

Curriculum Vitae

Musavir Ahmed NET, M.Phil., PhD, KAS

Professor & Head
Department of Linguistics
University of Kashmir
and
Media Adviser & Head
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Academic Qualifications

- **Ph. D in Linguistics** - Received Ph.D. on the topic Language-Culture Relationship: A Case Study of Kashmiri (Linguistic Anthropology) from the Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir in 2008.
(First PhD degree awarded by the Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir)
- **M.Phil. in Linguistics** - Received M.Phil. on the topic A Study of Persian Borrowings in Kashmiri from the Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir in 2003.
(First M. Phil degree awarded by the Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir)
- **NET in Linguistics** in 2000
(First Student from Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir to Qualify)
- **Masters in Linguistics** - Received MA in Linguistics with first division from the Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir in 2000
- **Bachelors in science** - completed B.Sc. with first division from SP College Srinagar in 1997

Teaching Experience

- Served as **Assistant Professor** from 2008-2013, **Assistant Professor Scale II** from 2013-2017, **Assistant Professor Scale III** from 2017-2020 in the Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir
- Served as Associate Professor from 22 May, 2020 to 21 May, 2023
- Serving as Professor from 22 May, 2023

Overseas Teaching Experience

- Served as Assistant Professor at **Jazan University, Saudi Arabia** for the Academic session 2013-14.
- Served as Associate Professor at **Taibah University, Al Madina, Saudi Arabia** for Academic Session 2018-19.

Achievements

- Qualified **Kashmir Administrative Services Examination (KAS) - 2007**
(Joined J&K Civil Services for a brief period)

Corporate Assignment

- Head, Department of Linguistics
- Media Advisor & Head, Public Relations Centre, University of Kashmir

Research Projects

Ongoing

- Principal Investigator Army sponsored major research project entitled **Protection Preservation and Promotion of Language and Culture of Gurez**, effective from 15th May, 2023

Completed

- Principal Investigator UGC sponsored major research project entitled **Description Documentation and Preservation of Shina - 2011-2013**
(First Grammar and writing script for Gurezi Shina has been developed under this project)

- Project Director ICSSR sponsored major research project entitled **Ethnolinguistic Vitality and Language Maintenance and Shift among various Minority Linguistic Groups in Kashmir and Ladakh – 2017-2020** (Likelihood survival of small ethnic groups and language maintenance and shift has been deciphered with final report along with recommendations sent to Funding agency)

Submitted

Documentation of Dard Culture of Gurez and Drass Valleys in J&K and Ladakh Union Territories (Submitted to ICSSR)

Published Work

Books

- Ahmed, Musavir. 2019. *A Descriptive Grammar of Gurezi Shina*. Texas: SIL International, University of Dallas
- Ahmed, Musavir (ed.). 2023. *Gurezi Shina Primer*. University of Kashmir and Snow Leopard Brigade of Indian Army.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2023. *Understanding Linguistic Borrowing: A Study with Reference to Persian Borrowing into Kashmiri*. New Delhi: Rajat Publications

Book Chapters

- Ahmed, Musavir. 2018. Cultural Underpinnings of Folklore with Glimpses from Kashmiri Proverbs. In A. M. Sheikh & R. S. Rangila (eds.) *Reflections on Science of Language*. New Delhi: Educational Publishing House, pp 139-169.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2014. Shina. In O. N. Koul (ed.) *People's Linguistic Survey of India. Vol: 12* (The Languages of Jammu and Kashmir). New Delhi: Orient Blackswan, pp 252-261
- Lone, Zahid Bashir and Ahmed, Musavir (2022). Ethnic Identity and Language Use Patterns Among Balti Speakers of Kargil: A Sociolinguistic Study. In S. K. Syam (ed.) *Tribal Culture, Language and Literature*. Thiruvananthapuram: Romanson Printing & Publishing House Pvt. Ltd.

Journal Articles

- Ahmed, Musavir. 2023. Impact of state indifference on ethnolinguistic vitality: A study on Baltis of Kargil in Jammu and Kashmir. *Journal of Language and Discrimination*, 7(1), 75–93. <https://doi.org/10.1558/jld.22024>
- Ahmed, M and Nazir, A. (2023). Gender, age and settlement related changes in vowel duration: A study with relation to Kashmiri. *Argentinian Journal of Applied Linguistics*, 11 (1), 98-106. <https://ajal.faapi.org.ar/ojs-3.3.0-5/index.php/AJAL/article/view/257/212>
- Ahmed, M., Nazir, A. 2023. Gender and Age-related Variability in Formant Frequency Range and Vowel Ellipsis in Kashmiri Language. *Dogo Rangsang Research Journal*, 13(3), 2: 172-185
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2023 Perceived Identity and Discrimination among Dards of Gurez in Kashmir. *Shodhasamhita*, IX (1), 3: 146-153.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2023. A Study of Language Use Patterns among Burushos of Srinagar in J&K. *Education and Society*, 46 (3) (26), 98-103.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2022. Language use patterns among Pashtuns of Gutlibagh in Kashmir. *Dogo Rangsang Research Journal*, 12(8) (7), 2347-7180
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2022. Structure, Distribution and Functions of Emphatic Marker in Kashmiri. *Aligarh Journal of Linguistics*, 11, pp 95-116.
- Dar, Y.R., Nazir, F., Ahmed, M. 2020. Acoustic Analysis of Vowels in Kashmiri Speaking Adolescents with Down Syndrome. *Journal of Applied Linguistics and Language Research*, 7 (3), pp 168-175.
- Nazir, A., Dar, Y. R., Lone, Z. B. and Ahmed, M. 2019. A Comparative Study of Formant Structures of Vowels in Kashmiri and Urdu. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, Volume 12, pp 73-85
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2018. Mystic expressions and Conceptual Metaphor: A view from Kashmir. *Aligarh Journal of Linguistics*, 7 (1), pp 81-93.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2017. A Description of Phrase Structure in Gurezi Shina. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, Volume 10, pp 73-84
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2017. A case for Mirativity and Mirative Markers in Kashmiri. *Xlinguae*, 9 (3), pp 163-175
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2016. A Study of Verb Morphology in Gurezi Shina. *Aligarh Journal of Linguistics*, 5 (1-2), pp 52-76.

- Ahmed, Musavir. 2016. Ethnicity, Identity and Group Vitality: A Study of Burushos of Srinagar. *Journal of Ethnic and Cultural Studies*, 3 (1) pp 1-10.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2016. A Descriptive Study of the Phonology of Gurezi Shina. *Acta Orientalia Academiae Scientiarum Hung*, 69 (1) pp 87 – 106.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2015. Morphology of Pronominals in Gurezi Shina. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, Volume 8, pp 61-69
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2015. A Study of Morphological Case in Gurezi Shina. *Acta Linguística*, 9 (1),
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2015. Communicative Strategies in Facebook Interaction: A Case Study of Kashmir University Students. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, 8, pp 261-270.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2014. A study of Pitch Accent in Gurezi Shina. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, 7, pp 262-274.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2014. Language use patterns and Ethnolinguistic vitality of Shina speaking Gurezi immigrants. *International Journal of Sociology of Language*, 230, pp 1 – 17
- Ahmed, M., Jan, T. R., Banday, M. T. 2014. ICT4ELT: A Study with Reference to Kashmir. *Procedia-Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 124, pp 414-421.
- Banday, M. T. Ahmed, M., Jan, T. R. 2014. Applications of e-Learning in Engineering Education: A Case Study. *Procedia-Social and Behavioral Sciences*, 123, 406-413.
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2013. A comparative note on Kashmiri and Shina Phonology. 2013. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, 5, pp 185-194
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2012. Language Attitudes and Borrowing: A Case Study of Legal Language in Kashmir. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, 4, pp 225-234
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2011. Communicative Relevance of Lexical Devices in Kashmiri News-media. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, 3, 213-222
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2009. Palatalization in Kashmiri: An Overview. *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics*, 2, 217-228
- Ahmed, Musavir. 2003. Diphthongs in Kashmiri Language: A Fresh Approach. *Bulletin of Deccan College*, 62-63, pp 65-75

Research Supervision

PhDs

- An Acoustic Study of Vowels in Kashmiri – Awarded

- Ethnolinguistic Vitality and Language Maintenance and Shift among Baltis of Kargil – Awarded
- Metaphor in Cognitive Linguistics: A study with reference to select works of Graham Greene – Awarded
- Language Impairment and Congenital Disorder: A Study of Kashmiri Individuals with Down Syndrome – ongoing
- Construction of Religious Identity among Adolescent Kashmiri girls – ongoing
- Acoustic Features of Speech among Kashmiri Speaking Smokers – ongoing

MA Dissertations

- A Study of Phonology of Kishtawari
- A Study of Phonology of Pahari spoken in Karnah
- A Study of Phonology of Gurezi Shina
- A Study of Newspaper Headlines on Covid-19 among select International, National and Local English Newspapers
- A Study of Phonology of Pashto spoken in Gutlibagh

Edited Work

- Book of Abstracts for International Webinar for International seminar on Current Trends in Linguistics on 10-11 January 2022 organized by Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir
- Book of Abstracts for International Webinar on Perspectives on Indigenous Minority Linguistic Groups: Issues, Challenges and Prospects on 26-27 August 2020, organized by Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir
- Associate Editor *Interdisciplinary Journal of Linguistics (IJL)*
- Book of Abstracts for National Conference on Current Trends in Linguistics with special reference to Kashmiri Language and Linguistics, 12-13 August 2015. Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir
- Executive Editor Kashmir University Annual Report -2009
- Executive Editor Kashmir University Annual Report -2010

Workshops/Orientation/Refresher Courses Conducted/Attended

- Coordinated two-week refresher course in Arts, Languages, Law and Humanities from 2nd to 15th February 2022 organized by UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, University of Kashmir
- Participated in one-day online workshop on Swachhta Action Plan on 27th July 2020 organized by Mahatma Gandhi National Council for Rural Education, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.
- Participated in five-day online Faculty Development Program on Mentoring and Facilitation Skills for Institutional Mentors from 27th to 31st May 2020 organized by Mahatma Gandhi National Council for Rural Education, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.
- Participated in one-week refresher course on Research Methodology, organized by Faculty of Science and Arts, Taibah University, Al Madina, Saudi Arabia.
- Participated in two-day National Workshop for Teachers Training and Sensitization Program on Human Rights on 29-30 March 2017 organized by School of Law, University of Kashmir
- Conceived and coordinated ten-day workshop on Standardization of Shina Script from 20 -29 March 2017 at Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir
- Attended three-week Special Winter School on Towards Excellence in Higher Education at UGC Human Resource Development Centre, University of Kashmir from 15 February - 08 March, 2017
- Attended 21-day Basic Level workshop on Manuscriptology and Paleography organized by National Mission for Manuscripts, New Delhi in collaboration with Department of Persian, University of Kashmir from 15 March - 04 April, 2013
- Attended 16-day workshop on Creation of Large-Scale Annotated Data for Kashmiri Language organized by Linguistic Data Consortium for Indian Languages (LDC-II) and Department of Linguistics University of Kashmir from 20 December - 04 January 2013
- Attended four-week General Orientation Course at UGC-Academic Staff College, University of Kashmir from 01 - 28 March, 2012
- Attended three-week Research Methodology Refresher Course at UGC-Academic Staff College, University of Kashmir from 10 - 31 January 2012
- Attended 12-day Orientation cum Training Program on Natural Language Processing organized by Linguistic Data Consortium on Indian Languages in

collaboration with Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir from 04 - 15 November 2011

Select Presented Work

- Paper presented on **Ethnic Identity and Language Use Patterns among Balti speakers of Kargil: A Sociolinguistic Study** in three-day National Seminar on Tribal Culture, Language and Literature organized by University of Kerala on 19-21 January 2022.
- Paper presented on **Ethnic Identity and Intergroup Discordance among Pashtuns of Kashmir** in two-day online international seminar on Current Trends in Linguistics on 10-11 January 2022 organized by Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir
- Paper presented on **Representation of Nature in Rishi Philosophy: Some lessons for Environmentalists** in one-day National Seminar on Contribution of Kashmiri Intellectuals to Indian Philosophy on 9th September 2021 organized by Centre for Central Asian Studies, University of Kashmir, and Indian Council of Philosophical Research.
- Paper presented on **Ethnolinguistic Vitality of Pashto Immigrants in Kashmir** in two-day International Webinar Perspectives on Indigenous Minority Linguistic Groups: Issues, Challenges and Prospects on 26-27 August 2020, organized by Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir
- Paper presented on the theme **Status of Minority Languages in J&K** in two-day National Round Table on Empowering Indian Languages organized by Kannada Development Authority, Bangalore on 8-9 February 2021.
- Paper presented on the theme **Subjective Vitality Perceptions among Adolescent Balti Speakers of Kargil** in 43rd International Conference of the Linguistic Society of India, organized by Central Institute of Indian Languages and Linguistic Society of India on - 21-23 December 2021
- Presented two papers on the themes **ELT in Saudi Arabia: Issues and Challenges and Role of Linguistics in Addressing 21st Century Challenges** in 2nd Scientific Meeting organized by Faculty of Science and Arts, Taibah University, Al Madina, Saudi Arabia on 6th and 7th of March, 2018.
- Paper presented on **A working Model for CALL based ELT in the Schools of J&k** in UGC-sponsored seminar on Electronic Devices, Systems, and Information

Security (SEEDS2017), organized by Department of Electronics and Instrumentation Technology, University of Kashmir

- Paper Presented on **Arbitrary Political Boundaries and Ethnolinguistic Vitality: A case of some Languages of Erstwhile Kashmir** at First Symposium on Ecolinguistics in China organized by South China Agricultural University, Guangzhou, China on Nov. 25-27, 2016
- Paper Presented on **A Study of Morphological Case in Gurezi Shina** at International Symposium on Verbs, Clauses and Constructions organized by University of La Rioja, Logrono, Spain on Oct 22-24, 2014.
- Paper presented on **A Comparative Study of Shina and Kashmiri** at 1st International Kashmir conference on Linguistics organized by University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Pakistan on May 16-17, May 2013
- Paper presented on **Ethnolinguistic Vitality of Shina Speaking Gurezi Immigrants** at International Conference on Voices from The Margin: Society, Culture and Exclusion organized by School of Languages, Central University of Jharkhand, Ranchi, India on 20-22, February, 2013.
- Paper presented on **Inclusion of ICT in ELT in India: Issues and Challenges** at Marrakech International ICT Conference organized by Moroccan Association of Teachers of English (MATE), IATEFL Learning Technologies SIG, and the British Council on 8-11 February 2012
- Paper presented on **Dominance of English on the Discourse on Kashmir Conflict** in three-day International Conference on Impact of Peace, Conflict, and Disturbances on Economic Development Processes organized by The Post Graduate Department of Economics, University of Kashmir, Srinagar in collaboration with Indian Economic Association (IEA) on 11th – 13th May 2012.

Invited Lectures

- Lecture delivered on Protection and Preservation of Minority Languages in 5th one-week training program for NSS program officers of J&K organized by Empaneled Training Institute, Program Coordinator, NSS University of Kashmir from 14th to 20th of March 2022.
- Lecture delivered on 8th Schedule to Indian Constitution in 4th one-week training program for NSS program officers of J&K organized by Empaneled Training Institute, Program Coordinator, NSS University of Kashmir from 14th to 20th of March 2022.

- Lecture delivered on Language Endangerment on 16th February 2022 in two-week refresher course in 8th Guru Dakshata Faculty Induction Program organized by UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, University of Kashmir
- Lecture delivered on Language and Beyond: Discourse and Power on 15th February 2022 in two-week refresher course in Arts, Languages, Law, and Humanities organized by UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, University of Kashmir
- Lecture delivered on Language Endangerment on 12th February 2022 in two-week refresher course in Arts, Languages, Law, and Humanities organized by UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, University of Kashmir
- Lecture delivered on Linguistic Minority Rights in 3rd one-week training program for NSS program officers of J&K organized by Empaneled Training Institute, Program Coordinator, NSS University of Kashmir from 10th to 16th of January 2022.
- Lecture delivered on Structure and Function of NSS in 2nd one-week training program for NSS program officers of J&K organized by Empaneled Training Institute, Program Coordinator, NSS University of Kashmir from 22nd to 28th of November 2021.
- Lecture delivered on Structure and Function of NSS in 1st one-week training program for NSS program officers of J&K organized by Empaneled Training Institute, Program Coordinator, NSS University of Kashmir from 8th to 14th of November 2021.
- Lecture delivered on Protection and Preservation of Minority Languages in 1st one-week training program for NSS program officers of J&K organized by Empaneled Training Institute, Program Coordinator, NSS University of Kashmir from 1st to 7th of March 2021.
- Lecture delivered on 8th Schedule of Indian Constitution in 2nd one-week training program for NSS program officers of J&K organized by Empaneled Training Institute, Program Coordinator, NSS University of Kashmir from 22nd to 28th of March 2021.
- 03 Lectures delivered on Human Language and Beyond, Metaphor, Language and Power in General Orientation Course in October-November 2016, organized by Institute of Advanced Studies in Education, M A Road, Srinagar

Membership

- Member, The Foundation of Endangered Languages, Berkshire, United Kingdom

- Member, Steering Group, International Ecolinguistics Association
- Member, Asia-Pacific Signal, and Information Processing Association
- Member, Board of Post-Graduate Studies in Linguistics, University of Kashmir
- Member, Board of Undergraduate Studies in English, University of Kashmir
- Member, Board of Post-Graduate Studies in Urdu, University of Kashmir

Corporate Roles

UT/State Level

- In-charge Kashmir Division for Mobilization of Volunteers, Training and Deployment for Assistance to the Administration in Covid-19 Management, Department of Higher Education, Government of J&K
- Member Division Level Plastic Waste Management Cell, Government of J&K

Institutional Level

- Program Coordinator, National Service Scheme (NSS), University of Kashmir
- Member Organizing Committee 19th Annual Convocation and Special Convocation 2021 (Received a certificate of appreciation from the University for the assignment)
- Member Organizing Committee Conference for Implementation of National Education Policy – 2020, organized by University of Kashmir at SKICC on 20th of September 2020.
- Program Coordinator, National Service Scheme (NSS), University of Kashmir
- Coordinator, Directorate of Physical Education and Sports, University of Kashmir
- Assistant Director, Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance (DIQA), University of Kashmir
- Proctor, Deputy Chief Proctor, University of Kashmir
- Associate NCC Officer, University of Kashmir
- Selector, Kashmir University Cricket Team

Departmental Level

- In-charge Examinations
- In-charge Admissions

- In-charge Fieldwork
- In-charge Departmental Maintenance
- In-charge Sports

Recent Newspaper Article

- Balti: Protecting the Language (Greater Kashmir, 30th January 2021)

Extra-curricular Activities

- Selector for Kashmir University Cricket Team – 2014, 2015, 2016
- Played for Kashmir University Cricket Team in the year 1999, 2000 and 2001
- Played for Kashmir University Football Team during the year 1999 and 2000