

- **Dr. Rita Malache**  
Associate Professor



**Dr. Rita Malache** is an Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Mumbai, with 16 years of experience at the post-graduate level. She holds a Ph.D. and has previously served as the Coordinator of the Department of Master of Social Work at the University of Mumbai (2022-2023). Her academic interests focus on tribal sociology, marginalized groups in India, NT-DNT communities, globalization, social movements, human rights of weaker sections, and gender issues. Throughout her career, she has supervised a few Ph.D. students, published 13 academic works, and presented at 25 conferences. Dr. Malache has completed both minor and major research projects sponsored by UGC and has organized several significant academic events, including national seminars on tribal issues and gender training workshops. Her contributions to academia have been recognized through various awards, including the National Smajratna Award, Fatima Shaik National Best Teacher award, and the Rashtriya Adivasi Samajratn Purskar. She maintains active membership in several professional organizations, including the All-India Sociological Society, Samajshashriy Parishad, and serves as an editor for the quarterly published Adivasi Journal "Godhan."

**Designation: Associate Professor Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai**  
**Former Coordinator (I.C), Department of Master of Social work (MSW), University of Mumbai (2022-2023)**

**Educational Qualifications:** B. A. 70% (April 2005), M.A. 69% (April 2007), SET (Feb 2007), NET (June 2007), Ph.D. (Jan 2017)

**Work Experience:** 16 Years at Post Graduation level [M.A].

Presently Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai, Since 5th Feb 2009.

Regular Lecturer in Sociology S. N. D. T. College of Arts and S. C. B. College of Commerce and Science for Women Mumbai 26th Nov 2007 to 30th June 2008.

Regular Lecturer in Sociology, Department of Sociology Shivaji University Vidyanagar, Kolhapur 1st July 2008 to 4th Feb 2009.

**Areas of Academic Interest:** Tribes in India, Tribal Sociology, Tribal Society and Tribal Women, NT–DNT Communities, Sociology of Marginalized Groups in India, Globalization and Social Movements, Human Rights of the Weaker Sections, Gender Issues.

**Supervision of Research Scholars:**

- PhD Students enrolled: 3 Students Admitted 1 Student completed the Degree

**Publications (just the total numbers):** 12 in Journal and 1 in edited Book

**Conference presentations (just the total numbers):** 25

**Projects Undertaken:** Completed 1 Minor Research Projects sponsored by- UGC-SAP Phase-III, Department of Sociology University of Mumbai

Completed 1 Major Research Project as Co-Director sponsored by IMPRESS UGC New Delhi from 2019- 2021.

**Organized Seminar// Conference/ Workshop:**

- Organized a national seminar on “Tribes in Transition: Issues and Challenges in the Era of Globalization” on January 19 – 20, 2017.
- Coordinated the Orientation Programme conducted by UGC Human Resource Development Centre, University of Mumbai, Duration February 1 to February 28, 2019 at the University of Mumbai.
- Coordinated the Gender Training Workshop on “Women, Marginalities and Representation” on Friday, August 26, 2016 and organised the second Prof. Irawati Karve Memorial Lecture on Thursday, January 16, 2020
- Coordinated the “Academic Writing Workshop” on Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> , 2023
- Worked as Organising Committee Member of 46th ISS Conference on “Constitution, Citizenship and Minorities: Mapping Seventy Years of Indian Republic” Organized by Department of Sociology University of Mumbai on 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021.
- Coordinated the International Women’s Day organised lecture on “Embracing Gender Equity in Digital Media on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- Organized a national Conference on “Making in Indigenous Entrepreneurs: Tribal Women and Entrepreneurship in India’ on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**Awards, Research Fellowships, Prizes:**

- **Fellowship awarded by UGC-FIP** (from 27<sup>th</sup> June 2014 to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2016)
- At the Occasion of International Flute Player late. Pandit Niranjan Prasad Memories Honored as “**National Smajratna Award**” by Niranjaan Dhara Institute Lakhnow and Shivshahi Foundation, Bharat, on Dec. 2021.
- On the memorable Day of Mahatma Jotiba Phule awarded by “**Fatima Shaik National Best Teacher**” award by Mukta Foundation Maharashtra on 28<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022.
- Awarded **Rashtriya Adivasi Samajratn Puskar 2023** by All India Adivasi Employees Federation Branch Nagpur Maharashtra.

**Membership of associations:**

- **Life Member** of All Indian Sociological Society **LMI-3557** from **2013**.
- **Life Member** of Samajshashriy Parishad. **Registration No. 1063** from **2017**
- **Life Member** of North-west Indian Sociological Association (NWISA) **LM-56** from 2022.
- **Five Year Member** of RC 7 Committee Rural Peasant and Tribal Communities **RC No: 07- 18-2217**.

- **Five Year Member** of RC 8 Social Stratification, Professions and Social Mobility **RC No: 08-18-2223**
- **Member of Editor** of Quarterly Published **Adiwasi Journal “Godhan”** Published New Ege Printing Press, Mumbai from **2016**.
- **Co-opted Executive Member** of UMASA from **18<sup>th</sup> April 2019** onwards.
- **Elected as Executive Member** of UMASA from **18<sup>th</sup> April 2022** onwards.
- **Life membership** of Mumbai University Employees **Gymkhana from 18<sup>th</sup> January 2020** Onwards