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Faculty Members in Different Committees (State/National/ International/ University/

Editorial Board: Dr. Benjamina Darlong (Member, Interface, NEWF Tripura Chapter)

Faculty Members in Different Committees in the College:

- Head of Department, Department of English, MMD College
- Joint Convener, Admission Committee
- Convener, Magazine Committee
- Convener, IQAC (Infrastructural Values and Best Practices)

Seminar & Webinar:

- Participated at National Seminar on Dimension of Language Endangerment in Tripura, Tribal Research Institute, Govt. of Tripura.
- Two day International Seminar on Social Inequality and Literature, Dept. of Bengali, Tripura University. (Title: Cultural Isolation and Literature: A Study of Zo-Hnathla (Zo mi) Nomenclature with Special Reference to the Darlong Oral Tradition)
- An ICSSR Sponsored National Seminar on Dr. Ambedkar and Social Justice, Dept. of History, Longtharai Valley Govt. Degree College. (Title: Dr. Ambedkar and Women

Emancipation: A Study on Applicability and Impracticability of Dr. Ambedkar's Philosophy in the Darlong Ethnicity – a schedule tribe community of Tripura)

- A Seminar of National and Global Significance organised by NECOL Sahitya Akademi on The Silence of Dying Voices, Dept. of English, Tripura University. (Title: Lore of the Ethno-Music and Songs: Memory as Tool in the Renaissance of the Darlong Folk Music and Songs)
- National Seminar on Imaging and Imagining the North-East: Discourse on North-Eastern Literature, Culture, Creativity and Criticism, Dept. of English, Tripura University. (Title: Folk of the North-East: Debating the Portrayal of Female Characters in the Darlong Oral Narratives)
- UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Folklore and Tribal Studies in Eastern and North-East India: Perspective and Present Status, Dept. of Folklore, University of Kalyani, West Bengal. (Title: Bûkpui, an Institutional House for the Darlong: Tracing the Elements of the Darlong Ethnicity as Imaged and Imagined in the Bûkpui Age).
- Cultural Heritage of Tripura, Dept. of English, Tripura University. (Title: The Shape and Appearance of Darlong Heritage: An Analysis of the Dynamics that Demonstrates Necessity of Change in the Darlong Tribe)
- National Seminar on Contemporary Research and Emerging Issues of Northeast India: An Anthropology and Beyond, RGU, Arunachal Pradesh. (Title: The Darlong Oral Literature: Oral narratives as an informative construct in the re-construction of Darlong ethnic history)
- Children Literature: Addressing the Role of Folktales, Dept. of English, Maharaja Bir Bikram University, Agartala, Tripura. (Title: Folklore and Women: Oral Narratives as a Pre-position Mechanism in 'Negativisation' and 'Typicalisation' of Women Characters in the Contemporary Darlong Society)
- National Webinar on Environmental Ethics jointly organized by Department of Philosophy, Tripura university & Department of Philosophy, AMBSM on 29th Sept. 2022
- One Day Seminar on Enhancing Trade and Development with Asian Countries: Tripura as Gateway, Department of Economics & IQAC, Michael Madhusudan Dutta College on 14th February 2023.

Publication:

- UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Folklore and Tribal Studies in Eastern and North-East India: Perspective and Present Status, Dept. of Folklore, University of Kalyani, West Bengal. The paper was also published in their monthly journal viz. Lokhdarpan namely, 'BUKPUI', an institutional house for the Darlongs: Tracing the lost elements of the Darlong ethnicity as imaged and imagined in the 'Bukpui' age.
- Board of The International Journal of Humanities and Social Studies. ISSN 2321 – 9203. Title: The Darlong Folk Literature: A Study on Deification of Characters in the Oral Narratives of the Darlong people during the Pre-Christianisation Period.
- Board of The International Journal of Humanities and Social Studies. ISSN 2321 – 9203. Title: Folk Behaviour of the Darlong: Investigating the Buried Tradition of the Darlong Ethnicity from the Eye of Bûkpu, a Traditional Institute of the Tribe.
- The Board of Journal of International Academic Research for Multidisciplinary (JIARM). ISSN 2320 – 5083. Title: The Darlong Folk Literature: Portrayal of the Female Folk in the Oral Traditions of the Darlong resulting in the Construction of Phalocentric Perspective in the Tribe's Contemporary Society.
- The Board of Journal of International Academic Research for Multidisciplinary (JIARM). ISSN 2320 – 5083. Title: Life after Dead in the Darlong, a Scheduled Tribe Community of Tripura: An Account of Magic-Realism Construct on the Journey of the Dead Souls.
- Chitrolekha International Magazine on Art and Design, ISSN 2231 - 4822. Vol.5, Number. 1. 2015. Title: Sacred Groves: A Study of the Religious Beliefs of the Darlong Community in Tripura.
- Rupkatha Journal on Interdisciplinary Studies in Humanities. ISSN No. 0975-2935. Vol. 4. Number 2, 2014. (Title: Literature of the North East India: Oral Narratives as a Documents for the Study of Ritualization in Darlong Community of Tripura)
- Shodhsamhita, UGC Care Group I Journal. ISSN No. 2277-7067. (Title: The Darlong Oral tradition: Oral Narratives as an Informative Construct in the Re-Construction of Darlong Ethnic History)

Other Contributions:

- Participated in Two Days Workshop on Implementation of New Education Policy 2020' organized by Tripura University, 21st -22nd February 2022.
- Contributed a translation of Darlong folktales, 'The Adventures of Surbala', in Interface Journal, 2nd Issue, Print. North East Writers' Forum Tripura Chapter.
- Translation of Darlong poetry in 'the messenger' (title – Ancestors' Second Childhood), Tipra Academician Forum's e-newsletter. Volume I, Issue I, August 2022.
- Participated in One Day Workshop on 'New Education Policy 2020' on 20th September 2022, organized by UGC - Human Resource Development Centre, University of Allahabad, India.
- Participated in ICPR sponsored One Day Periodical Lecture on Edmund Husserl's Phenomenology and the Inter-subjective Ideal of Meaning, Department of Philosophy, Michael Madhusudan Dutta College on 10th January 2023.
- Participated in IP Awareness/Training program under Intellectual Property Office, Govt. of India, Ministry of Commerce and Industry on 3rd Feb. 2023.
- Participated in One Day Workshop on Sanskrit Spoken Skill organized by IQAC & Department of Sanskrit, Michael Madhusudan Dutta College on 7th February 2023.