

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### **Academic Record**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Degree</u>
1984	Centre for Historical Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University.	Ph.D.
1977	CHS, SSS, Jawaharlal Nehru University.  Thesis Entitled: Conditions of Labour in Assam Valley Tea Plantations, 1900-1930	M. Phil,
1972	University of Delhi,	M.A History

### **Work Experience**

Teaching 42 years (since 1972- 2014)

Designation Associate Professor, Department of History, Deshbandhu  
College, (University of Delhi), Kalkaji, Delhi-110092

June 2014 Retired

### **Visiting Professor, USA**

Cornell University, South Asian Studies Programme Spring 1997  
Course on Economic and Environmental History of South  
Asia during Colonial Rule

Syracuse University, Department of History Spring 1997.  
History of South Asia under colonial rule.

Department of History, Oberlin College, Ohio Spring 1995.  
Three Courses on Modern South Asian History

Syracuse University, Department of History Spring 1994  
Two Courses on Modern South Asian History

## **Academic and Research experience**

- May – June 2018 Fellow, Centre for Development Studies, Geographic Sciences, Free University, Berlin, Germany.
- June- July 2017 Fellow, Centre for Development Studies, Geographic Sciences, Free University, Berlin, Germany
- June-August 2016 Fellow, Centre for Development Studies, Geographic Sciences, Free University, Berlin, Germany
- June-July 2015 Fellow, Centre for Development Studies, Geographic Sciences, Free University, Berlin, Germany
- January- July 2013 Fellow, Crossroad Asia Program, Centre for Development Studies, Geographic Sciences, Free University, Berlin, Germany.
- July-September 2011, Fellow, International Research Centre, ‘Work and Human Life Cycle in Global History, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany
- October 2009-September 2010 Fellow, International Research Centre, ‘Work and Human Life Cycle in Global History, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany
- May-August 2005 L.M. Singhvi Visiting Fellow, Centre of South Asian Studies, Cambridge University, UK. Was elected as Fellow of Wolfson College, University of Cambridge, UK.
- 1983-1986 Post-Doctoral fellowship of the Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, (NMML) New Delhi. Worked on a research project entitled: The Culture of Displacement: A Study of Refugees from West Pakistan in Delhi, Post 1947.
- 1977-1979, Ph.D Fellowship, Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi.

## Publications

1. Rana P. Behal, "Forms of Labour Protest in the Assam Valley Tea Plantations 1900-1947, *The Calcutta Historical Journal*, Vol. IX, No.1, July-December 1984.
2. Rana P. Behal, "Forms of Labour Protest in the Assam Valley Tea Plantations, 1900-1930, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol XX, No.4, Review of Political Economy, January, 1985.
3. Rana P. Behal, *The Emergence of a Plantation Economy: Assam Tea Industry in the Nineteenth Century*, Occasional Papers on History and Society, No. XXI, Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, New Delhi, 1985.
5. Rana P. Behal & P. Mahapatra, 'Tea and Money versus Human Life: The Rise and Fall of the Indenture system in the Assam Tea Plantations, 1980-1908', in E. Valentine Daniel, Henry Bernstein and Tom Brass. Ed. *Plantations, Peasants and proletarians in Colonial Asia*, Frank Cass, London, 1992. (This Paper also appeared in a Special Issue on Plantation, Peasants and Proletarians in Colonial Asia, in the *Journal of Peasant Studies*, Vol 19, Nos. 3 &4, 1992.
6. Rana P. Behal, 'Wage Structure and Labour: Assam Valley Tea Plantations, 1900-47' Integrated Labour History Research Program, V.V.Giri National Labour Institute, Noida, 2003.
7. Rana P. Behal, 'Power Structure, Discipline and Labour in Assam Tea Plantations in Assam Tea Plantations Under Colonial Rule', in Rana P. Behal and Marcel van der Linden (ed), *Coolies, Capital, and Colonialism: Studies in Indian Labour History*, Supplement 14, *International Review of Social History*, December, 2006, Cambridge University Press, UK, pp.143-172.
8. Rana P. Behal and Marcel van der Linden (ed.), *India's Labouring Poor: Historical Studies c.1600-c.2000*, Foundation Books, New Delhi, 2007.
9. Rana P. Behal, 'Estrutura de poder, disciplina e trabalho nas plantacoes de cha em Assam, sob dominio colonial' in *Mundos do Trabalho*, vol. 2, No. 3 (2010), pp. 12-46, Portuguese Translation.
10. Rana P. Behal, 'Coolie Drivers or Benevolent Paternalists? British Tea Planters in Assam and Indenture Labour System in Assam', *Modern Asian Studies* 44, 1, 2010, pp. 29-51.
11. Rana P. Behal, Chitra Joshi and Prabhu P. Mohapatra, 'India' in Joan Allen, Alan Campbell and John McIlroy (ed.), *Histories of Labour: National and International Perspectives* (Merlin Press: UK, 2010), pp. 290-314.

12. Rana P. Behal, 'Changing Paradigms of South Asian Labour Historiography' in Marcel van der Linden (ed.), *Labour History Beyond Borders: Concepts and Explorations*, ITH Conference Proceedings, Vol. 44 (Leipzig: Akademische Verlagsanstalt, 2010).
13. Rana Behal, Alice Mah and Babacar Fall (ed), *Rethinking Work: Global Historical and Sociological Perspectives*, Tulika, New Delhi, 2011.
14. Rana P. Behal, 'Boundaries and Shifting Forms of Resistance: Labour in Assam Tea Plantations During Colonial Rule' in Herausgegeben von Elisabeth Hermann-Otto, unter Mitarbeit von, Marcel Simonis und Alexander Trefz (ed.) *Sklaverei und Zwangsarbeit zwischen Akzeptanz und Widerstand (Georg Olms Verlag Hildesheim: Zurich, 1911)*. German Translation.
15. Rana P. Behal, 'Coolies, Recruiters and Planters: Migration of Indian Labour to the Southeast Asian and Assam Plantations during Colonial Rule' Crossroads Asia Working Paper Series, Bonn, Germany, No. 9, 2013.
16. Rana P. Behal, 'Transporting and Transforming Agrarian Communities- Indian Immigrant Labourers in South-East Asian and Assam Plantations under the British Imperial System', in Henryk Alff and Andreas Benz (ed.) *Tracing Connections: Explorations of Spaces and Places in Asian Context* (WVB: Berlin, 2014).
17. Rana P Behal, *One Hundred Years of Servitude: Political Economy of Tea Plantations in Colonial Assam*, (New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2014).
18. Sabyasachi Bhattacharya and Rana P. Behal (ed), *The Vernacularization of Labour Politics* (New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2016).
19. Rana P. Behal, 'South Asia' in Marcel van der Linden and Karin Hofmeester (eds.), *Handbook: The Global History of Work* (Walter de Gruyter: Munich, 2018).
20. Rana P. Behal, Chitra Joshi and Prabhu P Mohapatra, 'Dialogues Across Borders: Marcel van der Linden and the AILH, in Karl Heinz Roth (ed.), "On the road to global labour history"- A, *Festschrift for Marcel van der Linden* (Leiden: Brill, 2018).
21. Rana Behal, 'Det informella arbetets värld i Indien', *Arbetshistoria*, 165-166 (2018: 1-2), p 17-38. Swedish Translation.

## **Languages**

Fluent in English, Hindi, Assamese and Punjabi

Working knowledge in Urdu and Bengali speaking.

## **Membership of Professional Academic Bodies, Societies etc:**

I am a member of Indian History Congress since 1975.

I am a founder member of the Association of Indian Labour Historians and its elected Treasure since January, 1997. I have been actively involved in organising Twelve AILH international conferences on Indian Labour History between March, 1998, March, 2000, March, 2002, March, 2004, November 2005, November 2006, March 2008, March 2010, March 2012, March 2014, March 2016 and March 2018.

I am the Indian Co-ordinator of TM 2 Labour Module of M.S. Merion- R. Tagore International Centre of Advanced Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences [ICAS:MP] from its inception.