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Level of Teaching	:	Undergraduate and Postgraduate
Academic Qualification	:	M.A.,
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Research Papers Published:

- 1) Abedi Dunia, O., Eriksson Baaz, M., **Maria Toppo, A. O.**, Parashar, S., Utas, M., & Vincent, J. B. (2023). **Visibilising hidden realities and uncertainties: the 'post-covid' move towards decolonized and ethical field research practices**, *International Journal of Social Research Methodology*, Vol. 26(5), Pg. 549-564. [\[Review\]](#)
- 2) Minz, N. and **Toppo, A.O.M.** (2021) '**Jani Shikar: The Powerful History Of Adivasi Women Warriors**', *Feminism in India*, Online Edition [\[Review\]](#)
- 3) **Toppo, A.O.M** et al. (2020) '**The COVID-19 Opportunity: Creating More Ethical and Sustainable Research Practices**', *Social Science Research Council*, Online Edition [\[Review\]](#)
- 4) **Toppo, A.O.M.** (2018) '**Jani Shikar and its Contemporary Relevance**', *Journal of Adivasi and Indigenous Studies*, Vol. 8, No. 1. Pgs. 16-28. [\[Review\]](#)
- 5) (Op-eds) **Toppo, A.O.M.** (2018) '**Vishwa ki kuch charcchit Adivasi Lekhikayein**', *Jharkhandi Bhasa Sahitya Sanskriti Akhra*, Hindi Print Journal.
- 6) (Op-eds) Parashar, S. and **Toppo, A.O.M.** (2018) '**Patthalgarhi Challenges the Republic in its own backyard**', *The Indian Express*, Online Edition [\[Review\]](#)

- 7) **Toppo, A.O.M. (2017) 'Revisiting Linguistic Uprising in Tamil Nadu (1947-1967), with special reference to Madras', *Journal of Historical Research*, Vol. 55, Department of History, Ranchi University.**

Participation in UGC-HRDC Course/FDP/OC/RC:

- 1) Participated in Faculty Induction Programme, organized by Teaching and Learning Centre Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, under the aegis of Ministry of Human Resource Development Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National mission on Teachers and Teaching from 1st Sep to 30th Sep 2020.
- 2) Participated in online FDP on **Emerging Tools and Trends in Contemporary Research**, Organized by Department of Sociology N.A.S (PG) College Meerut, Research Foundation (International) New Delhi, International Roma Cultural University (Serbia-India), ASDF International, London, United Kingdom from July 17th 2020- July 23rd 2020.
- 3) Participated in online FDP on **"Multimedia Tools for Teaching and Learning"** from 22nd-28th July 2021 organized by Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi in collaboration with Sree Narayana College, Nattika, Kerala under the aegis of Ministry of Education, Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching.
- 4) Participated in Refresher Course in **Forecasting Social Unrest Clio dynamics**, organized by University Grants Commission, Malviya Mission Teacher Training Centre, Ranchi University, Ranchi from 7/12/2023 to 20/12/2023.

Seminar/Conference attended/Paper Presented (National/International):

- 1) Presented a paper titled **'Systematically Silenced and Non-Recognized'** at Nordev International Conference, Uppsala University, Sweden. (August, 2023)
- 2) Presented a paper titled **'The Changing Construct of Adivasi Identity in Indian Context'**, at the conference Science, Humanism and the Making of Modern India at Indian Museum Kolkata on 9-10 January 2023 organized by Centre for World Environment History, University of Sussex.
- 3) presented a paper titled **'Indigenous (Adivasi) Identity Assertion through ages'** on the occasion of "Jharkhand Janjatiya Mahotsav, 2022", Dr. Ramdayal Munda Tribal Welfare Research Institute, Ranchi (9th- 10th August, 2022)
- 4) Presented a paper titled **"Encountering Social Ecology in Adivasi Worldview"** Held on 14-16 Nov 2022, in International Conference on Environment,

Forestry and Sustainable Agriculture organized by Department of Botany, St Xavier's College, Ranchi and International Academy of Science and Research Kolkata.

- 5) Presented a paper titled '**Land, labour and Activism: Re-visiting Gender Questions amongst Adivasis (Indigenous population) in India**' at EADI ISS 2021 conference (8th July 2021)
- 6) Presented a paper titled '**Sardari and Birsaite Movement**' at Ram Dayal Munda Tribal Research Institute, Government of Jharkhand (16th November 2021)
- 7) Participated in UGC- STRIDE Component sponsored webinar '**Understanding Tribal Religion and Culture: with Special Reference to Jharkhand**' held on 3rd and 4th June 2020 organised by Amity University and Nirmala College Ranchi.
- 8) Organized a webinar '**Educational Transition during COVID-19 Pandemic: Opportunities and Challenges of Online Education**' held on 2nd July 2020, St Xavier's College Ranchi
- 9) Presented a paper titled '**Undoing development in an indigenous way: A case study from Jharkhand, India**' at a conference on Rethinking Development at School of Global Studies, Gothenburg, Sweden (23rd August 2018)
- 10) Presented a paper on '**The struggle of Phulo, Jhano**' at a state level seminar on the struggle of Freedom fighters of Jharkhand (December 2018)
- 11) Presented a paper titled '**Against Patriarchy: Jani Shikar and its contemporary Relevance**' at Nirmala College, Ranchi (November 2016)
- 12) Presented a paper titled '**Linguistic Uprising in Tamil Nadu (1947-67)**' at Loyola College, Chennai (March 2011).
- 13) Presented a paper on '**Chennai city**' at Stella Maris College, organised by the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage, Chennai (August 2009).

Research Projects:

- 1) Research Partner, Uppsala University, Sweden, January 2024- Presently Engaged in research project, titled '**Silencing and Marginalization of Facilitating Researchers from the Global South: Analysing the role of Academic Institutions and Norms**', funded by the Swedish Research Council.
- 2) Project Collaborator, ISS, The Hague June 2022 – Present Jointly applied to the mini-Research Innovation Facility (RIF) fund at the International Institute of Social Studies (ISS), for a project on '**Decolonizing history writing through**

Cartoons: of making Indigenous Heroes and Indigenous Stories' Was awarded the mini-RIF fund.

- 3) Co-Investigator, Tribal Research Institute (TRI), Jharkhand April 2018 - 2022 Engaged in research project on '**Santal Hul**' at TRI. Explored the archival resources in State Archives of West Bengal, Kolkata, Government Record Room, Ranchi, and State Archives in Ranchi. Also, conducted an extensive review of secondary literature on the topic.
- 4) Research Partner, University of Gothenburg, Sweden, June 2019 - May 2022 Engaged in research project, titled '**Exploring the research backstage: Methodological, theoretical and ethical issues surrounding the role of local research brokers in insecure zones**', funded by the Swedish Research Council.

Book Authored/Chapter Contribution in Book:

- 1) Dunia, O. A., **Toppo, A. O. M.** & Vincent, J., (2023), **Facilitating Researchers in Insecure Zones**, London, Bloomsbury Academic, ISBN 97813502-6565-3.
- 2) **Toppo, A.O.M.** (2022) '**A Historical Overview of Global Pandemics**', in Dass, L.P. Lessons from History, New Delhi: Manak Publishers
- 3) **Toppo, A.O.M.** and Parashar, S. (2019) '**Silence and Indigenous Women's Resistance: Jani Shikar among the Adivasis of Jharkhand**', in Parpart, J.L. and Parashar, S. (eds.) Rethinking Silence, Voice and Agency in Contested Gendered Terrains, New York: Routledge [\[Review\]](#)

Guest Lecture/Special Lecture Delivered:

- 1) Invited as **Panellists in Conference** organised by Lohia Research Foundation and the University Department of History, Ranchi University, Ranchi at Audrey House on 16th-17th December 2023.
- 2) Delivered a lecture on '**Silence and Indigenous Women's Resistance : Jani Shikar among the Adivasis of Jharkhand**', organised by the Women's Studies Center and the Indian Association for women's studies, on 26th November 2023.

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