Department of
Anthropology
University of Delhi

1. Major Activities and Achievements:
QS ranking: Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi, featured in top 100 in QS global ranking 2019; the only department from University of Delhi, and the only Anthropology department from India.

2. Honours / Distinctions:
- **Prof. PC Joshi** received Lifetime Achievement Award from Department of Anthropology, Panjab University, Chandigarh. 28th February, 2019.
- **Prof. P. C. Joshi** delivered Third Prof. S. C. Dube memorial lecture at Dr. Hari Singh Gaur University, Sagar, M.P. on July 15, 2018.
- **Prof. PC Joshi** delivered 1st Prof. S.R.K. Chopra memorial lecture at Department of Anthropology, Panjab University, Chandigarh. 28th February, 2019.
- **Prof. P. C. Joshi** was nominated University Grant Commission’s SAP-DRS-1 Advisory Committee Member, Department of Anthropology, Central University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, w.e.f. 01-04-2018 to 31-03-2023.
- **Prof. P. C. Joshi** was nominated as Member, Board of Studies, RSC Center for West Himalayan Cultures, Islamic University of Science and Technology, Awantipora, Kashmir(2018-2020).
- **Dr.K.N.Saraswathy** has been felicitated for contribution in the field of Education by the Government of Andhra Pradesh in association with Telugu Employees Welfare Association, Delhi on International Women’s day 8th March, 2019

3. Publications:

**Books:**
Articles:


• **Kaur, L., Garg, P. R., Ghosh, P. K., & Saraswathy, K. N.** (2018). Impaired Homocysteine Metabolism Associated with High Plasma Interleukin-17A Levels, a Pro-Atherogenic Marker, in an Endogamous Population of North India. Ethnicity & disease, 28(4), 525-530


- Saini S, Sachdeva MP and Gupta V. Relationship between Obesity and Type 2 diabetes Mellitus. Asian Man, 2018, 12(2):196-202


- Saraswathy, K. N., Joshi, S., Yadav, S., & Garg, P. R. 2018. Metabolic distress in lipid & one carbon metabolic pathway through low vitamin B-12: a population based study from North India. Lipids in health and disease, 17(1), 96.


anxiety disorder: A cross-sectional study among Bhil indigenous population of India. Clinical Nutrition ESPEN.


**MOOC modules:**

- Zhimo, Avitoli G. 2018. Visual Anthropology. MOOC module, SWAYAM (NRC MHRD), GOI
- Zhimo, Avitoli G. 2018. Theories of Globalization. MOOC module, SWAYAM (NRC MHRD), GOI
Journals: Editorial Board Members

Research Projects:

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<td>Determinant of Suicidal behavior, A study from Telangana state, India</td>
<td>Dr.K.N.Saraswathy</td>
<td>ICSSR</td>
<td>1/06/2018 to 31/12/2018</td>
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<td>Psychosocial and biological determinants of cardiovascular disease: A study among Bhils and Meenas of Rajasthan</td>
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<td>Anthropological Study of High Risk Community Lohanas of Gujarat for Beta Thalassemia: Genetic Heterogeneity and Origin of 619bp deletion Mutation</td>
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<td>Longitudinal Assessment of metabolomic changes during pregnancy on fetal growth</td>
<td>Dr. Vipin Gupta</td>
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<td>Genome-wide investigation of body fat distribution among the women population of Andhra Pradesh.</td>
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Patents filed/Granted: NIL

Seminars organized:

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<td>National Seminar on “Globalization of Indian Tribes: Past, Present, and Future Dynamics”</td>
<td>26th October 2018</td>
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<td>DU DST PURSE grant</td>
<td>Prof. Papa A. Rao, Prof. Falguni Chakrabarty, Dr. J.S. Sehrawat</td>
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<td>One day National seminar on “Health”</td>
<td>15th March, 2019</td>
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<td>Research Council, University of Delhi</td>
<td>Dr.S.C.Rao, Senior Adviser, Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology</td>
<td>Chief Guest</td>
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### Policy Research: Current scenario”

- Prof. M.S. Bhatia, Department of Psychiatry, University college of medical sciences
- Dr. Sunita Reddy, JNU
- Dr. Gautam Kumar Singh, GNCTD
- Prof. Subir Kumar Maulik, AIIMS
- Dr. Rabi Bhushan, NIHF W
- Prof. P.C. Joshi
- Prof. R.K. Chadda, AIIMS
- Prof. Avanish Kumar, MDI
- Dr. Rajmohan Panda, PHFI

**Guest of Honour**

- Paradigm shift in health care policies: A case of medical tourism
- Reproductive maternal Neonatal Child & Adolescent Health (RMNCH+A) program
- Integration of traditional medicines with conventional medicines: need of the hour in India
- Challenges in primary health care
- National health policies and indigenous medical systems
- Mental health: concepts and challenges
- Policy responses to social and spatial exclusion
- Evidence based policy: A case for the Indian health sector

### Popular seminar “Celebrating International Women’s Day”

- **Date:** 8th March 2019
- **Total:** 50
- **Attendees:** Students and research Scholars

### Popular seminar “Imagining Northeast”

- **Date:** 29th March 2019
- **Total:** 40
- **Attendees:** Students and research Scholars

### Special Lectures:

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<td>Isabelle Lange</td>
<td>Using layered ethnographic methods in clinical settings: the precarity of health workers in private maternal facilities in Rajasthan</td>
<td>15th November 2019</td>
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<td>Prof. P.C. Joshi</td>
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<td>Dr. Alison Louise Kahn</td>
<td>Ethnographic Filmmaking in Anthropology</td>
<td>18th January 2019</td>
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Program, Oxford various DU colleges, & departments attended

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<td>Dr. Lalit Kumar, Former Adviser, Planning Commission</td>
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<td>Dr. R.P. Mitra</td>
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<td>Dr. Kumkum Srivastava, Associate Professor (Ex.) of History, Janki Devi College, University of Delhi</td>
<td>Researching the ‘OTHER’. Experiences from the Field</td>
<td>26th April 2019</td>
<td>Prof. P.C. Joshi</td>
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Conferences organized

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<td>Research Methodology Course “Participatory Digital Methodologies and Ethnographic Filmmaking”</td>
<td>14-24 January 2019</td>
<td>ICSSR</td>
<td>Prof. P.C. Joshi Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo</td>
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Seminars/Conference Presentations (National /International):

International

Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo presented a paper “Indo-Pacific Beads of the Kachin of Myanmar and the Nagas of North East India: Significance and Mystery” at the International Conference on *Northeast India and Southeast Asia: Exploring Continuities* held from 25-26 October 2018, at Ambedkar University Delhi.

Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo presented a paper during International Conference on *Materiality and Visuality in North East India* held from 28th February 2019 to 1st March 2019. She spoke on “We were the Others: Visuality in Colonial Writings”.

**National**

Dr. K.N. Saraswathy delivered Invitee Lecture at 106th *Indian Science Congress* under the section of *Anthropological and Behavioral Science* on the topic, “Relevance of Anthropology in Health through Epigenetics”.

Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo presented a paper on ‘Traditional Healing Practices among the Zeme: Reflections on challenges from the field” at a workshop on *Traditional knowledge system and Indigenous Healing Practice in North East India* held on 17 October 2018 at IGNCA.

Dr. Vipin Gupta presented a paper on “Landscape of Life-course Epidemiology in India”. INCAA, Pune, February 2019.

Dr. Vipin Gupta presented poster on “Gestational Route to Healthy Birth”. Wellcome Trust/DBT India Alliance Annual Meeting 2018, New Delhi. [Poster presentation]

**National/International MoUs signed:** NIL

**Other Inter-Institutional Collaboration:**

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<td>University of Bologna, Italy</td>
<td>International Workshop Building Intercultural Competency: Perspectives from India and Italy</td>
<td>20th September, 2018</td>
<td>Prof. Vincenzo Matera, Dipartimento di beniculturali Università di Bologna; Prof. Stefano Caldirola, Asian History University of Bergamo; Prof. S.M. Patnaik, Vice Chancellor, Utkal University</td>
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<td>Maximillian Apel</td>
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<td>Whitney Russell</td>
<td>University of California, San Diego, USA</td>
<td>January to October 2018</td>
<td>Fulbright-Nehru Research Scholar</td>
<td>Gender and Development</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Laura Murray</td>
<td>University of New York, USA</td>
<td>October 2018 to October 2019</td>
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<td>Sacred Cows: Science, Politics, and Ecology in Developmental North India</td>
<td>Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo</td>
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<td>Nina Baum</td>
<td>Freie Universität Berlin, Germany</td>
<td>January to May 2019</td>
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**Placement Details (Number and Percentage of students placed):** NA

**Extension and Outreach activities:**

Prof. P. C. Joshi delivered University Extension Lecture at J.N. Medical College, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh on September 1, 2018.

Prof. P. C. Joshi delivered Guest Lecture at the Ibn Sina Academy of Medieval Medicine and Science, Aligarh. The Lecture was chaired by Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman padma Shree and Presided over by Prof. Asim Ali Khan, Director General Central Council of Research in Unani Medicines. September 1, 2018.

Prof. P. C. Joshi was the Chief Guest of the National Seminar on “Anthropology in the 21st Century: Emerging Areas of Research and Its Role in National Development” at Department of Anthropology, Assam University, Diphu, Karbi Anglong, Assam, 12nd February, 2019.

Prof. P. C. Joshi was invited to chair Prof. Iravati Karve Memorial Oration at INCAA Anthropological Congress at Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. 23rd February, 2019.

Prof. P. C. Joshi was invited to deliver 1st Prof. S.R.K. Chopra memorial lecture at Department of Anthropology, Panjab University, Chandigarh. 28th February, 2019.

Prof. P. C. Joshi delivered a lecture on Ethnography in the Anthropological Survey of India funded Workshop on Research Methodology at the School of Liberal Studies, Ambedkar University, New Delhi on 11th March, 2019.

Prof. P. C. Joshi delivered a lecture on Field Research in the ICSSR funded Research Methodology Workshop in the Department of Anthropology. Mahatma Gandhi International Hindi University, Wardha 14th March, 2019.

Prof. Gautam K. Kshatriya was Visiting Professor to the Department of Anthropology Utkal University Bhubaneswar, Centre of Advance Study (UGC-CAS-II) from 7th to 16th March 2019.
Prof. Gautam K. Kshatriya delivered lecture on “Metabolic risk factors among Indian adolescents” in the Research seminar of PG Department of Anthropology, Utkal University, March 14, 2019.

Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo was invited to address the north east students of Miranda House on the topic: “Representations of northeastern tribes in colonial photography and writings”. The talk was held on 21st February 2019, 11:30AM. The event was organized by North east society in collaboration with IBSD Miranda House-Centre for North East studies.

Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo was invited by Amity Institute of Anthropology (AIA) as guest speaker on the 'World Anthropology Day' which was observed on 21st February 2019, 2:00PM. She interacted with the undergrads and graduate students on the topic ‘Digital and Visual Ethnography’ citing cases from personal encounters and everyday life and connecting them with theories in anthropology.

Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo was invited as Resource Person to deliver a lecture on ‘Visual and Virtual Ethnography’ at the Ethnography Workshop for Research Scholars, organised by Ambedkar University Delhi from 11th – 22nd March 2019 with the support of Anthropological Survey of India, Kolkata.

Dr. Avitoli G. Zhimo was invited to deliver special lecture on ‘Gender and Customary Law’ for the course on, Gendered World: Memory and Politics in Northeast India for MA Gender Studies Students at Ambedkar University, Delhi on 14th March 2019.

Dr. Vipin Gupta, attended EMBO Laboratory Leadership Course organized by Wellcome Trust UK / DBT India Alliance, March 2019.

Dr. Kennedy M. Singh delivered a lecture in the ICSSR project workshop on Traditional healing Practices in North East on 18th January 2019, organized by Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi

Dr. Kennedy M. Singh attended consultation meeting for the Tribal Human Development Report on Monday, 18th February 2019 at India International Centre Annexe, Committee Room 1, organised by Institute for Human Development, Delhi.

Dr. Meenal Dhall was invited for the Jharkhand NCD Program Dissemination Workshop - 25th Feb 2019, Delhi organized by Project HOPE with support from Boston Scientific and in collaboration with Vikas Bharti &amp; Jharkhand Rural Health Mission Society (JRHMS).

Dr. Meenal Dhall delivered Symposium Invited Talk on Bio genetic markers and Quality of life: An Ethnic Insight during 106th Indian Science Congress 2019 to be held at Lovely Professional University, Jalandhar, Punjab, during 3-7 Jan 2019.

Dr. Meenal Dhall attended SCOPE School Cape Town 28 November 2018.

Dr.K.N.Saraswathy, Dr.Benrithung Murry, Dr.R.P.Mitra, Dr.Chakraverti Mahajan took B.Sc. part III students and M.Sc. Part II students to Udaipur district, Rajasthan for conducting Anthropological Fieldwork in the month of March 2019.
Number of M.Phil. Ph.D. awarded

Ph.D. awarded: 20  
M.Phil. awarded: 17

Faculty strength: 18

Other significant information: