

BIOGRAPHICAL RESUME

I. Personal Information :

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Mother Tongue	: Gujarati
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II. Books, Articles & Other Activities

A. Books

1. *Nimajjan* : a collection of short-stories published by R.R.Sheth & Co.in 1978
2. *Drashyaflak* : a collection of nearly 100 Reviews of dramas performed between 1976 and 1979 in Gujarati, Marathi, Hindi, English & Bengali stages at Mumbai & Ahmedabad.
3. *Sampark* : Edited a book on evaluation of Dr.Suresh Dalal, a well-known poet of Gujarati.
4. *Hallo* : a collection of short-stories published by R.R.Sheth & Co.in 1983.
5. *Preksha* : another collection of nearly 125 Reviews of Dramas performed between 1979 and 1984 in Gujarati, Marathi, Hindi & English published by SNDT Women's University in 1986.
6. *Natakno Jiv* : Collection of articles of theatre divided into three parts i.e. :
 - (a) Surveys of Gujarati Theatre
 - (b) Study of certain dramas (which includes Equus, Oh! Calcutta, Canada, Cats, No Plays, Miss Juile, Henry IV etc.)
 - (c) Translation of two articles of Martin Esslin and Peter Brook.
7. *Mahabharat* : A play by Jean Claude Carrier directed by Peter Brook, is translated into Gujarati with the permission from the author.
8. *Tarjani Sanket* : Collection of drama reviews for the period 1984 to 1991 performed on Gujarati, Hindi, Marathi, English stage.
9. *Plays of Vijay Tendulkar and the Concept of Social Drama* : Three lectures given on this subject at M.S.University, Baroda in 1988 under the lecture series of Sandesara Vyakhanshreni organized by the Gujarati Department, published in 1993.

10. *Adhunik Gujarati Ekankio* : An anthology of modern Gujarati one act plays edited with an introduction and to be published by Sahitya Academy, New Delhi.
11. *Khatavani* : A collection of short stories published by Image Publications Pvt Ltd. In 1995.

Khatavani has been awarded as

- (i) Best Printed Book of 1995 by Gujarat Publishers Association
- (ii) Ramanlal Pathak Prize for collection of short stories published during 1994-95 by Gujarati Sahitya Parishad
- (iii) Dhumketu Mavalika Puraskar for the years 1994-95-96 by Gurjar Prakashan.
12. *Sang-Bhoomi* : Collection of drama reviews for the period 1991 to 1996 performed on Gujarati, Hindi, Marathi, English stage.
13. *Natyavihar* : Reflections on theatre world.
14. *Sahayog* : Translation of prose & poems from various languages in Gujarati.

B. Other Activities :

Writing a regular weekly theatre column in a daily since 1976. At present in Janmabhoomi Pravasi under the column "Chaheran-Mohoran."

- : Member of Regional Advisory Board' Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi
- : Member of Board of Studies, Gujarat Department, S.N.D.T. University
- : Member of Executive Committee, Shri Vile Parle Kelavani Mandal.
- : Trustee, Haridva Dave Memorial Trust.
- : Ex-Member of Gujarat Sankritic Karyakram Pramanpatra Board.
- : Regularly writing articles on theatre and reviewing books.

C. Visits Abroad

Formerly associated with Gujarati Dept. of S.N.D.T. University in their various projects. Occasionally participated in activities at N.C.P.A.

- : In 1981, 1988 and 1994 visited London to assist Dr.Suresh Dalal a well known poet of Gujarati Literature on his project of interviewing British Poets.
- : During these visits, the British Council Division had kindly arranged to view some plays in London.