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Ajaya K. Sahoo is Professor & Head of the Centre for Study of Indian Diaspora, University of Hyderabad, India. His teaching and research interests include immigration, diaspora, ethnicity, religion, and transnationalism.

Awards & Distinctions

- Chancellor's Award for contribution to teaching and research, 2022 (Rupees One Lakh as Research Grant and a Citation)
- Founder & Editor, *Journal of South Asian Diaspora*. London: Routledge Publications (2009 –).
- Associate Editor, *Man in India: A Quarterly Journal of Anthropology*, New Delhi: Serials Publications (2007–2009).
- Book Review Editor, *Journal of Intercultural Studies*. London: Routledge Publications (2008–2016).
- Editorial Advisory Board, *Migration & Development*. London: Routledge Publications (2015–2018)
- Editorial Advisory Board, *Journal of Intercultural Studies*. London: Routledge Publications (2016 –)
- Editorial Advisory Board, *Nidan: International Journal for the Study of Hinduism*, University of KwaZulu-Natal (2015 –)
- Editorial Advisory Board, *Athens Journal of Social Sciences*, Athens, Greece (2014 –)
- Editorial Advisory Board, *Mumbai-Münster Institute of Advanced Studies* (University of Mumbai) (2020 –)

Publications (Books)

- Ajaya K. Sahoo (ed.). 2024. *Routledge Handbook of South Asian Migrations*. London: Routledge.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo (ed.). 2022. *Routledge Handbook of Asian Transnationalism*. London: Routledge.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo (ed.). 2021. *Routledge Handbook of Asian Diaspora and Development*. London: Routledge.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo & Bandana Purkayastha (eds.). 2019. *Routledge Handbook of Indian Transnationalism*. London: Routledge.



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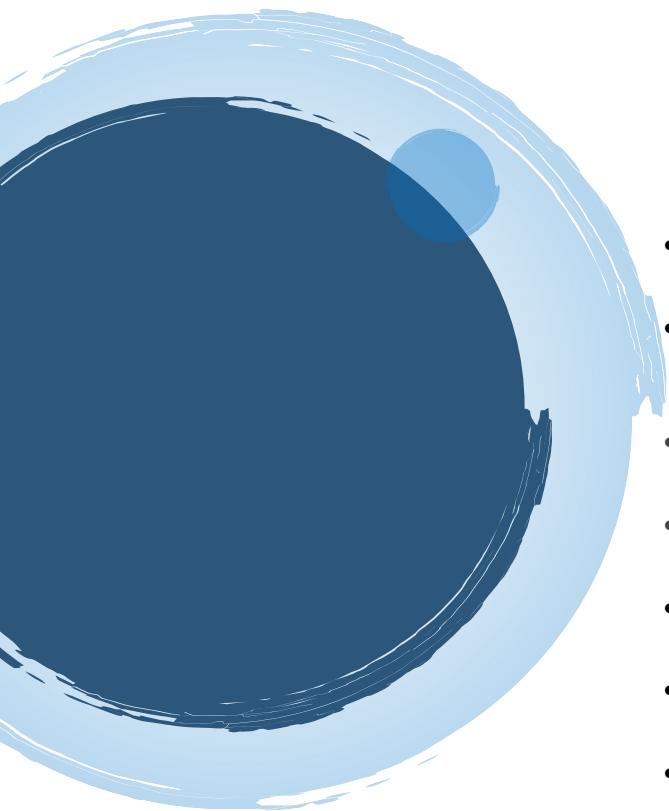
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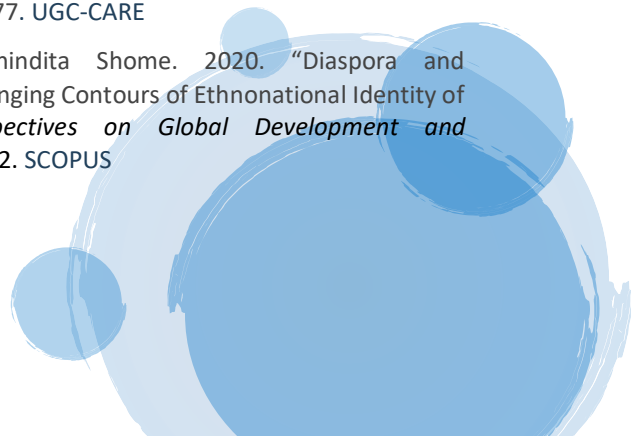
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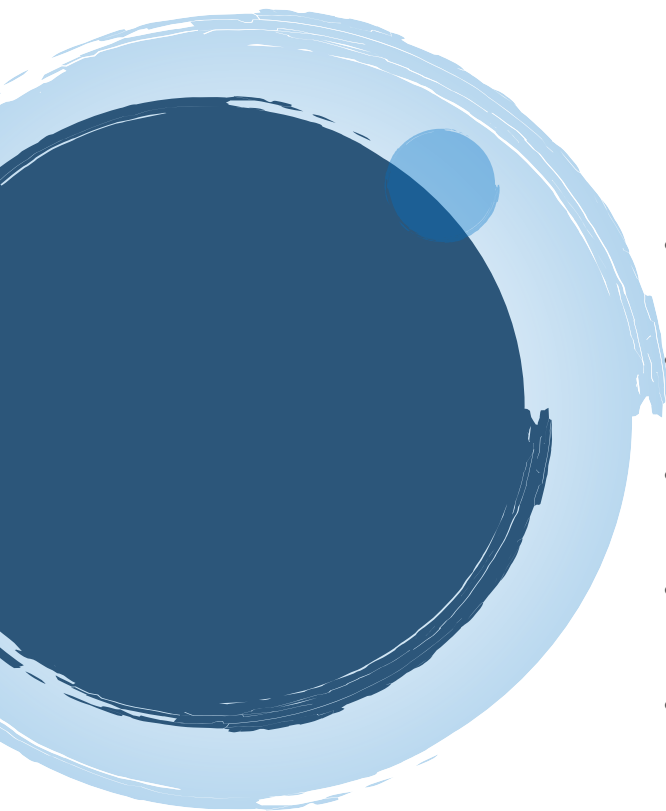


- Radha S. Hegde & Ajaya K. Sahoo (eds.). 2018. *Routledge Handbook of the Indian Diaspora*. London: Routledge.
- Anjali Roy & Ajaya K. Sahoo (eds.). 2019. *Diasporas and Transnationalisms: The Journey of the Komagata Maru*. London: Routledge.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo (ed.). 2017. *Mapping Indian Diaspora: Contestations and Representations*. New Delhi: Rawat Publications.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo (ed.). 2015. *Diaspora, Development, and Distress: Indians in the Persian Gulf*. New Delhi: Rawat Publications.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo & J. G. Kruijf Hans (eds.). 2014. *Indian Transnationalism Online: New Perspectives on Diaspora*. London: Ashgate.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo, Michael Bass & Thomas Faist (eds.). 2012. *Indian Diaspora & Transnationalism*. New Delhi: Rawat Publications.
- William Safran, Ajaya K. Sahoo and Brij V. Lal (eds.). 2009. *Transnational Migrations: The Indian Diaspora*. London: Routledge Publications.
- Parvati Raghuram, Ajaya K. Sahoo, Brij Maharaj and Dave Sangha (eds.). 2008. *Tracing an Indian Diaspora: Contexts, Memories, Representations*. New Delhi: Sage Publications.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo and Brij Maharaj (eds.). 2007. *Sociology of Diaspora: A Reader*, (2 Volumes.). New Delhi: Rawat Publications.

Publications (Articles)

- Shazia Khan & Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2023. "The Sound of Diaspora: The Evolution and Transformation of Indo-Caribbean Music". *Journal of Migration History*, Vol. 9 (2): 220-243. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo & Surabhi K. 2022. "Diaspora, Religion, and Identity: The Case of *Theyyam* in the Indian Diaspora". *Asian Ethnicity*, 23 (1): 90-107. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo & Anindita Shome. 2021. "Negotiating Identity in the Diaspora: The Role of South Asian Youth Organizations". *South Asian Diaspora*, 13 (1): 99-109. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2020. "Migration, Diaspora and Development: A Study of Familial Bonds of Indians in the Diaspora". *Migration and Development*, 9 (3): 467-477. UGC-CARE
- Ajaya K. Sahoo & Anindita Shome. 2020. "Diaspora and Transnationalism: The Changing Contours of Ethnonational Identity of Indian Diaspora", *Perspectives on Global Development and Technology*, 19 (3): 383-402. SCOPUS

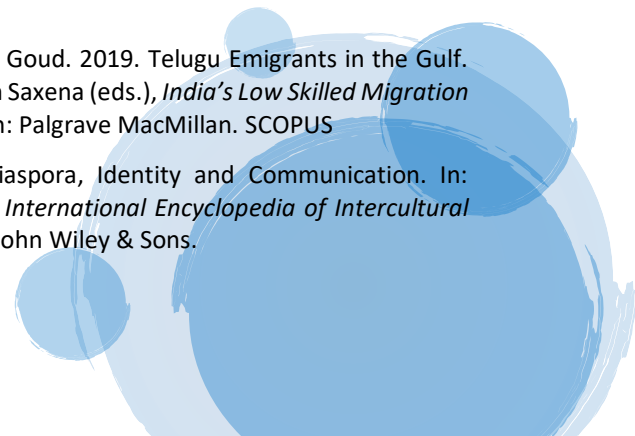




- Anjali Gera Roy & Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2016. "The Journey of the Komagata Maru: National, Transnational, Diasporic". *South Asian Diaspora*, 8 (2), 85-96. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2013. Reconstructing Religious and Cultural Identity of Indians in the Diaspora: The Role of Sri Sathya Sai Baba Movement. *Sociological Bulletin*, 62 (1): 23-39. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo, Dave Sangha and Melissa Kelly. 2010. "From 'Temporary Migrants' to 'Permanent Residents': Indian H-1B Visa Holders in the United States". *Asian Ethnicity*, 11 (3): 293-309. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo and Dave Sangha. 2010. "Diaspora and Cultural Heritage: The Case of Indians in Canada". *Asian Ethnicity*, 11 (1): 81-94. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo & Dave Sangha. 2007. "Reconceptualising 'Immigrants': The Idea of Transnational Citizens and its Implications for Social Work". *Indian Journal of Social Work*, 68 (4): 471-485. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2006. "Issues of Identity in the Indian Diaspora: A Transnational Perspective". *Perspectives on Global Development and Technology*, 5 (1&2): 81-98. SCOPUS
- Dave Sangha and Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2005. "Social Work, Spirituality and Diasporic Communities: The Case of the Sathya Sai Baba Movement". *Journal of Religion & Spirituality in Social Work*, 24 (4): 75-88. SCOPUS
- Chandrashekhar Bhat and Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2005. "Transnational Networks of Indian Diasporic Communities: The Case of Telugu Diaspora". *Man in India*, 85 (1&2): 61-80. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2005. "Hinduism in the Diaspora". *Social Change*, 35 (1): 71-82. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2005. "The Anatomy of Migration and Ageing: An Introduction to Diasporic Perspective". *Indian Journal of Gerontology*, 19 (1): 101-114. UGC-CARE

Publications (Chapters)

- Ajaya K. Sahoo & Anindita Shome. 2022. India and Indian Diaspora: Rethinking Homeland in the 21st Century. In: Liam Kennedy (ed.). *Routledge International Handbook of Diaspora Diplomacy*. London: Routledge.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo & Trilok C. Goud. 2019. Telugu Emigrants in the Gulf. In: S. Irudaya Rajan & Prem Saxena (eds.), *India's Low Skilled Migration to the Middle East*. London: Palgrave MacMillan. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2018. Diaspora, Identity and Communication. In: Young Yun Kim (ed.), *The International Encyclopedia of Intercultural Communication*. London: John Wiley & Sons.





- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2015. Indian Migration to the Gulf and Development Challenges in India. In: T. T. Yong & M. Rahman (ed.), *Int Migration and Development in South Asia*. London: Routledge. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2014. Diaspora, Transnationalism and Development. In: S. Irudaya Rajan (ed.), *India Migration Report 2014: Diaspora and Development*. London: Routledge. SCOPUS
- Ajaya K. Sahoo & Melissa Kelly. 2013. Social Movements in the Diasporic Context: The Sathya Sai Baba Movement. In: Gopinath Pillai (ed.), *The Political Economy of the South Asian Diaspora: Patterns of Socio-Economic Influence*. London: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2012. Globalization, Diaspora and Transnationalism: Challenges and Opportunities for Indian Diaspora. In: Michelle Williams (ed.), *The Multicultural Dilemma: Migration, Ethnic Politics, and State Intermediation*. London: Routledge. SCOPUS
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- Parvati Raghuram and Ajaya K. Sahoo. 2008. Thinking 'Indian Diaspora' for our times. In: Parvati Raghuram, Ajaya K. Sahoo, Brij Maharaj & Dave Sangha (eds.), *Tracing an Indian Diaspora: Contexts, Memories, Representations*. New Delhi: Sage Publications. SCOPUS
- William Safran, Ajaya K. Sahoo and Brij V. Lal. 2008. Indian Diaspora in Transnational Contexts. In: William Safran, Ajaya K. Sahoo and Brij V. Lal (eds.), *Transnational Migration: The Indian Diaspora*. London: Routledge.
- Ajaya K. Sahoo and Brij Maharaj. 2007. Globalisation, Migration, Transnationalism and Diasporas: Some Critical Reflections. In: Ajaya K. Sahoo and Brij Maharaj (eds.), *Sociology of Diaspora: A Reader*. New Delhi: Rawat Publications.

University Administration

- Head – Centre for Study of Indian Diaspora
- Warden – Men's Hostel-D
- Member – Anti-Ragging Squad
- Member – School Grievance Committee
- Member – Mentoring Committee
- Member – Committee for OBCs
- Member – Board of Studies, Department of Anthropology
- Member – Board of Studies, Centre for Women's Studies
- Member – Board of Studies, Centre for Regional Studies
- Member – Board of Studies, Social Exclusion & Inclusive Policy
- Member – G-20 Coordination Committee





Conferences Organized

- Organized an International Conference on “Indian Transnationalism Online: Ethnographic Explorations” in collaboration with Utrecht University, The Netherlands, sponsored by ICSSR, 26 – 27 March 2012.
- Organized a Workshop on “NRI Marriages: Issues and Concerns”, sponsored by Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs, 6th October 2012.
- Organized an International Conference on “Diaspora, Development and Distress: 21st Century Indians in Persian Gulf”, sponsored by ICSSR, 11 – 12 March 2013.
- Organized an International Conference on “Global Indian Diaspora: Continuities and Changes”, sponsored by ICSSR, 6–7 November 2014.
- Organized an International Conference on “Indian Diaspora and Transnationalism: Global Perspectives”, sponsored by Ministry of External Affairs; ICSSR, 4-5 October 2018.

M.Phil & Ph.D. Students Supervised

- M.Phil Awarded: 16
- Ph.D. Awarded : 12
- Ph.D. Ongoing : 06

Major Research Projects (as PI)

- Completed : 03
- Ongoing : 01

Conference Papers Presented

- National : 30
- International : 18
- Invited Talks : 13
- Session Chaired : 07

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