

(Odisha), Phupgaon (Maharashtra), and Chirand (Bihar). He also served as Assistant Curator at the National Maritime Heritage Complex, Lothal, Gujarat, where he contributed to archaeological research, heritage management, museum development, and the interpretation of India's maritime cultural heritage.

Administrative Assignments

Member:

- Cultural Committee
- Canteen Committee

Areas of Interest/Specialisation

- Ancient Indian History Culture and Archaeology (Prehistory, Protohistory, Historical Archaeology, Archaeological Method and Theory, Cultural History of Ancient India, and Museology)

Subjects Taught

- NA

Innovation Project/Research Projects (Major Grants/Research Collaboration)

- NA

Publications Profile (*Research Papers/Books*)

- Verma, R. K. 2024. Exploration of Early Historic Sites Around Ancient Pataliputra, *Annals of the Bhanadarkar Oriental Research Institute*, Vol. CV: 122-135.
- Verma, R. K. 2025. A Preliminary Report on Recent Archaeological Investigations in Saran District, Bihar, *Heritage: Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies in Archaeology* 10: 586-594.
- Verma, R. K., S. Moharana, S. K. Manjul 2020. Preliminary Findings of the Exploration in Baraut Tehsil of Baghpat District, Uttar Pradesh, *Man and Environment*, XLV (2): 68-75.
- Joglekar, J., R. K. Verma, S. Moharana, C. Thite, S. Vaidya and A. Gokhale 2024. A Preliminary Report on the Discovery of Two Middle Palaeolithic Localities, District Ganjam, Odisha, Eastern India, *Heritage: Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies in Archaeology* 11.1: 914-926.
- Moharana, S., S. Vaidya and R. K. Verma 2021. Archaeological Investigations in the Coastal Region of Ganjam District, Odisha, *Man and Environment*, XLVI (2): 88-99.
- Moharana, S., S. Vaidya, R. K. Verma, and K. K. Behera 2020. Preliminary Study of the Chalcolithic Ceramic Assemblage of Asuradhipa, Khurda District, Odisha, *Heritage: Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies in Archaeology*, 8.2: 941-961.

- Shirvalkar, P., P. Hatkar, R. K. Verma, E. Prasad, T. Tamboli, A. Biswas, M. I. Khan, F. Bali and A. K. Verma 2024. Report of Excavation at Chirand (2019), Saran District, Bihar, India, *Heritage: Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies in Archaeology* 11.1: 238-291.
- Moharana, S., R. K. Mohanty, P. P. Joglekar, R. K. Verma, S. Vaidya, S. Ray, and V. Sabnis 2019. New Insights on the Ceramic Assemblage of Golbai Sasan, Khurda District, Odisha, *Bulletin of the Deccan College Post-graduate and Research Institute* 79: 69-81.
- Vaidya, S., R. K. Mohanty, P. P. Joglekar, S. K. Patnaik, S. G. Deo, V. Sabnis, J. Joglekar, P. Goyal, K. K. Behera, S. Moharana, R. K. Verma, H. Shekhar, P. K. Jena, and C. Kumar 2020. Preliminary Report on the Excavations at the Chalcolithic Site of Asuradhipa, Kanchilo Village, District Khurda, Odisha, *Man and Environment*, XLV (2): 34-42.
- Moharana. S., S. Vaidya, R. K. Verma, R. K. Mohanty, and P. P. Joglekar 2024. Ceramics Sequence at Golbai Sasan and Asuradhipa in Odisha and Some Clues to the Period of Early Introduction of Iron in Coastal Odisha, *Heritage: Journal of Multidisciplinary Studies in Archaeology* 11.1: 592-645.

Conference/Seminar/Faculty Development Programme/Workshop

Conference:

- Presented paper entitled “*Analysis of Ceramics from Golbai Sasan, Khurda District, Odisha*” in the International Joint Annual Conference of IAS, ISPQS and HCS.
- Presented paper entitled “*Recent Exploration in Baraut Tehsil of Baghpat District, Uttar Pradesh, India*” in the International Joint Annual Conference of IAS, ISPQS and HCS.
- Presented paper entitled “*Tracing the Evidence of Early Hominins in Eastern India (Odisha): Preliminary Findings of Palaeolithic localities*” in ICHR Sponsored National Conference for Recent Advancements in Archaeological Researches in Odisha: Issues and Perspective, Odisha: Ravenshaw University.
- Presented paper entitled “*Excavations at Asuradhipa, Kanchilo and Recent Investigations on Neolithic-Chalcolithic Culture of Coastal Odisha, Bharat*” in 26th International Conference of European Association for South Asian Archaeology and Art (EASAA).
- Presented paper entitled “*Recent Archaeological Investigations in Saran District, Bihar, India*” in the International Joint Annual Conference of IAS, ISPQS and HCS.
- Presented paper entitled “*Archaeological Investigations in the Coastal Regions of Ganjam, District, Odisha*” in the International Joint Annual Conference of IAS, ISPQS and HCS.
- Participated in the 3rd Annual Archaeology of Maharashtra International Conference entitled “*Temple Architecture of Maharashtra Review and Recent Works*”, Centre for Extra-Mural Studies and Centre of Archaeology, University of Mumbai.

Seminar:

- Participated in 2nd Annual International Seminar on Indian Archaeology and Bio-molecular Techniques, Ladakh.

Workshop:

- Participated in a workshop entitled “*Ceramic Production*” organised by Department of AIHC and Archaeology, Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Pune, collaboration with potters in Peril Trust, Mumbai.
- Participated in a workshop entitled “*Study of Ajanta Caves, Sculptures, Paintings and Architecture*” which was organised by School of Art and Aesthetics, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), collaboration with Department of AIHC and Archaeology, Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Pune.
- Participated in the short-term training course in “*Structural Conservation*”, which was organized by the Institute of Archaeology, ASI.
- Participated in a workshop entitled “*Archaeological Excavation - Theory and Practical*”, which was organized by Excavation Branch-I, Nagpur, ASI.

Research Guidance (*Supervision of Doctoral Thesis/Dissertations*)

- NA

Awards and Distinctions

- UGC-NET
- Indian Council of Historical Research - JRF
- The Black Trowel Collective Micro-grant
- BORI-INFOSYS Fellow under Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute and Infosys Academic Development Programme

Memberships

- Life Member of Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies (ISPQS)

Other Academic Activities

Research Experience:

- **Ph.D. Thesis:** “*A Study of Neolithic and Chalcolithic Cultures of Saran District, Bihar.*”
- **Post-graduate Diploma Dissertation:** “*Site Catchment Analysis of Barnawa, Baghpat District, Uttar Pradesh.*”

Field Experience (Excavation and Field Investigation):

- Participated in the excavation at Rakhigarhi, Hissar District, Haryana, conducted by Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Pune.

- Participated in the excavation at Binjor (4-MSR), Rajasthan, and also participated in exploration in Shri Ganganagar District along with the dried-up bed of ancient river Saraswati, jointly conducted by Institute of Archaeology, ASI and Excavation Branch-New Delhi, ASI.
- Participated in the excavation at Barnawa, Baghpat District, Uttar Pradesh, jointly conducted by Institute of Archaeology, ASI and Excavation Branch-New Delhi, ASI.
- Participated in the excavation at Kankaikuda, Ganjam District, Odisha, jointly conducted by Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Pune and University of California, Los Angeles (USA).
- Participated in the excavation at Phupgaon, Nagpur District, Maharashtra, conducted by Excavation Branch- I Nagpur, ASI.
- Participated in the excavation at Chirand, Saran District, Bihar, jointly conducted by Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Pune, and State Archaeology Department of Bihar.
- Participated in the excavation at Asuradhipa, Khurda District, Odisha, conducted by Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Pune.
- Participated in the field work with Mr. Gopal Joge to document the medieval monuments, Mallikarjun temple at Loni Bhapkar and Bhuleshwar temple at Yavat District, Maharashtra conducted by Deccan College Post-Graduate and Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Pune.

Cultural/Extracurricular Activities

Extracurricular Activities:

- NCC
- NSS



Signature of Faculty Member