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Dr. Sumanth Shankarayya Hiemath is serving as Associate Professor and Chairman (Head) of the Department of Sociology. Dr. Sumanth is the Chairman of the Doctoral Committee, Department Council, Board of Studies (UG & PG), and Board of Examiners. He is also a member of BoS & BoE at various other universities in India. Additionally, he holds the position of Nodal Officer for the Youth Red Cross Wing of the University.

Dr. Sumanth began his teaching career in 2006 and has more than 17 years of teaching & research experience. His research interests are Elite Studies, Elderly, Gender, Environmental and Urban Studies, Higher Education, and ICT. As part of his research experience, he assisted a research candidate from McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, in partially fulfilling the thesis.

He has been a resource person at the UGC-Human Resource Development Centre, Goa University, Goa. He has presented 127 research papers at international, national, and state-level conferences. He has delivered about 45 special lectures across India and abroad. He has organised 04 national seminars, and 01 international webinar, and many health and environmental awareness programmes.

Dr. Sumanth is the author of 02 books & co-editor of 02 books. He has published 72 research papers in internationally reputed journals and has a good number of citations. He is an 'Associate Editor', 'Journal Reviewer', and 'Editorial Board Member' of various international journals of repute.

Under the guidance of Dr. Sumanth, 02 are awarded a 'Doctoral' degree (Ph.D.), and currently, 02 research scholars are pursuing their Ph.D. He has completed 01 minor research project and submitted 01 final copy of a major research project funded by RCU, Belagavi.

Dr. Sumanth is an awardee of the 'Karnataka Rajya Pratibha Puraskar'. He was honoured with the National Merit Scholarship—Government of India and Research Fellowship for the PhD Programme. Dr. Sumanth was awarded the 'Best Paper Presenter' at the World School Summit Conference 'Global Educational Discourse' held at Taylor's University, Kulalumpur, Malaysia. He was a "Panellist" in the 'Panel Discussion' at the same event.

Dr. Sumanth is an 'Academic Member' of the 'Athens Institute for Education & Research, Athens, Greece. He is associated as a 'Life Member' to the 'International Sociological Association', 'Indian Sociological Society', 'Karnataka Sociology Association', 'Association of Gerontology', and 'Indian Red Cross Society'. He is Joint Secretary of the Karnataka Sociology Association and 'Secretary' for the Indian Red Cross Society, District Branch, Belagavi.

As part of an academic visit, he visited Toronto, Canada; Bangkok, Thailand; New York, United States of America; Melbourne, Australia; and Kulalumpur, Malaysia. Dr. Sumanth is known for his student mentoring activities. He is an active blood (AB '-' ve) donor and is known for his social service.

-Dr. Sumanth Shankarayya Hiemath
