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NOWROSJEE WADIA COLLEGE, PUNE

FACULTY ACADEMIC PROFILE



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PROFESSIONAL SNAPSHOT

Dr. Hanumant Lokhande is a Research Guide and Professor of English at Nowrosjee Wadia College with over 18 years of teaching and research experience. His academic expertise spans Indian and comparative literatures, Postcolonial and Dalit studies, and Indian cinema. He is the author of *Representations of Dalit Protagonists: Indian English Fiction and Marathi Dalit Literature* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2024) and *Fandry: Bhartiya Chitrapatatil Mailacha Dagad* (2025). He has published 25+ research papers and book chapters and has served as a resource person, panellist, and chair at national and international conferences. He has received several academic and institutional honours.

EDUCATION

Qualification	University / Institution	Year
Ph.D.	Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune	2017
M.A.	Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune	2004
SET	Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune	2006
P.G.C.T.E.	English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad	2009

TEACHING & ACADEMIC INTERESTS

• English • English Literature and Criticism

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS |

Research Area: Indian and Comparative Literatures, Postcolonial and Dalit Studies, Indian Films

Selected Publications- **Books:**

- Representations of Dalit Protagonists: Indian English Fiction and Marathi Dalit Literature* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2024)
- Fandry: Bhartiya Chitrapatatil Mailacha Dagad* (New Era Publishing House, 2025)

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ACHIEVEMENTS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT |

• **Awards/ Honours:**

- Muktarang Sahitya Gaurav** (2026) by Muktai Foundation for contribution towards literary criticism
- Dr. M.V. Gokhale Prize** (2026) for outstanding contribution towards research work
- Platinum Jubilee Award** (2024) for outstanding contribution towards co-curricular and extra-curricular activities of Nowrosjee Wadia College.
- The **Silver Medal** (2014) at the Mumbai University 'Avishkar Research Convention'

- Completed 1 Orientation Course and 6 Refresher Courses/Faculty Development Courses

• Dr. Lokhande is recognized as PhD **Research Guide** in English of Savitribai Phule Pune University and three students are pursuing their Ph.D. He has worked as an **External Peer Reviewer** for Palgrave Macmillan U.K. He has attended more than 50 state, national, and international conferences, seminars, and workshops, and webinars; and presented more than **25 research papers** in them.

Dr. Lokhande serves on the **Boards of Studies in English** at several autonomous colleges: Nowrosjee Wadia College Pune; Vice Chancellor Nominee Member of Board of Studies in English at Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce Ganeshkhind, Pune and Sir Parshurambhau (S.P.) College, Pune; Rajashri Shahu Mahavidyalaya, Latur.

Dr. Lokhande is the **Cultural Coordinator** of the college. The college created history by winning the General Championship Trophy of the Savitribai Phule Pune University's Inter-Collegiate Youth Festival for three consecutive years—2023, 2024, and 2025—perhaps the first affiliated college to accomplish this remarkable feat. The students have also earned prestigious honours, including the University's inaugural Golden Boy, Golden Girl, and Jallos Superstar Awards, while consistently representing the University with the largest contingent at the State, Zonal, and National Inter-University Youth Festivals. Beyond the Youth Festival, the college has continued its legacy of theatrical excellence through outstanding performances in prestigious one-act play competitions such as the Government of Maharashtra State-Level One-Act Play Competition (*Rajya Natya Spardha*), Purushottam Karandak, Loksatta-Lokankika Karandak, Sakal Karandak, Kohinoor Karandak, Jagruti Karandak, and so forth securing team achievements and numerous individual awards. Apart from it, **NOWROS** – the week-long academic and cultural annual college festival is organized every year.

Dr. Lokhande **Coordinated** the One-Day Workshop on 'Acting and Script Writing' which was organized in association with the Student Development Board of S.P.P.U. and Nowrosjee Wadia College, and 'Open District Level Essay Competition' on the occasion of the 13th National Voter Day jointly organized by the Office of Collectorate & Joint Director of Higher Education Pune, and Nowrosjee Wadia College in 2023. He was the Organizing Member of One-Day Workshop on 'Syllabus Restructuring for U.G. (First Year) and M.A. Part II in English' jointly organized by BoS in English of S.P.P.U., and English Department of Nowrosjee Wadia College in 2024, and Modern Education Society's 'Sanyunkta Jayanti Mahostav' 2026.

ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITIES |

- **Member** of the College Committees like NSS Advisory Committee, Internal Complaints Committee, Avishkar Organizing Committee, Zoom Platform Online Teaching Committee, Website Content Writing Committee, Admission Committee, Gymkhana Day Committee, Committee for Mandatory Credit Course, College Foundation Celebration Committee, Committee for Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Initiative, AQAR, Academic Calendar Committee, etc.