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Positions held:

Professor Chaudhuri taught Political Science in different Colleges (Calcutta University). He was a Post Graduate Guest Faculty in the Department of Political Science, Calcutta University, Department of Political Science with Rural Administration, Vidyasagar University, in NSOU Kolkata and Rabindra Bharati University in Distance Education System. Visited Soviet Russia and presented Two Papers in International Political Science Congress, Paris, France and Frankfurt, Germany.

Amiya K. Chaudhuri till 2009 was Guest Faculty in the Department of Law, Calcutta University teaching Political Theory and Thought and, occasionally International Relations. He was a member of the UG Board of Studies in Political Science at Calcutta University (Chairman UG BOS in Political Science), Distance Education, Rabindra Bharati University and Netaji Subhas Open University (Public Administration), West Bengal.

He has been associated with Centre for the Study of developing Societies (CSDS) since 1996 when he first assisted in conducting the Surveys of the 1996 Parliamentary and Assembly Elections in West Bengal. He was the WB state coordinator for the 1998, 1999 and 2001, 2004 Parliamentary and Assembly and presently member of *Lokniti* (Institute of Comparative Democracy) Network of the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), Delhi-110054.

Research Projects:

- (1) ICSSR sponsored, “Indian Judiciary Supreme court and Four High Courts” (completed in 1977)
- (2) ICSSR sponsored, “Evolution of West Bengal Legislature 1862-1987” (completed in 1998)
- (3) University of Pennsylvania Institute of Advanced Studies in India (UPIASI) sponsored, “Coalition Politics in West Bengal” (completed 2006).under the auspices of the UPIASI on Parliamentary Elections 2004 and Assembly Elections 2006

Research interests:

Comparative Political Systems

State Politics and Governance in India

Area Studies; Bangladesh and Pakistan, Nepal and Sri Lanka

Selected Publications:

A few selected Articles in Professional / Refereed journals

- A Conceptual Framework of Panchayati Raj, “The Calcutta Journal of Political Studies”,(Bilingual), New Series, Vol 1 Nos 1&2, April 2001-2002.
- Social Liberation: The Search for a Correct Perspective, “West Bengal Political Science Review” Vol 1, Jan-Dec’1998.
- Control, Politics and Perspective of a State Legislature, “The Indian Journal of Political Science, Vol. LIV, No. 1, Jan-March. 1993.
- Question Hour and Zero Hour in West Bengal Legislature, “The Calcutta Journal of Political Studies, Vol X Nos 1&2, 1991.
- Middle Class: An Amorphous Identity and Contradictions “ Lokayat” (English), New Delhi, October 15 2004
- Legislature of A state in Perspective, “Indian Journal of Political Science”, Jan-July, 1993.
- India’s Socio-Political Development-Constraints & Consequences: A Recent Scenario, “Journal of Constitutional and Parliamentary Studies, Vol.XIII, No.2, July-September 1979.
- Political Culture in Post Independence India: West Bengal and Its Political Idiom, “The Calcutta Review”, (A Calcutta University Journal), Vol.V, Nos. 1&2, 1979.
- Relevance of Political Sociology to the Study of Parties with Reference to Indian Part System, “ The Calcutta Review”, New Series, Vol. III, No.4, April – June, 1978.
- A Note on Naxalism- Its Making in Contemporary Indian political Thought, “ The Calcutta Review”, New Series, Vol. III, No. I, July-September 1977.
- Judicial Appointments in High Courts, “ The Indian Journal of Political Science, Vol XXXVIII, No 4, Oct-Dec’1977.
- Minority Government: Coalition Politics Indian Experiments, “Indian Journal of Political Science, Vol. LXVI, No. 2, Apr. –June, 2005.
- Electoral Politics West Bengal: A predominant Party Government (1977-2006), Asia Annual 2006, MAKAIAS, 2007.

- Coalition Politics; Left Front in a Unique Coalition in West Bengal, A UPIASI, Project (2004- 2006) submitted (Forthcoming soon from Oxford University Press, 2007)
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri “Politics, Governance, Political Economy of Development Or Stagnation: West Bengal 2009.” India Economy Review (IER), IIPM, Vol VII, March 31 , 2010
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- A number of Articles on “Gandhi”, “Soviet Revolution”, “ “Jalliunabag”, “Indian Federalism”, “Kashmir” “state of Human Right in India”, “Speaking Within” etc in Bengali Journals like *Darpane Muktamon*, *Majhi*, *Janabani Samajbhabnai*, Subhas National Economic Planning in a Bengali Fortnightly of Subhas Chandra and a number of Little Magazine

Articles in Edited Volumes:

- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “ Regime Changes in West Bengal and Parliamentary Elections 1999”, Wallace and Roy (eds), India’s 1999 Elections and 20th Century Politics, Sage, New Delhi, Thousand Oaks and London, 2003.
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “ Appointment of a Chief Justice – The Study of the Controversy in a New Perspective, Verinder Grover (ed), Political Process and Role of Courts, New Delhi, 1997
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “Legislature and the Process of Development: A Study of West Bengal Legislature in a New Political Context, R.B. Jain (ed), The Legislative Process in Development, Gitanjali Publishing House, New Delhi, 1985.
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “ The Judges of the Supreme Court and the philosophy of a Judge”, Ram Avatar Sharma (ed), Justice and Social Order in India, Intellectual Publishing House, New Delhi, First Edition, 1984.
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “Political Sociology and Political Parties”, L.S Rathore (Ed), Political Sociology, Meenakshi Prakashan, Meerut, New Delhi, 1981.
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “Regime Changes in West Bengal and the 1999 Parliamentary Elections”, Paul Wallace and Ramashray (eds), *India’s 1999 Elections and 20th Century Politics*, Sage Publications, New Delhi, 2003.
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, *A predominant Party Government in a Coalition situation*, Asian Annual 2006, Suchandana Chatterjee (ed), Standard Publishing, New Delhi, 2007.
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “CPI(M)’ Dominance and ‘Other’ Parties in West Bengal”, Paul Wallace and Ramashray Roy (eds), India’s 2004 Elections: Grassroots and National Perspectives, Sage Publications, New Delhi, Thousand Oaks, London, 2007.
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “ In Search of Good Governance”, Anita Sen Gupta (ed), *Asia Annual 2007*, Manohar, New Delhi, 2008
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “Social and Political Ideas of Professor RK. Dasgupta (a comprehensive assessment in Bengali language) *Hridayer Uchcharan*, Deys Publications Kolkata, 2002.

- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “National Planning of Subhas Chandra” (revised and enlarged) Desbesh Ray Chaudhuri (ed), *Sangrami Subhas Chandra (Bengali)*, Progressive Publishing, Kolkata, 2008.
- Amiya K. Chaudhuri, “Mapping a Political Challenge” Paul Wallace & Ramashray (eds), *Indian Politics and Parliamentary Election 2009*, Sage Publications, Thousand Oks, California, 2010

Authored Books:

- *Legislative Control over Public Administration*, Minerva Associate, Calcutta, 1993.
- *Legislative Control over Public Administration: India*, Revised edition, Willis and company, London, 1998.
- *Contemporary Politics and Changing Economy of Bihar*, Shipra Publications, Delhi, 2010.
- *Bharater Bartaman Rajniti O Prasashanik Bikriti*, Sujan Publication, Calcutta, 1998.
- *Bharater Samasamayik Rajnitir Kusilab*, Sujan Publications, Kolkata 2008.

Monograph :

- *Evolution and Development of West Bengal Legislature (1862-20001)*, Mimeo, Kolkata, 1999.
- “Electoral Politics in West Bengal (1952-2001): A Predominant Party in the Coalition with a Difference” (mimeo), Kolkata, 2002.

Review articles and Book Reviews: Quite A Number, both in English and Bengali Journals, *Indian Journal of Political Science*, Indian Political Science Association *Journal of Political Studies*, *West Bengal Journal of Political Science*, Calcutta, *Journal of Administrative Science*, Madras, *Calcutta Journal of Political Studies*, *Journal of Political Studies*, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, *Indian Book Chronicles (IBC)* Jaipur, *Dainik Statesman* etc.

Edited: a Bengali Journal “*Rastra*” (stopped since 1998).

200 post edits, features, Review articles and Book Reviews in different Bengali newspapers, professional Journals and Magazines like “*Pratyahik Sambad*”, (Kolkata) “*Khabarar Kagaj*”, (Kolkata) “*Dainik Statesman*” (Kolkata) “*Alipurbarta*” (Kolkata), and other Bengali Magazines, (Published from Kolkata, and Districts, WB). Presently occasionally writing Features and Post edits in *Bartaman*, *Sambad Pratidin* and *Dainik Statesman* (particular mention may be made of “*Relooking Sainbari Massacre in 1970*, *Marichjhapi Massacre in 1979*, *Women Reservation Bill as passed in Rajya Sabha*, March 2010).

Delivered a few Memorial Lectures: The latest being,

- Memorial Lectures: Satindra Nath Memorial Lecture in Jadavpur University (NEC) on “*Contemporary scenario of Indian Democracy: roles of the National and Regional Political Parties*” April 11, 2010.

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