

# Sindhu N

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## **SUMMARY**

A person with a tremendous passion for writing and talking about culture, language and politics. A research aspirant who has experience in Television Journalism and Development Communication. Expertise in conducting surveys, reporting real-time events and analysing content. Experienced in leading a community media team to strengthen various development activities.

# **EDUCATION**

MA in Communication and Media Studies, SN School of Arts & Communication, University Of Hyderabad, India, 2018
Qualified UGC NET in Mass Communication & Journalism in September 2020
BA in Journalism, Mass Communication & Video Production, Mar Ivanios
College, University of Kerala, India, 2016

# **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Working as a **Research Assistant** of 'Forecasting with Fishers'- an interdisciplinary research project conducted by a group of scholars from the **University of Sussex**, Brighton, UK

Working as the **Research Associate** for the **British Academy-funded project** -**'Managing Covid-19 in India's cities: reshaping people's everyday lives in poorer urban neighbourhood'** at **IIT Madras** in collaboration with the University of Sheffield, UK

Carried out a Post Graduation Thesis titled '**Representation of the "Queer" in** Malayalam Magazines: Issues of Visibility, Recognition and Inclusion'

Accomplished a Research Internship on documenting the community life of Fisher People in the village of Adimalathura - **'A Prologue to the People, Sea and Life in Adimalathura: The History, Occupation and Socio-Cultural life of the Coastal Folk in Adimalathura'** (Written in a Participant Observational Perspective)

Worked as the Research Assistant in a Documentation Project on **How the Indian state of Kerala successfully handled the Covid-19 pandemic**, for Governance Innovation Labs (Historical Approach)

Carried out a **Listener Mapping Survey for Radio Monsoon**, a community Radio initiative, as per the guidelines of the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India

# **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & TRAINING**

## Radio Monsoon Weather Forecasting Services, Trivandrum -

Program Producer/ Radio Presenter

#### JANUARY 2020 - PRESENT

Managing the daily weather bulletin production for the fishermen by using the inputs provided by official weather agencies.

Production and Presentation of the Weekly Magazine Program on Coastal Weather and Community Development.

## Asianet News Network Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi / Trivandrum - Journalist

AUGUST 2018 - JANUARY 2020

- Actively reported Lok Sabha Elections 2019 from Delhi.
- Made special stories on:

- Lives of women who were featured in the Oscar-winning documentary "Period. The End of Sentence."
- Lives of surrogate mothers in Delhi.
- Negligence of state government towards the Okhi cyclone-affected people in Poonthura village
- Pathetic Life conditions of the minority Muslim villagers in Seelampur, Delhi
- Interviewed
  - Dutee Chand, Indian Athlete
  - Sumitra Mahajan, Former Speaker of the Lower House of Indian Parliament

# **FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS**

National Foundation for India (NFI) Media Fellowship for Independent Journalists - <u>https://www.nfi.org.in/node/226/45</u>

3CS Media Fellow of Ashoka University, Delhi to report issues relevant to Climate Change -

https://www.ashoka.edu.in/how-3cs-media-fellowship-is-supporting-clim ate-journalism-from-the-margins/

## UNESCO & Asia Indigenous People Pact, Chiang Mai, Thailand -

Student Participant SEPTEMBER 2016

• Participated in a media exchange program which was partially conducted by **UNESCO and AIPP (Asia Indigenous People Pact)** in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Coastal Students Cultural Forum, Trivandrum - Founding Member

FEBRUARY 2015 - PRESENT

- Served as Vice President.
- Coordinator of the Indigenous Day Celebrations organised in collaboration with UNESCO.
- Mentor for Coastal Students' Higher Education Conference

## Friends of Marine Life (FML), Trivandrum - Member

JANUARY 2016 - PRESENT

- Participated in the Dialogue Workshop organised by Friends of Marine Life (FML) in connection with UNESCO on Indigenous and Local Knowledge as media coordinator.
- Involved in media correspondence of the research work undertaken by FML on marine biodiversity and conservation.

## National Council for Rural Institutes(NCRI), Delhi - Intern

MAY 2017 - JULY 2017

• Completed an internship provided by the National Council for Rural Institutes(NCRI) in collaboration with the Department of Communication University of Hyderabad, under Friends of Marine Life(FML).

**International Film Festival of Kerala, Trivandrum** - Editorial Team Member, Editorial Assistant / Reporter

DECEMBER 2015, DECEMBER 2016,

- Editorial Team Member of 22nd International Film Festival of Kerala Daily Bulletin published by Kerala State Film Academy on behalf of Dept. of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala.
- Worked as Editorial assistant / Reporter to the Media Centre of the 21st International Film Festival of Kerala.

**Directed a Documentary about the upcoming Vizhinjam port** - Worked as the Scriptwriter, Background Researcher and Anchor of the project

**Worked on a Radio Feature** based on the life of the Banjara Tribal community in and around Hyderabad for Bol Hyderabad 90.4 FM.