

Name : DR. THOUNAOJAM RUHICHAND

Qualification : MLISc (Gold Medalist), NET, JRF, PhD

Designation : Assistant Professor

## Area of Interest

1. Lai Haraoba and other traditions of Umanglai.

- 2. Indigenous Religion of Meitei.
- 3. Customary Laws of Manipur.
- 4. Folklores of Manipur.
- 5. Ethnography of the Indigenous People of Manipur.

## Administration

- 1. Head in-charge from 17 Jan 2017 to December 2019.
- 2. Member of the Manipur University of Culture Library Committee since 2017.
- 3. Coordinator i/c of the Student Welfare Committee, MUC.
- 4. Department coordinator for the teachers, students and office (No.9/1/16-MUC (EXM) 15th January 2018.
- 5. Convener of the Internal Board of Studies, Department of Umanglai Haraoba.

## Associated with

- 1. Manipur University of Culture Teachers' Association (MUCTA)
- 2. Umanglai Kanba Apunba Lup (UKAL)
- 3. Advance Research Consortium, Manipur
- 4. Research Forum Manipur
- 5. Cultural Forum Manipur
- 6. Cultural and Historical Research Centre, Manipur
- 7. Utra Shanglen, Office of His Highness, The Maharaja (King) of Manipur, Royal Palace, Imphal
- 8. YelhouMee Thoupei, Manipur
- 9. Manipur Library Association (MALA)
- 10. Library and Information Science Students' Association, Manipur (LISSAM)

## Research Experiences

1. **Research Scholar** (JRF and SRF of UGC, New Delhi) under the title of the thesis- "Central Repository of the Traditional Knowledge of Manipur: A Study with special reference to Umanglai Culture" under the guidance of Prof. Th. Purnima Devi, in the Dept. of Library and Information Science, Manipur University (Registration no.2844/10 dated 04-08-2010).

- 2. **Research Consultant** in the UGC-Major Research Project: "**Documentation of Cultural Heritage of Manipur: A Study of Umanglai (Sacred Groove)**" undertaken by Dr. Th. Purnima Devi, Professor, Dept. of Library and Information Science, Manipur University in the year 2009-10.
- 3. **Research Consultant** in the Research Project: "The **Sacred Groves in Imphal West and Imphal East Districts of Manipur, North- East India" undertaken by Divisional Forest Officer, Central Forest Division, Govt. of Manipur in the year 2016.**

#### **Published Books**

- 1. Career Opportunities in Library and Information Science, 2015
- 2. Lai Haraoba and Human Society Vol.1,2018
- 3. Central Repository of the Umanglai Culture of Manipur, 2019

# Other Information

- 1. More than 35 Papers related with Art and cultures have been contributed in the Proceedings and Periodicals at various levels. More than 150 feature articles have also been published in various local newspapers.
- 2. ore than 40 conferences, seminars, workshops etc. at various rels have been Participated and presented more than 15 papers ter joining the Manipur University of Culture.
- 3. Participated a resource person in the awareness programs on Laiharaoba organized by UKAL and different Laiharaoba committees since 2011. So far more than 50 lectures have been delivered on the various topics of Umanglai culture.
- 4. Participated a resource person in the various discussion programmes of Umanglai culture on Radio Loktak, Radio Nongin, Mami TV, etc.

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