

**Name : Dr. WAMAN KESHAV LELE**

29-May-1933 to 13-Feb-2007

**Educational Qualifications :**

| Degree/Certificate     | University/Board        | Year | Class   |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------|---|
| Secondary School Cert. | Maharashtra State Board | 1950 | I Class   |
| B.A. (Special)*        | Bombay University       | 1954 | I Class with Honours  |
| M.A.*                  | Bombay University       | 1956 | I Class. Awarded N.C. Kelkar Gold Medal for being first in the University in Marathi. |
| Ph.D.                  | Pune University         | 1970 |   |

Ph.D. Dissertation : ‘Bharatiya Kavyashastrachi Utkranti’ (The Evolution of Indian Poetics). The dissertation was later published as a Research treatise. The Ph.D. examination was conducted by noted experts – Late Tarkateertha Lakshmanshastri Joshi and Late Prof. R. B. Athavale.

\* Did full-time job during the period of college education

**Professional Experience :**

1. Started the career in S.N.D.T. University, Mumbai with teaching Marathi, Sanskrit, General Education. Later, taught Marathi at various educational institutions in India. Total professional experience of 36 years is summarized below :
  - S.N.D.T. University, Mumbai (1957-‘61)
  - Shri Shivachhatrapati College, Junnar (1971-’72)
  - Ness Wadia College, Pune (1973-’76)
  - Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi (1961-’71 & 1976-’93). Retired as Professor of Marathi from Banaras Hindu University in June 1993, after working as the Head of the Department of Marathi for several years.
2. Introduced the subject of ‘Western Stylistics and its application’ in the M.A.(Marathi) syllabus of Banaras Hindu University and taught the same for many years.
3. Guided 3 Ph.D. students in Marathi and 2 Ph.D. students in Sanskrit. Three dissertations out of these have been published as books.
4. Worked as an examiner of M.Phil., Ph.D. and D.Litt. degrees for Jabalpur, Marathwada, Magadh, Pune, Nagpur, Delhi, Jivaji, Karnatak, BHU and Amaravati Universities during the period 1977 to 1993.
5. Acted as a member of the Selection committee for Marathi, of Nagpur, Pune and Aligadh Universities.
6. Delivered lectures as a guest speaker at Nagpur and Marathwada Universities under the scheme of University Grants Commission.

**Research areas of interest :**

1. Ancient Indian Literary Criticism
2. Western Stylistics
3. Medieval Marathi Poetry
4. Modern Marathi Prose
5. Methodology of Composition and Interpretation of Ancient Indian Scientific Treatises
6. Transformational Generative Grammar

**Published literature :**

1. Total 140 Research papers and articles (45 research papers + 95 articles). In Marathi – 120, in Hindi – 16 and in English – 4.
2. Books – 29 Nos : 24 in Marathi, 4 in English and 1 in Hindi.

**Summary of published books :**

| Sr. | Title of the Book  | Language | Year of publication |
|-----|--|----------|---------------------|
| 1   | Saamanyajnaana   | Marathi  | 1960                |
| 2   | Udgaara aaNi Bodhavachane  | Marathi  | 1964                |
| 3   | Uchcha Jeevanaachi Saadhana  | Marathi  | 1965                |
| 4   | Dharmabhoomi Bhaarata aaNi Itara LikhaaNa                          | Marathi  | 1965                |
| 5   | KavikaNthaabharaNa   | Marathi  | 1966                |
| 6   | Auchityasiddhaanta aaNi Auchityavicharacharchaa                    | Marathi  | 1966                |
| 7   | KalaadarpaNa   | Marathi  | 1966                |
| 8   | KavikaNthaabharaNa   | Hindi    | 1967                |
| 9   | Bhaartiya Kaavyashastraachi Utkraanti                              | Marathi  | 1970                |
| 10  | Kaletihaasa aaNi RasagrahaNa                                       | Marathi  | 1974                |
| 11  | Mukteshwarakrita Sphutakaavye                                      | Marathi  | 1975                |
| 12  | Kaavya, Shaastra va Samskriti                                      | Marathi  | 1976                |
| 13  | Vichaara aur Vivechana   | Hindi    | 1979                |
| 14  | Gajendramoksha   | Marathi  | 1981                |
| 15  | The Doctrine of the Tantrayuktis                                   | English  | 1981                |
| 16  | Kaavyasutrasamhitaa  | Marathi  | 1981                |
| 17  | Lalitalekhana va Shailee   | Marathi  | 1984                |
| 18  | Jnaaneshwareecha Shaastreeya Abhyaasa                              | Marathi  | 1986                |
| 19  | Vaagvilaasa  | Marathi  | 1988                |
| 20  | BhaaSha, Saahitya va Shaastra: Kaahi Vichaara                      | Marathi  | 1991                |
| 21  | Shaileeshaastrajna Bhaamaha  | Marathi  | 1995                |
| 22  | Shaakuntala : Shaileeshaastriya Abhyaasa                           | Marathi  | 1997                |
| 23  | Bhaamaha's Kaavyalankaara : A Stylistical and Methodological Study | English  | 1999                |
| 24  | Aaamhi Paahilele Swaami Vivekananda (in collaboration)             | Marathi  | 2000                |
| 25  | Kartabgaara Shilpakaara Keshav Baburao Lele                        | Marathi  | 2001                |
| 26  | Marathi Ingraji Vyaavahaarik Vaakyakosha                           | Marathi  | 2001                |
| 27  | Reflections on Creative Writing                                    | English  | 2003                |
| 28  | Vaakyakosha Bhaaga 2   | Marathi  | 2004                |
| 29  | BhaaShaa : Swaroopa, Saamarthya va Saundarya                       | Marathi  | 2005                |
| 30  | A Critical Study of Vaamana's KaavyalankaarasootraNi               | English  | 2005                |
| 31  | Methodology of Ancient Indian Sciences                             | English  | 2006                |
| 32  | Vaakyakosha Bhaaga 3   | Marathi  | 2006                |

**Note :**

Received partial publication grant from Ness Wadia College for item No. 11 above and partial and/or full publication grant from the U.G.C. through the B.H.U. for item Nos. 13, 14, 17, 18, 19 and 20 above. Besides, received a publication grant of Rs. 1000/- from the University of Poona for 14 above and a donation of Rs. 10000/- from late K.V. Devadhara for 21 above. The Central Government purchased 200, 100, 200, 200 and 200 copies of 21, 22, 23, 26 and 27 above through the Central

Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore and the Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Lucknow under the Government of India Scheme.

**Prizes and Awards received :**

1. Maharashtra Govt. State Award – 4 times : 1967-‘68, 1970-‘71, 1986-‘87 and 2004-‘05
2. Maharashtra Granthottejaka Samsthaa’s Prize -: 3 times : 1969, 1971 (Platinum Jubilee Special Prize), and 1976.
3. Pune University Best Thesis Prize : Dr. Y. V. Paranjape Prize for 1969-’70, and N.C. Kelkar Prize 1969-‘70
4. Dadoba Panduranga Tarkhadkar

**Achievements :**

Out of the several articles, research papers and books written by me, the most prominent are : Auchitya-Siddhanta ani Auchitya Vichararcha (1966), Bharatiya Kavyashastrachi Utkranti (1970), Kavya, Shastra va Samskriti (1976) , Vichara aur Vivechana (1979), The Doctrine of the Tantrayuktis (1981), Kavya-sutra-samhita (1981), Lalitlekhana va Shaili (1984), Jnaneshawaricha Shastriya Abhyasa (1986), Vagvilasa (1988) and Bhasha, Sahitya va Shastra (1991), Bhamaha’s Kavyalankara – A Stylistical and Methodological Study (1999), Reflections on Creative Writing (2003), Vakyakosha Part I & II (2002-2004).

I have discovered the methodology of ancient Indian theoretico-scientific compositions, bringing out its full implications. I have shown, for the first time, how to apply this methodology to ancient Indian texts with a view to precisely understanding and comprehensively interpreting them.

Today I hold life membership in the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, the Bharat Itihasa Samshodhaka Mandal, the Maharashtra Sahitya Parishad, the Brihan Maharashtra Mandal and the Maharashtra Samaj. In 1980, I served as president of the Lokmanya Tilak Library in Varanasi and in 1981 I was the president of Maharashtra Snehasamvardhak Mandal. I have, through the years, attended numerous professional conferences and seminars, also organizing a university seminar on “Saint Literature in Various Languages in India” for the Banaras Hindu University in 1989, in which I presented the papers “Literature of Marathi Saint Poets” and “Study of Comparative Literature”. I have delivered a number of lectures before academic and professional gatherings as well.

**A summary of work published in various references :**

1. Marathi Saraswat, Part II, Anamol Prakashan, Pune 1992
2. American Biographical Institute (ABI), North Carolina, USA, 1989 (second edition), 1991 (third edition), 1993 (fourth edition)
3. International Directory of Distinguished Leadership, ABI, USA, 1989 (second edition), 1991 (third edition), 1993 (fourth edition), 2003 (eleventh edition)
4. Third World Edition of International Book of Honor, ABI, USA, 1990 (third edition)
5. Most Admired Men and Women of the year 1992-93, ABI, USA, January 1994
6. Reference Asia Vol. VII, Rifacimento International, Delhi, 1992
7. Reference India Vol. I, Rifacimento International, Delhi, 1992
8. Biography International, Vol. III/IV, Historiette on Men and Women of Achievement, Delhi 1993 (second edition)
9. Five Hundred Leaders of Influence, ABI, USA, 1994
10. Indo-American Who’s Who, Famous India Publications, Delhi, 1994
11. Contemporary Who’s Who 2003-2004, ABI, USA, 2004

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