

Curriculum Vitæ of KUSHNI SAREN

Personal Details

Name: **Kushni Saren**

Designation: **Assistant Professor**

Department: **Rabindra Sangeet**

Faculty: **Fine Arts**

University: **Rabindra Bharati University**

Former Positions held: **Assistant Teacher of Music** for Higher Secondary level,
Purba Barasat Adarsha Vidyapeeth

Teaching Experience (in number of years): **14 years** (8 years as Assistant Teacher of
Music and 6 years as Assistant Professor)

Visiting fellow/ Professorships (National & International): Nil

Educational Qualifications: **M.Mus** (Master of Music), **B.Ed**

Areas of Interest/Specialisation: **Rabindra Sangeet**

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1. Publications

A. Book(s)/ Edited book(s)/ Monographs: Nil

B. Journal edited: Nil

C. Article(s)/ Book Chapter(s):

- Published article 'Rabindra Sangeete Jantranushonger Somosya' in 'Lokogandhar', an International Peer Reviewed Journal on Modern Research', impact factor- 3.57, ISSN – 2582-2705 in May, 2023. Link – <https://rb.gy/zke2d8>

D. Translations work(s): Nil

E. Article(s) in Newspaper/ Magazine:

- Published an article, 'Notun Surey, Notun Rupey' in a magazine, 'Hansadhwani' of Panchajonyo Prokashona, Kolkata in October, 2024.

F. Exhibition Catalogue(s)/ Exhibition review(s): Nil

G. Script/ Adaptation work/Director's note/ Drama Pamphlet: Nil

H. Playback Singing/ National & International Online Publications:

- Playback singer of film Teenkahon (2014) by Bouddhayan Mukherjee.
- Link - https://www.imdb.com/name/nm6232359/#music_department
- Playback singer of film Chandalika (for Prakriti's mother) by Inner Eye Ltd, 52 Chiltern.Road, Sutton, Surrey SM2 RD, UK. which had its world premiere on 8 May 2011 as the closing event of the Tagore weekend organised by the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust to mark the birth anniversary.
Link - <https://kaberri.innereye.eu/tagore-dance-film-trilogy/chandalika/>
- Playback singer of film Chitangada by Inner Eye Ltd, UK.
Link - <https://kaberri.innereye.eu/tagore-dance-film-trilogy/chitrangada/>
- Playback singer of film Shyama by Inner Eye Ltd, UK.
Link - <https://kaberri.innereye.eu/tagore-dance-film-trilogy/shyama/>
- A number of impeccably sung Rabindra Sangeets have been published/ being published in the online platform <https://www.youtube.com/> under the channel <https://www.youtube.com/@kushnisaren>.
- Playback singer for Prakriti of film Chandalika published (2005) by Bihaan Music.
Link - <https://bihaanmusic.com/product.php?pid=439>

2. Papers Presented in National/ International Seminars/Conferences:

- Paper Presenter since 2023 in the international seminar series "The Quest of Tagore's Music Along The Seven Oceans Over The Ten Skylines": - Part-1 (2023): "Notun Sure, Notun Rupe" - Part-2 (2024): "Rabindranather Ritur Gane Gane Prakritipath" - Part-3 (2025): "Rabindranather Gramonnayoner Chetonar Proteek Holokarshon Utsab".
- Presented "Rabindra Sangeete Jantranushonger Samosya" - International Seminar "Theme Music, Media Music: Illustration, Creation and Improvisation", Department of Instrumental Music, RBU (March 2023).

3. Invited Speaker / Resource Person / Chaired Sessions in National/ International Seminars/ Conferences/ Conventions/ Workshops/ FDPs etc.:

- **Resource Person/ invited trainer at a 04-day workshop of Rabindra Sangeet** at Bishnupur, Bankura district. The workshop was organized by Poshchim Bango Tothyo O Sangsktiti Bibhag, Government of West Bengal from 24.07.2025 to 27.07.2025.

4. Organised Seminar/ Conferences/ Exhibitions/ Workshops/FIP/ FDPs etc.:

Member of organizing team for annual National & International Seminars, Department of Rabindra Sangeet, RBU.

- Organised international seminar series “The Quest of Tagore’s Music Along The Seven Oceans Over The Ten Skylines”: – Part-1 (2023), Part-2 (2024) and Part-3 (2025)
- Arranged an international workshop of Rabindra Sangeet and Nazrulgeeti organized by Department of Rabindra Sangeet, Rabindra Bharati University in May, 2024.
- Arranged an international workshop of Rabindra Sangeet organized by Department of Rabindra Sangeet, Rabindra Bharati University on 23.04.2025.
- Organized as a team member with Sensei Soumen Chatterjee (black belt) a Karate workshop under ‘Project Jagriti’ for students with a view to raise confidence, self-defense in July, 2025.

5. Participated in Seminars/ Conferences/ Exhibitions/ Workshops:

- Participated in an international workshop of Rabindra Sangeet and Nazrulgeeti organized by Department of Rabindra Sangeet, Rabindra Bharati University in May, 2024.
- Participated in an international workshop of Rabindra Sangeet organized by Department of Rabindra Sangeet, Rabindra Bharati University on 23.04.2025.
- Participated in a workshop on Gender Sensitization in March, 2023 organized by Internal Quality Assurance Cell and Women’s Study Centre, RBU.
- Participated in international seminar series “The Quest of Tagore’s Music Along The Seven Oceans Over The Ten Skylines”: – Part-1 (2023), Part-2 (2024) and Part-3 (2025).
- Participated in international seminar ‘The Songs of Bijoy Sarkar’ organized by the Department of Vocal Music, RBU in September, 2022.
- Participated in international seminar ‘Jorasanko O Shantiniketan’ organized by the Department of Bengali, RBU in March, 2023.
- Participated in international seminar ‘Theme Music, Media Music: Illustration, Creation and Improvisation’ organized by the Department of Instrumental Music, RBU in March, 2023.
- Participated and performed as a distinguished artist in the 2nd International Congress of Indian Musicology and Performing Arts (ICIMPA) 2025, organized by Department of Musicology, RBU in collaboration with Muktabodha: Centre for Indological Studies and Research, in March, 2025.

6. Programmes/ Performances (online or offline) Participated/ Organised:

- Performed Rabindra Sangeet as guest artist for Online Closing Ceremony of Golden Jubilee Cultural Program organized by 'Rabiranjani' (an organization run by disciples of Sailajaranjan Majumdar) on 14.02.2021.
- Performed Rabindra Sangeet in Akashvani Kolkata's Geetanjali and Sanchayita channels in October, 2016.
- Performed Rabindra Sangeet in Akashvani Kolkata's Geetanjali and Maitree channels in October, 2017.
- Performed Rabindra Sangeet in Akashvani Kolkata's Sanchayita and Maitree channels in February, 2020.
- Performed Rabindra Sangeet in Akashvani Kolkata's Geetanjali and Sanchayita channels in November, 2023.
- Arranged, scripted and performed on a regular basis every year since joining Rabindra Bharati University in 2019 in four annual occasions viz. Barshobaron, Tagore's birth anniversary, Tagore's death anniversary at Jorasanko Thakurbari and also performed each year at Tagore's birth anniversary celebration organized by Tathya O Sanskriti Bibhag, Government of West Bengal.
- Performed solo and chorus Rabindra Sangeet as a member of 'Samabeto Shantiniketan' in the Geeti Alekhyia 'Bhanusingho O Rabindranath' organized by EZCC at Srijani Shilpagram, Shantiniketan in February, 2023.
- Performed as the guest artist in the Birth Centenary Celebration of renowned writer Samaresh Basu, organized by Nabakumar Basu at South City auditorium, Kolkata in December, 2023.
- Performed as a guest artist in the International Kolkata Book Fair, 2024, organized by West Bengal Commission for Women.
- Performed as a guest artist at the 40th Asansol Book Fair, organized by Yuba Shilpi Sangsad, Asansol in February, 2024.
- Felicitated own guru Smt. Bulbul Basu through solo Rabindra Sangeets at Srijani Shilpagram, Shantiniketan, in a program 'Music for Harmony' organized by Naad Foundation, Kolkata in November, 2024.
- Solo performer at Birthday Celebration program of renowned writer Shakti Chattopadhyay at Poshchim Bango Bangla Academy, Tothyo O Sanskriti Bibhag, Government of West Bengal in November, 2024.
- Performed Rabindra Sangeet as a guest artist in 4th International Bengali Convention organized by Bangla Worldwide at Suresh Neotia Centre of Excellence for Leadership, Kolkata in February, 2025.
- Performed Rabindra Sangeet in 125th Birth Anniversary of renowned guru and exponent Shailajaranjan Majumdar by 'Samabeto Shantiniketan' organized by Acharja Shailajaranjan Majumdar 125 Tamo Janmobarshiki Udjapon Samiti and Sangeet Bhavana, Visva-Bharati in March, 2025.
- Performed Rabindra Sangeet in Akashvani Kolkata's Geetanjali and Atulprasadi in Akashvani Kolkata's Sanchayita channel in October, 2025.

- Performed in Independence Day Celebration with students at RBU campus organized by the Department of Rabindra Sangeet on 15th August, 2025.
- Participated and performed in Rabindranath Tagore's 'Tasher Desh', organized and staged by the faculty of Department of Rabindra Sangeet, RBU.
- Performing Rabindra Sangeet on a regular basis on the occasions of Rabindra Janmotsab, Bangla Sangeet Mela and Tagore's Death Anniversary organized by Tothyo O Sanskriti Bibhag, Government of West Bengal.

7. Artist Camp / Artist Residences Participated/ Organised: Nil

8. No. of Research Project(s): Completed: Nil **Ongoing:** Nil

9. Mention the Details of Research Project(s): NA

10. No. of Ph.D. Guidance: **Awarded:** Nil **Ongoing:** Nil

11. No. of M.Phil. Guidance: Nil

12.

Till date participated in Faculty Development Programs (FDP) (RC/ OP/ FIP/ Short Term Course) (online or offline):					
Sl. No	Title or Theme of the FDP	Name of the Organizer	Place of the FDP	Start date (dd/mm/yyyy)	End date (dd/mm/yyyy)
1.	UGC-sponsored Faculty Induction Programme-14	HRDC, Kumaun University, Nainital	Online	01.12.2022	31.12.2022
2.	UGC-sponsored Short-Term Course on Human Rights	HRDC, Kumaun University, Nainital	Online	15.03.2024	21.03.2024

13. Responsibilities and Experiences in Academic Administration: Nil

A. Within the Campus: NA

B. Beyond Campus: NA

14. Achievements as Teacher / Performer:

- Got interviewed in the program 'Gaan Amaar Gaan Tomar' in Akashvani Kolkata's FM Rainbow channel in October, 2015.
- Got interviewed by Dr. Manaspratim Das, in Akashvani Maitree, in the occasion of Tagore's Birth Anniversary in May, 2024.

15. Patents/ Awards/ Recognitions:

- Awarded National Scholarship in Rabindra Sangeet, Ministry of Culture, Government of India.
- Awarded B-High Grade as an artist in Rabindra Sangeet, All India Radio (Akashvani) Kolkata (2014).
- Approved Regular Artist for Atulprasadi (2024) and Dwijendrageeti (2025), All India Radio Kolkata.

16. Other Academic Activities:

- Achieved Level-1 and Level-2 Certificate in Santali Language from School of Languages and Culture, Rabindra Bharati University.