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Dr. Naresh Kumar is Professor & Chairperson at Centre for Diaspora Studies (Independent Centre), Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar. He is teaching and research of Migration & Diaspora of M.Phil./Ph.D. research scholars in CDS, Since 2011. He educated his B.A.(H) degree in Geography, BRAC, University of Delhi. M.A., M.Phil. & Ph.D. degree in Geography & Population Studies) from CSRD, SSS, Jawahar Lal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi. His major research works involved around Migration (Internal/International), Indian Diaspora & Development, Issues of emigration/Immigration, Migration and Diaspora Governance. Social Demography/Population & Development/Social Demography/Studies, Cultural Studies, Caste & Marginality, Refugees, Social Network & Transnationalism, Methods & Methodologies in Migration, Diaspora, and Social Research.

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He has visited abroad South Africa, US, U.K., Thailand, and South Korea for participation in international academic forum. He has associated with different academic capacities BIARI (Brown University, USA), Gujarat Public Service Commission (GPSC), US Fulbright Scholastic Support, ICM (MEA, Govt. of India), NAAC (CUG).

At present Dr. Naresh Kumar is engaged as Director in ICSSR major Project "Impact of Gujarati Diaspora & Transnational Social Network in Development Process in Gujarat: A Study of Mehsana, Anand, Kutch, and Gandhinagar District".

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He has published more than 21 research paper, articles/ book chapters in internationally reputed journals or peer-reviewed UGC-listed journals and participated more than 50 academic national/international conferences/workshops/seminar. He has invited as Ph.D. external expert examiner, resource person/distinguished expert on the various issues on migration and diaspora in HEI of India.

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