

Personal Profile

Dr.Raja Shekhar Geddada is a Sr. Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of English at Government Degree College for (M), in Srikakulam district of AP. He is on UGC scales drawing (AGP-8000) academic level 12, since Jan 1st 2021.He did his MPhil & PhD in ELE from **CIEFL & EFL University**, Hyderabad in the years 2006 & 2011 respectively. He worked as Assistant Professor at **GITAM University** prior to joining as a regular Asst. Professor on UGC scales, through APPSC Degree College Lecturer exam, at Govt. Degree College, V.Madugula **on Jan1st 2013**. His **doctoral project** focuses on exploring various strategies to enhance Learner Autonomy in all the language skills in general and writing in specific. **His M.Phil thesis** explores various ways and strategies to understand the nuances of Reading in an ESL classroom. He has to his credit of working 13 years in **India and 2 years abroad (Libya)** gaining enormous experience teaching in **ESL and EFL** contexts. He has published research papers, presented papers at national and international seminars and conferences and been a resource person many academic programs. He has also **written lessons for Communication Skills Project** initiated by APSCHE in the year 2021 and **developed curriculum and designed syllabus for UG new major papers in English as part of NEP-20**.He is recognised as **Research Guide by the Andhra University** and presently guiding **three doctoral scholars**. His areas of specialisation include Second Language Acquisition, Applied Linguistics, and English for specific purposes, Learner autonomy, Bilingual methodology, English Literature, Pedagogy of the oppressed and so on.

Educational Qualifications

July 2008-11	Ph.D. (<i>English Language Education</i>) , at <i>EFL University, Hyderabad</i> .
July 2004-06	M.Phil (<i>English Language Teaching</i>) Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages (CIEFL), Hyderabad. PGCTE courses as a part of coursework. Main Courses: English for specific purposes, Literature

	courses, Language testing, Curriculum design and materials production, Writing skills, Media in foreign language teaching, Oral communication and presentation skills.
2000- 2002	M.A (English) from Andhra University, AUMSNPG Centre, Kakinada, East Godavari, AP. Main courses: Literature and Linguistic papers

Hallmarks

- Completed an Orientation Programme at **HCU**, and 2 Refresher courses at **Andhra University** and one at **MANUU, Hyderabad**.
- Been a **Lesson writer** for Communication Skills book initiated by APSCHE in 2021 and also nominated by **APSCHE for Curriculum development and syllabus design** for the new major system for AP.
- Attended and actively participated in three **ELF** (English Language Fellow) workshops conducted by the Commissionerate of Collegiate Education, A.P. in collaboration with **RELO**(Regional English Language Office, American Embassy).
- Done Live Telecast presentations on various language issues at **MANA TV Studios**.
- I have delivered **five** sessions as a **Resource Person** on lecturer's orientation program and refresher courses at **HRDC, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam**.
- I have delivered two sessions as a Resource **Person** on Reading and Writing for the Polytechnic lecturers at **HRDC, Osmania University, Telangana**. I was a resource person for a refresher course conducted by Dept. of English, OU, Hyd. I was also invited as an **Inaugural speaker** for **International Conference on Linguistics at OU, Hyd**.
- I have conducted a daylong **workshop at NIT Warangal** for finishing school Training Programme
- Participated in a Three-Day National workshop on Communication Skills **for Effective Teaching at NIT, Warangal** in Feb, 2017
- Participated in a One Week Orientation Workshop on "OER, Content Development, MOOCS & MOODLE at **NIT Warangal** from 26th October to 31st, 2018.
- Successfully completed a Two-week online FDP conducted by **NIT, Tiruchirappalli on CPD in July, 2021**

- Rendered services as **NJKC Coordinator (2017-23)** (A training and Placement Officer) for the entire Visakhapatnam district for the last six years and conducted more than 25 job drives placing hundreds of graduates in various companies.
- I have **invited international resource persons** and **conducted workshops** from Sri Lanka, Australia, and Nepal for training and Placement of students.
- I delivered an online talk to the **University of Jaffna, Srilanka** and also been a resource person for a national webinar conducted at Dr.VSK GDC (A), Visakhapatnam. I was also invited as a resource person for a language workshop at **Gayatri Vidya Parishad** , Visakhapatnam.
- I was nominated and invited as **doctoral committee member for a PhD viva-voce at Andhra University**
- I have been nominated as an **organizing chair and research paper reviewer** for National Seminar “**Design Thinking**” organized by Andhra University in 2023.
- I was nominated as an **Academic Advisor for an academic audit** and visited various colleges across AP.
- Selected as a **Master Trainer** to train Lecturers at colleges by CCE, Hyd. since 2013.
- Been an **Associate Editor** for an International Journal named Scholar critic.
- Selected as **Master Trainer** by the **British Council** for the prestigious collaborative project of APSCHE & British Council “**Andhra Pradesh Higher Education English Communication Skills- 2017**”. As a part of the project I underwent training for twelve days from British Council and cascaded the same training to faculty from VIET (Visakha Institute of Engineering & Technology) , VIT (Vignan Institute of Technology) and Simhadri Institute of Engineering and Technology.
- Been a regular **Resource person for APHRDI**, Andhra Pradesh and conducted more than 15 sessions for government employees across AP.
- Recipient of **Ford Scholarship** during MPhil research Programme for the year 2005-2006.
- Recipient of **Certificate of appreciation** from the President of University, for working two years at Al-Merqib University ,**Libya. North Africa.**
- **A paper setter** for Undergraduates at Adikavi Nannya university , Central Tribal University and many others

Research Publications

- 1) Critical Pedagogy as an Emancipative Paradigm to Revamp Higher Education, Scholar Critic, Vol-01, Issue -02, December 2014, ISSN 23486937.
- 2) The Element of Personification of Nature in the Poems of Harindranath Chattopadhyaya. Nature & Environment in Literature, March 2015, ISBN: 978-81-928358-7-7
- 3) Facilitating Learner Autonomy in Writing through Multiple Intelligences in an ESL Context: A Case Study, A Journal of Composition Theory, Vol XII, Issue VII, July 2019, ISSN 0731-6755
- 4) Rethinking Teaching and Research: The Dual Perspective for Teacher Efficacy, Journal of Critical Reviews, Vol.7, Issue 18,2020, ISSN-5125.
- 5) Linguistic Theories in Understanding Second Language Acquisition and Its Implications in English Language Teaching, Alochana Chakra Journal, Vol IX, Issue VI , June 2020, ISSN:2231-3990
- 6) Using Mind Modelling as a Strategy For Teaching ESL Reading : A Study, International Journal of Early Childhood Special Education (INT-JECSE), Vol.13,Issue 02,2021.
- 7) Second Language Teaching Through Cognitive Approach: Embracing Socio-Cultural Milieus, International Journal of Humanities, Law and Social Sciences, Kanpur Publishers, Vol.VIII, Issue1, 2021, ISSN 2348-8301.
- 8) The Effect of Strategy Instruction on Teaching Reading. RES MILITARIS , Vol.12, Issue 6(2022) ISSN: 2265-6294.
- 9) Achieving Learner Autonomy through Information and Communication Technologies at Rajiv Gandhi University of Technologies : A comprehensive Study, Compendium of Research Insights in Social Sciences & Education,(CRISSE) ISBN: 978-167-6527-48-0, 2022.

- 10) Value Education through Extension Activities: An Overview, International Journal of English Literature, Language, & Skills, Vol.12, Issue-3/October 2023, ISSN:2278-0742.
- 11) Second Language Perspectives on Reading in the Writing Classroom. Educational Administration: Theory and Practice, 2023,29(4), 2491-2494, ISSN:2148-2403.
- 12) Enhancing the English Language Teaching and Learning Practices in the Pre-University (Intermediate) and B.Tech Programs:A Comprehensive study on the Influence of ICT with a special focus on RGUKT , Andhra Pradesh, Journal of the Maharaja Sayaji Rao University of Baroda, Vol-57 No.9 2023, ISSN: 0025-0422.
- 13) Enhancing Critical Thinking through Integration of Critical Pedagogy In the Post-Method Classroom Context. Educational Administration : Theory and Practice, 2023, 29(3),747-749, ISSN:2148-2403
- 14) The Effect of IEPC Strategy Instruction on Teaching ESL Reading: A Study, Library Progress International, Vol.44, No.3, Jul-Dec 2024: P.774-778, ISSN:2320 317X (online).

Workshops attended at National & International Level

S.No	Name of the Workshop	Name of the Sponsoring Agency	Place and Date
1	Attended three day National workshop on 'Communication Skills for Effective Teaching in Higher Education	National Level workshop, PMMMMNMTT, MHRD	National Institute of Technology, Warangal. 24 th -26 February
2	Attended One Day workshop on English Language and Literature	National Level workshop Organized by Dept. of Humanities and social sciences, AU	Andhra University College of Engineering 21 march, 2017

3	Attended 2 Day workshop Research Communication : The Craft of Writing, Editing and Publishing	AICTE , New Delhi	Gayatri Vidya Parishad College of Engineering 3 rd to 4 th February, 2017
4	UGC sponsored One Day State Level Seminar on “Language Skills-Employment Opportunities	State Level Seminar UGC	15th December , 2016 , Languages Association & Career guidance cell, Government college (Autonomous) , Rajamahendravaram
5	One Day workshop on UGC Schemes & Guidelines organised by	Commissionerate of Collegiate Education, Govt. of AP	Dr.V.S. Krishna College (A), Visakhapatnam on 06-07-2015
6	International workshop on Teaching and Researching on English Language Studies	Department of HSS, AUCE(A), AU, Visakhapatnam	AU College of Engineering, ANDHRA UNIVERSITY on 22 nd February 2016.
7	International Conference on Buddhism and Establishment of Democratic Society-The Way Forward	ICSSR Sponsored	Department of Anthropology, Andhra University , on 15-16 November 2015
8	Two- Day National workshop on English Language Teaching: A Socio-Linguistic Approach To Skill Development	APSCH –RUSA	Vikarama Simhapuri University, Nellore during 01-02 November 2016
9	National Workshop on Soft Skills -Enduing Trainers	Supported by TEQIP	Department of HSS, Andhra University College of Engineering, (A), AU, Visakhapatnam on 09 th January, 2014.

10	National Workshop on English Language Teaching: A Blended Approach	College of Engineering, Andhra University	Department of HSS,AU, Visakhapatnam on 18 th August 2014

Paper Presentations at State, National and International Conferences and Seminars

- 1) Presented a paper Titled “Second Language Perspectives on Reading in the Composition Classroom ”at an International Seminar on Applied Linguistics at Nagarjuna University during 15-18 December 2010.
- 2) Presented a paper in an International Teacher Educators Conference “English Language Teacher Education in a Diverse Environment” Hyderabad, conducted by EFLU and British Council during 16-18 March 2013.
- 3) Participated at a First International English Language Teacher Educators’ Conference “Starting, Stimulating and Sustaining: English Language Teacher Education and Development” at Hyderabad conducted by EFLU & British Council during 22-24 January 2011.
- 4) Presented a paper at 58th All India English Teachers’ Conference on the theme “New Dimensions in English Studies” organised by Department of English, Andhra University, and Visakhapatnam during 27-29 December, 2013.
- 5) Presented a Paper at Two Day National Seminar on “Reviewing The Teaching OF Communication Skills” conducted by Govt. Degree& P.G. College , Bhadrachalam, Khammam Distrcet , Telangana State ,during 30-31 January 2016.
- 6) Presented a Paper at an International Interdisciplinary Conference on “Language, Literature, Culture Studies and Knowledge Resources (LLCSKR-2015)” held at Vignan’s University, Vadlamudi on 5th and 6th February, 2015.
- 7) Presented a paper a NAAC sponsored State Level Seminar on “Quality Consciousness: A Paradigm Shift in Higher Learning Government

Institutions” at Dr.V.S.Krishna Govt. Degree College (A) Visakhapatnam during 22nd and 23rd March 2013.

- 8) Presented a paper at a National Seminar entitled “ Sahityam Lo Prakriti, Paryavaranam’, Nature and Environment in Literature ”. It was conducted by Departments of Hindi, Telugu and English of Visakha Govt. Degree & P.G. college for Women in collaboration with DALITA SAHITYA PEETAM on 2nd December 2014.
- 9) Presented a paper on “ Language Skills –Employment Opportunities at a State Level Seminar Conducted at Govt. Degree College, Rajamahendravaram on 15th Dec, 2016
- 10) Presented a paper on “English Language Teaching : A Blended Approach , at National Seminar Conducted at Swamy Vidyaprakasananda Govt. Degree College , Sri Kala Hasti, on 19th April -2017.
- 11) Presented a paper on “Dynamic Trends in Literature and Language Pedagogy” a National Seminar at Govt. Degree College (A) ,Tuni, E.G. District on 3rd March 2018.
- 12) Presented a paper on “Relevance of Ambedkarism for Social Transformation in Contemporary India” National Seminar Conducted at Dr. V.S. Krishna Govt. Degree College (A) on 30th & 31st July 2019.
- 13) Presented a paper on “Linguistic Theories in Understanding Second Language Acquisition and Its Implications in English Language Teaching”, at an International Seminar on Linguistic Theories , Law , Life & Languages , Osmania University, Hyderabad, on 11-13th Jan,2020. (**Also been a Plenary Speaker for the same**)
- 14) Presented a paper XXXVIII Annual Conference of Andhra Pradesh Economic Association – ICSSR Sponsored at Dr. V.S. Krishna Govt. Degree College (A) on 08th & 09th of February 2020.
- 15) Presented a paper on “NEP-2020 & the future of Higher Education : Post Covid Scenario” at national Level AIFUCTO Statutory Conference at SV University, Tirupathi on 07th -9th January 2022. (**Also been a moderator for almost all the session**)
- 16) Presented a paper at an “International Conference on Calamity and Catastrophe in World Literature in English” conducted by Dept.of English , Andhra University on 28th March, 2022.

Participation in Academic Discourse as Resource Person

- 1) Invited as a **Resource person** for workshop conducted for Lecturers on Phonetics and Revision Strategies for Students conducted by CCE on 11th & 12th of November 2014 at S.R.R. & C.V.R. Govt. Degree College, Vijayawada
- 2) Invited as a **Resource person** for Two –day workshop conducted for lecturers on Strategies to Improve English Speaking Skills of students conducted by CCE on 17th & 18th of December 2014 at Visakha Govt. Degree & PG College For Women, Visakhapatnam
- 3) Invited as a **Resource Person** for Two day Teachers’ Orientation Program – Think... Opt.. Proceed. 24-04-19 to 25-04-19 conducted by Gayatri Vidya Parishad College for Degree & P.G.Courses (A). VSKP on . 24th & 25th of April, 2019.
- 4) Selected as **Master Trainer/ Resource Person** by the British Council for the prestigious collaborative project of APSCHÉ & British Council “Andhra Pradesh Higher Education English Communication Skills-2018”.
- 5) Regularly conducts sessions as **Resource Person** at Andhra Pradesh Human Resource Development Institute (APHRDI) Visakhapatnam since 2017. So far more than twenty sessions have been done on Writing skills, Communication Skills, Presentation Skills, Phonetics, Soft Skills, Citizen Centric Behaviour, Role Efficacy etc..
- 6) Invited as a **Resource Person** to speak on "Soft Skills" by the Department of Commerce at Government Degree college, Narsipatnam., Visakhapatnam on 4th November,2019
- 7) Invited as a **Resource Person** for a RUSA sponsored training program for students on Reading Skills at ASD government Degree College for women in Kakinada on 11-09-19.
- 8) Invited as a **Plenary Speaker / Resource Person** for an International Seminar on Linguistic Theories, law, Life & Language. 11-13 Jan 2020, Osmania University, Hyderabad.

- 9) Invited as a **Resource Person** for National Level Multi-Disciplinary Webinar on “Impact of Covid-19 on Indian Economy –Some Challenging Issues” organized by Dr. V.S.Krishna Govt. Degree & PG College (A), Visakhapatnam on 23rd May, 2020.
- 10) Invited as a **Resource Person** for an International Webinar on “Promoting Critical Thinking through Reading Strategies” organized by Jaffna Science Association, Sri Lanka on 30th June 2021.
- 11) Invited as a **Resource Person** for an Online Extension Lecture on “Vishwakavi Rabindranath Tagore” conducted by SRR Govt. ARTS & SCIENCE College (A), Karimnagar on 7th May,2022.
- 12) Invited as a Resource Person by the **UGC HRDC –Osmania University** to conduct two sessions on Writing Technical Report and Reading Strategies for the Polytechnic Lecturers of Telangana State on 17th June of 2022.
- 13) Invited as a Resource Person by the **UGC HRDC –Andhra University** to deliver a session on Bloom’s Taxonomy and Student Centred Teaching to the newly recruited faculty of Degree Colleges of AP as a part of their Induction Programme on 29th June 2022.
- 14) Invited as a Resource Person by the **American Corner at Andhra University** to deliver a talk on “ July 4th and Its Impact on India” on 06th July,2022.
- 15) Invited as a Resource Person by the **UGC HRDC –Andhra University** to deliver a session on “Critical Pedagogy” to faculty of Degree Colleges of AP as a part of their Orientation Course on 28th July 2022.
- 16) Delivered two sessions on as a Resource Person for Business Communication Skills and Writing Communication, on ToT Prorammes for the faculty of Degree Colleges conducted at Dr.V S Krishna Govt Degree College(A), Visakhapatnam on 04/08/2022 and 05/08/2022.