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Biography:

Assistant Professor **Sombat Mangmeesuksiri, Ph.D.** is a member of the Department of Oriental Languages, the Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University, Bangkok, Thailand. Earlier, he was the director of Sanskrit Studies Centre (SSC), Silpakorn University, Bangkok, Thailand for three terms during 2009 to 2012.

Dr. **Sombat Mangmeesuksiri** at the age of 13 was ordained as Buddhist novice and later Buddhist monk to study Pali and Buddhist Studies in monastery named 'Wat Daowadeungsaram' in Bangkok for 14 years. He acquired the highest grade in Pali (Pali Grade IX) in Thailand known as Thai Ecclesiastical Education in 1991 and Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy from Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University, Bangkok in the same year. He also received his Master's degree in Sanskrit from Silpakorn University, Bangkok in 1994.

In 1995 he joined the Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University as a lecturer of Sanskrit, Buddhism and Thai Dialect. Then, he went to study for Ph.D. in 1998 and received Ph.D. in Sanskrit from the University of Delhi, India in 2002. He wrote his thesis on the topic: "A Comparative Study of the Maya Theory in Shankara's Philosophy and the Langkavatarasutra." He has written many articles on his special area of research, Buddhism and the Sanskrit text, as well as on other topics.

In 2015, he was the Deputy Secretary of the organizing committee of the 16th World Sanskrit Conference, which was held in Bangkok, Thailand in honour of Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn on her Auspicious Diamond Jubilee Birth Anniversary, during June 28 - July 2, 2015.

Dr. **Sombat Mangmeesukhsiri** remains at Bangkok throughout his teaching career. He also has been served as Guest Professor at Mahachulalongkorn Buddhist University and Mahamakuta Buddhist University. He was also invited to participate several great seminars and conferences in abroad to exchange his expertise in Buddhism and Sanskrit Studies.

Education:

1. Ordained as a novice during 1982-1991
2. Ordained as a monk during 1991-1995
3. Received a Bachelor's Degree of Pali Level IX, from Institute of Thai Buddhist Sangha in 1991
4. Received B.A. (Philosophy), from Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University, Bangkok in 1991
5. Received M.A. (Sanskrit), from Silpakorn University, Thailand in 1994
6. Received Ph.D. (Sanskrit), from the University of Delhi, India in 2002

Experience in Teaching and Administration:

1. Worked as a Lecturer of Pali-Sanskrit, Member of the Department of Oriental Languages, Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University, Thai Government officer, in 1995 - 2006
2. Worked as an Assistant Professor of Pali-Sanskrit, Member of the Department of Oriental Languages, Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University, Thai Government officer, since 2006 - present
3. Served as a Deputy Head of the Department of Oriental Languages, Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University, Thai Government officer, in 2002 - 2003
4. Served as a Deputy Dean of Administrative affairs of the Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University, Thai Government officer, in 2004 - 2007
5. Served as a Director of Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University, (during 2009-2012)
6. Teaching Sanskrit in M.A. and Ph.D. levels at the Department of Oriental Languages, Silpakorn University, the first of Thai Universities that teach Sanskrit in the highest level from 1995.
7. Promotion of Sanskrit and Hindi teaching for the students of Silpakorn University as well as for the public at Bangkok, Thailand.
8. Promotion of Indian Culture and Sanskrit Heritage with Thai -Bharat Cultural Lodge, Bangkok.
9. Guest Lecturer of Hinduism and Mahayana Buddhism at Mahidol University, Salaya Campus, Nakhon Pathom Province

Editorial Experiences

1. Joint Editor, **THAI PRAJÑĀ** - International Journal of Indology and Culture of Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University and the Department of Oriental Languages, Silpakorn University, Volume 1, 2017.
2. Joint Editor, **THAI PRAJÑĀ** - International Journal of Indology and Culture of Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University and the Department of Oriental Languages, Silpakorn University, Volume 2, 2018.
3. Joint Editor, **THAI PRAJÑĀ** - International Journal of Indology and Culture of Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University and the Department of Oriental Languages, Silpakorn University, Volume 3, 2019.
4. Editorial Board, Proceedings of The International Conference "Sanskrit in Southeast Asia: The Harmonizing Factor of Cultures" organized by Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University and the Department of Oriental Languages, Silpakorn University, from May 21 to 23, 2001.
5. Editorial Board. The Sanskrit Studies Centre Journal: An annual publication on research subject related to Sanskrit. Bangkok: Sanskrit Studies Centre, Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University. Vol. I, 2005., Vol. II, 2006., Vol. III, 2007., Vol. IV, 2008.
6. Advisors Board. Abhishecanam : An International Refereed Biannual Sanskrit Research Journal, New Delhi, India, 2018.
7. Advisors Board. Abhyudayah : An International Refereed Biannual Sanskrit Research Journal, New Delhi, India, 2018.

International Seminars and Conferences attended

1. The International Sanskrit Conference on "Sanskrit in Southeast Asia: The Harmonizing Factor of Cultures." organized by Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University, on May 21-23, 2001, In Bangkok, Thailand.
2. The International Sanskrit Conference on "Sanskrit in Asia: The Unity in Diversity." organized by Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University, on June 23-26, 2005, In Bangkok, Thailand.
3. The Gerini International Siamese Studies Conference on 'G.E. Gerini and the Mosaic of Genius'. A Seminar organized by the Faculty of Archaeology, Bangkok, Thailand on March 4-6, 2005.
4. The International Seminar on 'Indo - Thai Historical and Cultural Linkages' organized by ICCR and Royal Thai Embassy, New Delhi, on September 4-5, 2005.
5. The 13th World Sanskrit Conference organized by the International Association of Sanskrit Studies (IASS) and the University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland on July 10-14, 2006.
6. The International Conference on "Buddhist links between India and Vietnam" organized by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, India in coordination with the Vietnam Buddhist Sangha and Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences, Hanoi, Vietnam on April 6-8, 2011.

7. The 14th World Sanskrit Conference organized by the International Association of Sanskrit Studies (IASS) and the Indian Government at Vijnan Bhavan, New Delhi, India on January 5-10, 2012.
8. The 7th Biennial Conference on 'Buddhist Texts in Translation' Organized by K. J. Somaiya Centre for Buddhist Studies Jointly with Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi (Deemed University under Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India) and Nava Nalanda Mahavihara, Nalanda at Mumbai on December 5-7, 2012.
9. The international conference on the theme "Southeast Asian Cultural Value: Community and Destiny" organized by KFAS and ARC-RAC at Siem Reap, Cambodia, on December 4-5, 2014.
10. The international Seminar on "Sanskrit through Maritime route" organized by Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, New Delhi at New, India on February 26-27, 2015.
11. The 16th World Sanskrit Conference organized by the International Association of Sanskrit Studies (IASS) and Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University, Bangkok, Thailand on June 28-July 2, 2015.
12. The International Seminar on "Sanskrit in World, the World in Sanskrit" organized by the Department of Sanskrit, Doctor Harisingh Gour University (A Central University), Sagar, M.P., India on March 16-18, 2018.
13. The International Conference on "Angkor Wat: The Monument and the Living Presence", organized by Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, New Delhi, India on March 28-31, 2018.

Research in Thai

1. "A Critical Study of Prasat Ta Meun inscriptions" a research supported by Research and Creative Fund, Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University, 2009-2012.
2. "An Analytical Study of Pali and Sanskrit Loan words in the textbooks entitled 'Vannagadeevicak' used in the high school grade 7 to 12" a research supported by Sanskrit Studies Foundation under the Royal Patronage of H.R.H. Princess Maha Chakri Sirindorn and the Faculty of Archaeology, Silpakorn University, 2018.
3. "Designing the plans of the Archaeological sites in Nong Kai province", a research supported by Thailand Science and Innovation (TSRI) under the main project submitted to Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University (MCU), 2021.
4. Design and layout of Buddhist archeological sites in the Dvaravati period in Nakhon Sawan-Uthai Thani province. (Under the research project entitled 'Design and layout of Buddhist archeological sites in the Dvaravati period in Nakhon Sawan-Uthai Thani province'), a research supported by Thailand Science and Innovation (TSRI) under the main project submitted to Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University (MCU), 2022.
5. Suvarnabhumi and Dvaravati: The Epigraphical study of Religion and Culture (under the project called "Suvarnabhumi and Dvaravati" phase 1, under the main project of 'Suvarnabhumi' of 'Thailand Academy of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts: TASSHA', the Ministry of Higher Education, Science, Research and Innovation, 2022.

Articles in English

1. **“Māyā in the Lanḍkāvatārasūtra : the Forgotten Teaching,”** in the Proceedings of the International Sanskrit Conference on “Southeast Asia: The Harmonizing Factor of Cultures.” Bangkok : Sanskrit Studies Centre, Silpakorn University, 2003, 378-386.
2. **“Obsolete or Essential ? : A Case Study of Sanskrit Studies in Thailand”** A paper presented at the 13th World Sanskrit Conference, July 10-14, 2006. Edinburgh. Scotland.
3. **“Paths to Victory: the Art of war”** A paper in the Proceedings of the Gerini International Siamese Studies Conference on ‘G.E. Gerini and the Mosaic of Genius’. Bangkok: Faculty of Archaeology, 2005. pp. 157-170
4. **“Sanskrit and Pali : The Common Heritage and the Linking Bridge between India and Thailand.”** A paper in the Proceedings of the Indo - Thai Relation Conference on ‘Mapping Connections: Indo - Thai Historical and Cultural Linkages’. New Delhi: Mantra Books. 2006
5. **Medicinal herbs and Clinical therapy found in Sanskrit Inscriptions at Prasat Tameun on Thai-Cambodian border and at Sai Fong city in Lao PDR: King Jayavarman VII’s compassion for his subject and symbol of his power over Indo-China region.** A paper in the Proceedings of the annual international conference on the theme "Southeast Asian Cultural Value: Community and Destiny" organized by KFAS and ARC-RAC at Siem Reap, Cambodia, on December 4-5, 2014. pp. 182-191.
6. **The Other meaning of the name ‘Vessantara’.** A selected paper in the proceedings entitled ‘Buddhist Texts and Traditions’ of the International conference on Buddhist Texts and Traditions organized by Department of Pali, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, Nava Nalanda Mahavihara (Deemed University), Nalanda and Central University of Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi on 21-23 December 2009, printed on October 2015. pp. 59-67.

Later, this paper was selected from the conference and published in Annals of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, Vol. 91 in 2010. Citation is available as below; Mangmeesuksiri, S., & Mangmeesuksivi, S. (2010). OTHER MEANING OF THE NAME VESSANTARA. Annals of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute, 91, 61-67. Retrieved from <http://www.jstor.org/stable/41692160>
7. **The influence of Buddhism in Vietnam: From the evidences of the selected inscriptions.** A paper to be presented in an International Conference on "Buddhist links between India and Vietnam" organized by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, India in coordination with the Vietnam Buddhist Sangha and Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences, Hanoi, Vietnam on April 6-8, 2011.
8. **The translation and interpretation of Pali Tipitaka into Thai Language and its impact on Thai way of life.** A paper presented in the 7th Biennial Conference on ‘Buddhist Texts in Translation’ Organized by K. J. Somaiya Centre for Buddhist Studies Jointly with Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi (Deemed University under Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India) and Nava Nalanda Mahavihara, Nalanda on December 5-7, 2012.

9. *A Āyurveda in inscriptions of A Ārogya-sāla found in Indo-China region.* A paper presented in the international Seminar on "Sanskrit through Maritime route" organized by Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, New Delhi at New, February 26-27, 2015.
10. Sombat Mangmeesukhasiri. (2016). "The meaning Change of terms 'Āśvattha - Assattha'- the Sacred Fig Tree in Buddhist Sanskrit and Pali Texts with special reference to Thai tradition" printed in The Syamadesa Samskritapurusah Acarya Chirapat prapandvidyah. Nonthaburi : Chen Printing, 2016, pp. 400-410.
11. Sombat Mangmeesukhasiri and Chainarong Klinnoi. (2017). **Historical and Cultural significance of 'Prasat Tameun' and the Royal Road (Raja Marga) between Thailand and Cambodia: A Review"**. Veda Vipasha Journal. Vol. 4. 2017. pp. 44-47.
12. **Sanskrit Studies in Thailand: Past, Present and Future.** A paper presented in the International Seminar on "Sanskrit in World, the World in Sanskrit" organized by the Department of Sanskrit, Doctor Harisingh Gour University (A Central University), Sagar, M.P., India on March 16-18, 2018.
13. *A Survey of Mysterious Mahādharpura from the Sanskrit inscriptions of King Jayavarman VII and the archaeological assumptions'*. A paper presented in the International Conference on "Angkor Wat: The Monument and the Living Presence", organized by Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts, New Delhi, on March 28-31, 2018.

Books and Articles in Thai

- (๑) "ลังกาเวตตารสูตร : เซ็นและซาโตริ" ดำรงวิชาการ (หนังสือรวมบทความทางวิชาการ คณะโบราณคดี) ปีที่ 1 ฉบับที่ 1 (มิถุนายน 2545) หน้า 351-360
- (๒) "ตัวเงินตัวทอง ตะกวด : จากขาดกถึงโคลงโลกนิติ ไฉนพระเอกกลายเป็นผู้ร้าย" ดำรงวิชาการ (หนังสือรวมบทความทางวิชาการ คณะโบราณคดี) ปีที่ 3 ฉบับที่ 6 (กรกฎาคม-ธันวาคม 2547) หน้า 49 - 58
- (๓) "หากพระเวสสันดรไม่ได้ประสูติกลางตลาด" ดำรงวิชาการ (มกราคม-มิถุนายน 2549): 170-186.
- (๔) สมบัติ มั่งมีสุขศิริ. โรคและการเยียวยาในจารึกอโรคยศาลา. "ภูมิปัญญาอาเซียน เวชศาสตร์ในจารึกและเอกสารโบราณ. หนังสือภาษา-จารึก ฉบับที่ 13, ในวาระ 96 ปี ศาสตราจารย์ ดร.ประเสริฐ ณ นคร. กรุงเทพฯ: ภาควิชาภาษาตะวันออก, 2558. หน้า 79-96.
- (๕) สมบัติ มั่งมีสุขศิริ. มุขมัยมกการิกา. ธรรมธารา, วารสารวิชาการทางพระพุทธศาสนา ปีที่ 2 ฉบับที่ 1 มกราคม - มิถุนายน 2559. กรุงเทพฯ: สำนักการศึกษา วัดพระธรรมกาย, 2559. หน้า 35-66.
- (๖) "จารึกปราสาทสดก๊กอ้อม : ความคิดเก่ามุมมองใหม่" ใน ภาษา-จารึก ฉบับที่ 11 สรรตถะจากจารึกและวรรณกรรมท้องถิ่น 90 ปี ศาสตราจารย์ ดร.ประเสริฐ ณ นคร. ภาควิชาภาษาตะวันออก คณะโบราณคดี, 2552 : 65 - 76.

(๗) “จารึกกลุ่มปราสาทตาเมือน” ใน ภาษา-จารึก ฉบับที่ 11 สรรตถะจากจารึกและวรรณกรรม
ท้องถิ่น 90 ปี ศาสตราจารย์ ดร.ประเสริฐ ณ นคร. ภาควิชาภาษาตะวันออก คณะโบราณคดี, 2552 :
49 – 64. (เขียนร่วมกับ ผศ.ดร.กัณฑ์ คัชชิตมา)
