



## Brief CV

### **Prof. Vimal Thorat**

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Prof. Vimal Thorat is a renowned Dalit Thinker, Social Activist, Academician and Writer. She is playing a great and active role in the development of Dalit Literary Movement. Notably, she was the first to be awarded with the Ph.D on Dalit Literature in Hindi from J.N.U, Delhi. She was the first women to be elected for this post. She was formerly Professor, Hindi department, IGNOU, Delhi and convener of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Chair.

At present, she is the Convener of 'All India Dalit Mahila Adhikar Manch' and National Convener of 'National Campaign on Dalit Human Rights (NCDHR)' and Chairperson of 'Center for Dalit Literature and Art'. She was earlier elected national president of 'Dalit Lekhak Sangh' twice.

She has contributed a lot to the academic world by authoring, editing and translating several books such as 'Hindi Sathottari Kavita Aur Marathi Dalit Kavita Mein Samajik-Rajnitik Chetna', 'Dalit Sahitya ka Strivadi Swar', 'Dalit Sahitya Ka Vidrohi Swar' etc. She is also the editor of famous Dalit Hindi Literary magazine 'Dalit Asmita'.

She is recipient of several academic and social awards. The most Precious award is **Rafto Foundation Award-2007 of Norway**.