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List of works

1. Aliavardi and his times (1939)
2. Biography of Kunwar Singh and Amar Singh (1957)
3. Socio-cultural background of modern India (1972)
4. Anti-British plots and movements before 1857 (1970)
5. Dawn of renaissance India (1950)
6. The Dutch in Bengal and Bihar, 1740-1825 A.D (1948)

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7. Renaissance, nationalism and social changes in modern India (1965)
8. Siraj-ud-Daulah (1971)
9. Studies in the history of the Bengal Subah, 1740-70 (1936)
10. Survey of India's Social life and economic condition in the eighteenth century, 1707-1813. (1961)
11. A survey of recent studies on modern Indian history (1963)
12. Advanced History of India (with R.C. Majumdar and H.C. Raychaudhri), 1950

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13. The Santhal insurrections of 1855-57 (1940)
14. Rajendra Prasad (1970)
15. Reflections on the 'Mutiny' (1967)
16. Reports of the Bihar Regional Records Survey Committee, Patna, 1945-56 (2000)
17. Selection from unpublished correspondence of the judge-magistrate and judge of Patna, 1790-1857 (1954)

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18. Shah Alam II and the East India Company (1965)

19. Unrest against British rule in Bihar, 1831-1859. (1957)

20. History of the Freedom Movement in Bihar (in 3 Volumes)

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KK Datta was also closely connected with the Regional Records Survey Committee of Bihar and the *Bihar Research Society* in various capacities. Closely associated with the Indian History Congress, he served the organisation as its Sectional President in 1943 and was elected its General President in 1958. He also served as the Director of the Indo-British Historical Society of Madras. In 1968 Datta was awarded the Jadunath Gold Medal for his contributions as a historian. Shortly before his death the University of Burdwan conferred on him D. Litt. (Honoris Causa) in 1982.

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He was a prominent historian known for his rigorous research and lucid writing style, emphasizing concrete evidence over abstract theories. He specialized in modern Indian history and made significant contributions.

Awards: He was awarded the Jadunath Gold Medal in 1968 for his contributions to history.

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Honorary Doctorate: The University of Burdwan conferred an honorary D.Litt. on him in 1982.

Role as an academic mentor

Mentorship: Datta's influence extended to his students, some of whom also became notable historians focusing on tribal movements, such as J.C. Jha and S.P. Sinha.

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Emphasis on evidence:

Datta was known for his preference for concrete evidence and correct presentation of historical data, rather than abstract theorisation. Dr Datta had earned great repute for his erudition, command over language, oratory, and enduring love for students and phenomenal memory. Like most of his illustrious contemporaries, he made an enviable blend of teaching and research that resulted in his authoring 50 books and several research papers.

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KK Datta belonged to the old group of historians, who relied on a lucid style and in a correct presentation of historical data. His command over historical sources was unique and he relied more on concrete evidences rather than abstract theorisation. He passed away on 24 March 1982 at Patna.

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