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EDUCATION

University of California, Riverside: PhD in Economics (2014 to 2020)

Thesis advisors: Anil Deolalikar, Sarojini Hirshleifer

TERI University: M.Sc. Economics, specialization in Environmental & Resource Economics(2010-2012)

Thesis advisors: Badal Mukhopadhyay, Soumendu Sarkar

University of Delhi: B.A. (Hons.) Economics (2006 to 2009)

FIELDS

Fields: Development and Labor Economics; Field Experiments

Research Interests: economics of gender, health, firm and employee productivity, human capital accumulation, environment, economics of organization

GRANTS, HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2021: MSD Fellowship for Global Health (29,831 USD) (with Jyoti Joshi and Ramanan Laxminarayan)

Best Paper Award, Women in the Economy Workshop, Indian Statistical Institute (1,337 USD)

China-India Visiting Scholars (CIVS) Fellowship- Ashoka University (4,752 USD)

2020: JPAL's PPE Initiative Fund (45,500 USD) (with Sarojini Hirshleifer and Opinder Kaur)

2019: Dissertation Year Program Fellowship (15,400 USD)

2018: Small Projects Grant, International Growth Center (IGC) (25,000 GBP)

BLUM Initiative Grant, UC Riverside (4,000 USD)

2014: Dean's Distinguished Fellowship Award, UC Riverside (until 2019)

ACADEMIC PAPERS

Working Papers

"Gender Peer Effects in the Workplace: A Field Experiment in Indian Call Centers"

"Effect of Co-residence with Parents-in-law on Female Labor Force Participation" (with Anil Deolalikar)

"A Qualitative Study on Non-prescription Sale of Antibiotics in Pharmacies of New Delhi: Perspectives from Pharmacists, Dispensers and Consumers" (with Jyoti Joshi, Anjana Sankhil Lamkang and Ramanan Laxminarayan)

Works in Progress

"Does Certification Increase the Returns to Human Capital: A Field Experiment in India" (with Sarojini Hirshleifer and Opinder Kaur)

"Environment and Productivity: Evidence from Call Centers in India" (with Sarojini Hirshleifer and Jamie T. Mullins)

"Impact of COVID-19 on Children with Disabilities: Evidence from India" (with Jyoti Joshi and Ramanan Laxminarayan)

“Impact Evaluation of the Magic Bus Foundation’s Sports in Girls’ Education Program in India” (with Ramanan Laxminarayan, Subha Mani, and Arindam Nandi)

Peer Reviewed Published Research

“Efficiency Comparison of Bus Operators in Delhi” published in *Journal of Transport Literature*, Volume 9, Number 1, January 2015.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2021: Women in the Economy Workshop, Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi

Women in the Workforce, IGC India webinar

2020: Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev)

2019: UC Irvine

2018: Indian Society of Labor Economics (ISLE) at Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research

UCR Econometrics Brownbag on power calculations in RCTs

UCR Applied Brownbag on pre-analysis plan of job market RCT paper

2017: The Ronald Coase Institute

International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Regional Student Conference

2014: National Conference for the Indian Association for Women’s Studies

NEWSPAPER AND POPULAR PRESS

“Does the gender of your co-worker matter? Evidence from call centres” in *Ideas for India*, October 05, 2020

“The ripple effect of gender inclusivity on India’s economy” in the *Hindustan Times*, August 02, 2021

“Women must ‘lean in’ to be taken seriously in the political sphere” in the *Hindustan Times*, April 30, 2014 (with Devaki Jain)

“Women’s voices in India-China talks” in Gateway House Indian Council on Global Relations, Nov 8, 2013 (with Devaki Jain)

“Need progressive masculinities to get feminist view” in *The Tribune*, August 23, 2012

“Strengthening SME sector will open up a new strategy of broad-based, fast growth,” *The Economic Times*, Sep 22, 2012 (with Devaki Jain)

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Teaching Experience at University of California, Riverside (August 2015-March 2020)

- As Instructor:
 - Economic Development: Theory and Policy (Summer 2016)
 - Women’s Labor and the Economy (Fall 2017)
- As Teaching Assistant:
 - Introduction to Microeconomics (5 times)
 - Introduction to Macroeconomics (3 times)

Research Assistant to Dr. Joseph Cummins, Assistant Professor at UC Riverside (July 2017 to September 2017)

- Replicated published economics papers which use synthetic control methodology

Research Assistant to Dr. Devaki Jain, Honorary Fellow at Oxford University (January 2012 to June 2014)

- Co-authored several conference papers on the role of women in India, which were presented in National Workshop: Center for Women’s Development Studies, Gendering a state plan: Government of Karnataka, Global Bihar Summit: Government of Bihar

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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- Journal of Labor Research, Journal of Quantitative Economics, Pakistan Journal of Applied Economics
- Pacific Development Conference held at UC Riverside (2017)

Service Responsibility

- President, Economics Department Graduate Students Association (2017-18)
- Served as interviewer for the M.Sc. Economics program at TERI University, New Delhi (2021)