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Education

Ph.D. Economics, The University of British Columbia, November, 2011.

Dissertation: Essays on Economic Development in India.

Committee: Prof. Ashok Kotwal (chair), Prof. Amartya Lahiri, and Prof. Patrick Francois.

M.Phil. Development Studies, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, India, 2004.

M.S. Quantitative Economics, Indian Statistical Institute, 2000.

B.Sc.(Hons) Economics, The University of Calcutta, 1998.

Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, November, 2012 – present

Associate Fellow, National Council of Applied Economic Research, February 2011–October, 2012.

Sessional Instructor, Simon Fraser University, Surrey, BC, Canada, 2008-10.

Fields of Research Interest

Labour Economics, Empirical Development, Trade Policy, R&D and firm productivity, Technology spillover and labour market effects, Health and Nutrition, Household Behaviour Analysis, Crime and Inequality, and Applied Microeconomic Theory.

Fields of Teaching Interest

Econometrics, Labour Economics, Empirical Development, Trade Theory and Policy, and Indian Economy.

Research

Publications

Castes and Labor Mobility (with Hnatkovska, V. and Lahiri, A.), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, April, 2012; 4(2): 274-307.

Breaking the Caste Barrier: Intergenerational Mobility in India (with Hnatkovska, V. and Lahiri, A.), *Journal of Human Resources*, Spring 2013; 48(2):435-473.

Working Papers

Misallocation of Skills in Indian Labour Market (with Mukherjee, A.), May 2012.

Food Preference and Nutrition in India, 2011.

Trade Reforms and Gender Empowerment in India (with Paul, Sohini), 2010, presented at the *Annual Conference of Canadian Economic Association*, Quebec, 2010 and accepted for the *Annual Meeting of American Economic Association*, Atlanta, 2010.

Distributional Effects of Tariff Reform in India, 2010, presented at the *Annual Conference of Canadian Economic Association*, Quebec, 2010.

Inequality, Violence and Social Fragmentation in Emerging India, 2009, presented at the *Annual Conference of Canadian Economic Association*, Toronto, 2009.

Changing Skill Intensity in Dynamic Sectors in India, 2008, presented at the *Annual Conference of Canadian Economic Association*, Vancouver, 2008.

The Role of Agricultural Industries in Development, 2005.

Industrial Progress, Rural Credit Market and Crop Choice, 2005.

Public Sector Job Reservation in India: A Search Theoretic Model, 2004.

Funded Research Projects

Fiscal issues and allocative efficiency in transport sectors, NCAER (co-investigator), funded by National Transport Development Policy Committee, Government of India.

Parallel imports of books and other copyrighted materials, NCAER (co-investigator), funded by Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India.

Food grain stocking policy in India, NCAER (co-investigator), funded by Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

Consumption externality and human capital investment: Evidence from India (with Bishnu, M and Mukhopadhyay, A; Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi), funded by ISI Delhi

Misallocation of Skills in Indian Labour Market (with Mukherjee, A.; IIT Kanpur), funded by IIT Delhi

My research in media

Castes and Labor Mobility (with Hnatkovska, V. and Lahiri, A.), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, April, 2012; 4(2): 274-307.

In media: NY Times, WSJ, Rediff, The Financial Times.

Breaking the Caste Barrier: Intergenerational Mobility in India (with Hnatkovska, V. and Lahiri, A.), 2011 (*Journal of Human Resources*, Spring 2013; 48(2):435-473).

In media: NY Times, The Economist, The Caravan.

Professional Activities

Reviewer for *Environmental Development*, *MARGIN The Journal of Applied Economic Research*.

Awards & Fellowships

Think Tank Initiative research grant for research on gender and nutrition issues in India, NCAER, 2011.

Centre for India and South Asia Research, UBC Research Travel Grant, 2008.

Special Graduate Scholarship, UBC, Canada, 2004, 2005, 2006.

PhD tuition award, UBC, Canada, 2003 - 2007.

Graduate Entrance Fellowship, UBC, Canada, 2003.

Academic excellence award (highest CGPA), IGIDR, Mumbai, India, 2001.

Junior Research Fellowship, IGIDR, Mumbai, India, 2000.

Workshop & Training

Impact Evaluation Workshop, World Bank, Dhaka, 2011.

Training Programs on Applied Econometrics and Policy, (under the aegis of IDRC), NCAER, 2011.

Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD) Summer School in Development Economics, Banff International Research Station, 2005.