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Academic Affiliations:

Associate Professor, IIM Calcutta, May 2019 - present
Assistant Professor, IIM Calcutta, June 2017 - April 2019
Assistant Professor, IIT Kanpur, August 2011 - May 2017
Research Associate, DIW Berlin, August 2009 - August 2011
Associate Editor, Journal of South Asian Development, August 2022 - present
Research Affiliate, CESifo Munich, July 2019 - present
Fellow, Global Labor Organization, 2018 - present
Research Fellow, IZA Bonn, August 2009 - present

Education:

PhD Economics, Washington University, St Louis, 2009
M. A. Economics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, 2002
B. Sc. Economics, Calcutta University, Kolkata, India, 2000

Research Interests:

Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Development Economics, Economics of Education, Economics of Gender

Journal Publications:

Economic Geography of Contagion: A Study on COVID-19 Outbreak in India, 2023, (with Anirban Mukherjee), *GLO DP No. 1028; IZA DP No. 14400, Journal of Population Economics*, 1-33.

Temporary International Migration, Shocks and Informal Insurance: Analysis using panel data, 2022, (with Manish Pandey), *GLO DP No. 759; IZA DP No. 14051, IZA Journal of Development and Migration*, 13.1.

Beyond the average: Ethnic Capital Heterogeneity and Intergenerational Transmission of Education. (with Simone Schueller and Klaus Zimmermann), 2019, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 163, 551-569.

School Feeding and Learning Achievement: Evidence from India's Midday Meal Program, (with Rajshri Jayaraman), 2019, *Journal of Development Economics*, 139, 249-265.

Stigma of Sexual Violence and Women's Decision to Work, (with Anirban Mukherjee, Swapnika Reddy Rachapalli and Sarani Saha), 2018, *World Development* 103: 226-238

Mother's Autonomy and Child's Secondary Schooling Enrollment in Mexico, (with Prabal De), 2017, *Review of Economics of the Household*, 15(3), 1037-1053.

English Language Premium in a Globalizing Economy: Evidence from a Policy Experiment in India, (with Shilpi Kapur), 2016, *Economics of Education Review*, 50: 1-16, Springer

Trade Liberalization in a Traditional Society: Implications for Relative Female Survival, 2015, *World Development*, Volume 74, Pages 158–170, Elsevier

Court-ship, Kinship and Business: A study on the interaction between the formal and informal institutions and its effect on entrepreneurship, (with Anirban Mukherjee and Sarani Saha), 2015, *IZA Journal of Labor & Development* 4.1: 1-21, Springer

Transfer Behaviour in Migrant Sending Communities (with Bakhrom Mirkasimov, and Susan Steiner), 2014, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, doi:10.1016/j.jce.2014.09.004, Elsevier

Kinship Institutions and Sex Ratios in India (with Sukkoo Kim), 2010, *Demography* Vol.47, No. 4, pp. 989-1012, Springer

Papers under Review:

Caste, Courts and Business, 2022, (with Anirban Mukherjee, Sarani Saha and Divya Shukla), *GLO DP No. 935*, Revision requested by the *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*

Women, Violence and Work: Threat of Sexual Violence and Women's Decision to Work, 2022, (with Nafisa Lohawala), *GLO DP No. 1023*, under review

Addiction, Debt and Moral Hazard: Evidence from Alcohol Prohibition Policies in India, 2023, (with Priya Rachel David), under review

Working Papers:

Efficacy of Farm Loan Waivers, 2018, (with Aarti Gupta),

<https://home.iitk.ac.in/~tanika/files/research/LoanWaiverAT.pdf>

Caste, kinship and sex ratios in India, 2008, (with Sukkoo Kim), *NBER WP No. w13828*.

Work in Progress:

Monetary Incentives for Journal Publications: Evidence from a Natural Experiment, (with Debashish Bhattacharjee)

Informal networks and adoption of formal health insurance, (with Titir Bhattacharya)

Health Shocks and Educational Achievement: Mitigating role of Health Insurance, (with Titir Bhattacharya)

First Order Effects of a Public Health Insurance Program, (with Titir Bhattacharya and Prabal De)

Does Formal Contract Enforcement facilitate occupational mobility, (with Abhishek S Shekhawat, Anirban Mukherjee and Sarani Saha)

Other Publications:

Gendered Violence and Gender disparity at Work, 2023, GenderTalk, NCAER-NDIC

Midday meals in India improve children's learning outcomes, 2022, (with Raji Jayaraman), *Voxdev.org*

Is it safe? Threat of sexual violence and women's decision to work, 2021, (with Nafisa Lohawala), *Ideas for India*.

Sustainability of loan waiver programs in India, 2020, (with Aarti Gupta), [Book Chapter] *Contemporary Issues in Sustainable Development: The Case of India*, 378, Taylor & Francis.

Contemporary Issues in Sustainable Development: The Case of India, 2020, (with Deep Mukherjee, and Sarani Saha), [Edited Book], Taylor & Francis.

Court congestion, caste identity, and business performance, 2020, (with Anirban Mukherjee, Sarani Saha and Divya Shukla), *Ideas for India*.

Formal Contract Enforcement and Entrepreneurial Success of the Marginalized, (with Reema Kumari, Anirban Mukherjee and Sarani Saha), 2019, [Book Chapter] *Opportunities and Challenges in Development* (pp. 171-195), Springer.

The hazards of farm loan waivers, (with Aarti Gupta), 2017, *Live Mint*, May 24

The Downside of Repeated Debt Waivers, (with Aarti Gupta), 2017, *The Wire*, 29 Jun

Policy Work:

Member, Expert Group on Minimum Wages, Government of India, 2021

Sponsored Projects/Consulting:

Remuneration Structure of Field Supervisors and Loan Recover (co-PI) – sponsored by West Bengal Minorities Development and Finance Corporation, 2020-2021

Courts, Networks and Start-Ups: Institutions matter for small enterprise development in South Asia (PI) - sponsored by IDRC, Canada, 2015-2017

A study on the interaction between the formal and informal institutions and its effect on entrepreneurship (PI) – sponsored by ICSSR, 2014 – 2015

Employment Creating Effects of Highways Constructed (Co-PI) - sponsored by Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, 2016 –2017

Decisions made under uncertainties and limited information by IIT Kanpur undergraduate students (Co-PI) - sponsored by IIT Kanpur, 2012 –2015

Gender And Employment in Central Asia (Researcher) - sponsored by DFID & IZA, 2012 – 2015

A study on Child Labor in Uttar Pradesh (Consulting) - sponsored by Ministry of Labor, UP, 2015-2016

Protective environment in schools (Consulting) - sponsored by UNICEF & Ministry of Labor, UP, 2012-2013

Teaching Experience:

IIM Calcutta: Personnel Economics, Econometrics, India and the World Economy, Public Economics, Business Economics [MS, PhD, Executive]

IIT Kanpur: Public Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Econometrics, Principles of Economics, Development Economics [BS, MS, PhD]

DIW Berlin: Readings in Empirical Economics [PhD]

Washington University: Price Theory, Income & Employment Theory [BS]

Thesis Guidance:

PhD Thesis – Complete (Aarti Gupta), In progress (Titir Bhattacharyya, Sohini Mazumdar)

Master's Thesis– 15 (4 received Best Thesis Award at IITK)

Conference/Seminar Presentations:

2022: NSM conference at IIM Ahmedabad, Invited seminar at IIT Bombay, IEG Delhi and IIT Kanpur
 2021: Invited seminar at Jawaharlal Nehru University, Institute of Economic Growth
 2020: SAMVAAD, <http://samvaad.org.in/>
 2019: The Economics of Migration: Perspectives on Family, Gender, and Fertility, University of Freiburg
 2017, 2018: Emerging Markets Finance
 2016: Invited seminar at Goettingen University, University of Sherbrooke, ISI Delhi
 2015: Accepted at ESPE, SOLE, EALE, Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development at ISI, Invited to ISB Hyderabad
 2014: American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Invited Seminar at IRVAPP, Italy, IZA/WB Conference on Employment and Development, Peru, Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development at ISI
 2013: Invited Seminar at Leibniz University Hannover, Invited Seminar at IZA, Invited Seminar at IGIDR
 2012: Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development at ISI, Econometric Society Meeting (Asia)(*Paper accepted*), American Economic Association Meeting (*Paper Accepted*)
 2011: 6th IZA/World Bank Conference: Employment and Development, International Workshop on Applied Economics of Education, Italy,
 2010: World Congress of the Econometric Society, European Economic Association Meetings, European Society of Population Economics, Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, ISI,
 2009: Fifth IZA conference on Labor Market Policy Evaluation
 2008: NEUDC, Boston University, Graduate Student Conference, Washington University, Population Association of America,
 2007: Missouri Economic Conference, Federal Bank of St Louis & University of Missouri, Columbia

Conference/Workshops Organized:

Virtual Workshop on COVID-19 and the Indian Economy, SERI, 2020
 Annual Workshop of SERI, 2019, hosted by IIT Kanpur
 Conference on ‘New Directions in Economic Theory and Empirical Economics’ at IIM Calcutta, August 2018
 Conference on ‘New Directions in Economic Theory and Empirical Economics’ at IIM Calcutta, August 2018
 Workshop organized on ‘Courts, Networks and Startups’ in Kolkata, April 2018
 Workshop organized on ‘Institutions, Networks and Startups’ at IIT Kanpur, March 2017
 Session organized at the Canadian Economic Association conference, June 2016

Research Visits:

CESifo, Munich, April 2019
 European School of Management Technology, May 2018
 University of Winnipeg, May 2017
 University of Mainz, December 2016
 IZA Bonn, June 2014

Awards and Fellowships:

IITK Class of 1984 Faculty Research Fellowship, 2015-2018
 Institute Fellowship, IIT Kanpur, 2011-2014
 Summer Fellowship, IZA-Bonn, 2012, 2013, 2014

PAA Travel Award, 2012
Honorarium at World Congress of the Econometric Society 2010
Dissertation Fellowship, Washington University, 2007-2008
Weidenbaum Center Research Fellowship, Washington University, 2006-2007
Competitive Summer Research Grants, Washington University, 2004-2008
Graduate Fellowship, Washington University, 2002-2007
Ford Foundation Scholarship, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2000-2002