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M.Sc. in Economics, **University of Calcutta**, Kolkata, India 2016 B.Sc. in Economics (Honours), **R.K.M.R College Narendrapur**, Kolkata, India 2014

RESEARCH FIELDS Development Economics, Information Economics, Applied Microeconomics.

WORKING PAPERS "Network-Based Targeting with Heterogeneous Agents for Improving Technology Adoption," October

2022.

 $\hbox{``The Role of Experience in Learning for Index Insurance Products: Evidence from Rural Kenya," March\\$ 

2023. Revised & Resubmitted to the Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization.

"Industrial Performance in West Bengal: Analysis of Technical Efficiency with ASI Data," August 2016.

(with Panchanan Das and Swayambhu Mukherjee)

WORK-IN-PROGRESS "The Role of Active Discussion in Learning about Uncertain Technologies." (with Jim Engle-Warnick,

Javier Escobal, and Sonia Laszlo)

"Microinsurance for the Poor: Long-Term Follow Up." (with Matthieu Chemin)

"Assessing the Impact of Judicial Independence in Developing Countries: Evidence from Rural Bangladesh."

(with Matthieu Chemin)

BOOK CHAPTERS "Food Insecurity, Price Volatility and Trade: A Panel Data Analysis in Developing Countries," Chapter-

10 in Indian Agriculture under Multilateral and Regional Trade Agreements - Competitiveness and Food Security, Sharma and Bathla (eds.), CWS in association with Bookwell, Delhi, 2017, 177-194. (with Pan-

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TEACHING McGill University (Teaching Assistant)

EXPERIENCE Economic Development 1, Winter 2021-23 & Fall 2021

Economic Development 2, Winter 2019-20 & Winter 2022

Labor Markets and Wages, Fall 2022

Topics in Economic Development 2, Winter 2021

Income Distribution, Winter 2021 & Fall 2021

Industrial Organization, Fall 2019 Microeconomic Theory, Fall 2018 Economic Statistics, Winter 2018

Intro to Behavioral Economics, Fall 2017 & Fall 2020

FELLOWSHIPS AND

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Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University, 2017-2021

Doctoral Fellowship, McGill University, 2018-2022 McCall MacBain Fellowship, McGill University, 2019

Prof. D. Datta Memorial Prize for First Class (First Position) in Economic Honours, R.K.M.R College

Narendrapur, 2014

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

2022: McGill CPD Social Statistics and Population Dynamics Seminar, Annual Meeting of the Canadian

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2015: Conference on WTO, Trade and Agriculture organized by CWS-IIFT.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Chair, Session on Technology, Development, and Inequality in CEA-CDESG Annual Meeting, 2022.

Organizer, Applied Micro Breakfast, Dept. of Economics, McGill University, 2020-2021.

LANGUAGES Bengali (native), Hindi (native), English (fluent).

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