

# Aman Kumar

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## Professional Experience

### Centre for Socio-Economic and Political Research (CSEPR)

January 2023 – March 2024

#### Research Associate

New Delhi, India

- Led a groundbreaking research project on Prison Reforms, titled "Open Prison in Buxar: Reformation, Rehabilitation, and Reintegration", backed by substantial funding from the Department of Home, Government of Bihar, contributing to transformative policy discourse.
- Implemented a project in collaboration with Indian Oil Corporation Limited focused on installing sanitary napkin vending machines and promoting hygienic menstrual practices among adolescent girls in government schools and colleges of East Singhbhum District, Jharkhand.
- Crafted winning election strategies for both BJP and Congress, tailored to the unique landscapes of Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh, setting the stage for success in the upcoming 2024 Lok Sabha elections.
- Demonstrated a history of success in election strategy, with an impressive 85-90 percent accuracy rate in predicting party victories, notably in the Karnataka State elections 2023 and the Jalandhar by-election in Punjab.
- Produced 28 comprehensive reports enriched with qualitative and quantitative analyses, accompanied by engaging PowerPoint presentations and visually captivating data representations, showcased on multiple platforms.

### Centre for the Studies of Plural Societies (CSPS)

July 2022 – December 2022

#### Research Intern

New Delhi, India

- Researched and authored two impactful papers on India's Cinematic Soft Power and E-Sports diplomacy.
- Analyzed the impact of digital technologies on diplomatic practices and international relations, providing policymakers with actionable recommendations to leverage digital platforms for diplomacy objectives effectively.
- Conducted case studies and comparative analysis of digital diplomacy efforts across various countries and regions to identify successful strategies and lessons learned.
- Evaluated emerging technologies such as blockchain, artificial intelligence, and virtual reality for their potential applications in diplomatic contexts.

### UC Irvine School of Social Science, University of California

June 2022 – July 2022

#### Research Intern

California, USA

- Actively engaged in groundbreaking research with Prof. Kristen Monroe and Dr. Monica De Roche on "The Neuroscience and Policy of Discrimination, Prejudice, and 'Us vs Them' Thinking," promoting social justice in US.
- Led dynamic discussions on racial, caste, and gender discrimination, fostering awareness and advocacy for racial justice in the US and India.
- Authored insightful reviews on impactful films and documentaries, including works addressing racial religious discrimination like Jane Elliot's Blue Eyes/Black Eyes Experiment, Gentlemen's Agreement, and To Kill a Mockingbird etc.
- Collaborated with a diverse team to develop a white paper proposing innovative anti-discriminatory programs, targeting prejudice in schools and universities, emphasizing racial justice.

### SETA Foundation

March 2022 – May 2022

#### Research Intern and Editorial Board Member

Ankara, Turkey

- Conducted research on the Russia-Ukraine war, emergence of digital currencies, and digital diplomacy. Explored the role of technologies such as VPNs and Onion browsers in warfare tactics and agenda spreading.
- Consistently produced up to four compelling news stories per shift, demonstrating a high level of efficiency in meeting tight deadlines and ensuring timely content delivery.
- Assisted the Editor in Chief and esteemed editorial board members in editing op-ed columns by foreign policy experts worldwide.
- Actively participated in bi-weekly writers' calls, collaborating with the editorial team to brainstorm ideas, share insights, and align content strategies for upcoming publications.

### Centre for Policy Research and Governance (CPRG)

January 2022 – March 2022

#### Research Intern

New Delhi, India

- Conducted comprehensive research into the involvement of non-state actors in the Russia-Ukraine , analyzing their strategies and impact.
- Specifically investigated the extensive use of social media platforms as tools for disseminating their agenda, examining the methods employed and the implications for the conflict dynamics.
- Made significant contributions to CPRG's weekly newsletters by providing valuable content.

- Conducted thorough fact-checking and source verification to uphold editorial standards and credibility, earning the trust of readers and stakeholders.

## Centre for Socio-Economic and Political Research (CSEPR)

August 2021 – December 2021

### Research Intern

New Delhi, India

- Proficiently compiled and analyzed complex data from four states, encompassing approximately six thousand people, using Stata R, and presented the findings in a clear and concise format.
- Made significant contributions to three major projects, including studies on social entrepreneurship, women's empowerment in Haryana, and social justice policies under the Modi government.
- Produced well-crafted reports utilized for political speeches and press releases.
- Developed and executed comprehensive election strategies at the grassroots level in Bihar, leveraging in-depth understanding of local dynamics and voter sentiments to effectively target and mobilize constituencies, resulting in significant electoral gains for the respective political party.

## Education

### University of Delhi

June 2020 – December 2022

*M.A (Masters) in Political Science, CGPA - 6.75/10*

New Delhi, India

(Awarded Certificate of Merit)

### University of Delhi

September 2017 – May 2020

*B.A (Hons) in Political Science, CGPA - 7.32/10*

New Delhi, India

## Leadership Experience

### Bhumika Trust

February 2021 – Present

Member and Advisor

- \* Engaged in Research and Policy Advocacy, focusing on the upliftment of marginalized sections in India, including SC/ST/OBC/PWD and women, to promote Economic and Social Justice.
- \* Successfully organized eleven seminars on diverse topics, such as India's foreign policy and its neighborhood, public policies for women empowerment in rural areas, casteism's contemporary role in India, and laws marital rape.
- \* Conducted sensitization and empowerment drives, benefiting visually impaired students on college campuses.
- \* Authored a research paper addressing the 'Violations of human rights of PWD students in New Delhi amid the Covid-19 pandemic,' demonstrating dedication to real solutions for social justice issues.
- \* Leveraged geopolitical intelligence for informed decision-making and effective policies, resulting in meaningful progress and positive community impact in Bhumika Trust's upliftment projects.

## Publications

Kumar, A. **The popularity of India's cinema and the role of Soft Power**, Centre for Studies of Plural Societies, 2023. <https://cspindia.org/the-popularity-of-indias-cinema-and-the-role-of-soft-power/>

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Kumar, A. **Emphasis on Digital University and Education in India**. Centre for Policy Research and Governance, 2022, Vol 4,10-11, [https://www.cprgindia.org/pdf/CPRG-Newsletter-Feb-2022\(Edition-2\).pdf](https://www.cprgindia.org/pdf/CPRG-Newsletter-Feb-2022(Edition-2).pdf)

Kumar, A. **Russia-Ukraine Conflict: The role of non-state actors**. Centre for Policy Research and Governance, 2022; Vol 4,15-18, <https://www.cprgindia.org/pdf/February-2022-Vol-4-Issue-3.pdf>

## Technical Skills

**Languages:** Stata, SQL, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

English (Fluent), Hindi (Fluent), Haryanvi (Fluent)

**Research Methodologies:** Qualitative and Quantitative

**Microsoft Office:** MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint

## Awards

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Cleared the **National Eligibility Test (UGC-NET)** in Political Science in 2023

Awarded **Certificate of Merit** for securing 2nd rank in M.A (Masters) program

Achieved victory in the Creative Writing competition on "Gandhi and his thoughts," held in 2020 at Ram Lal Anand College, University of Delhi

Received the prestigious Best English Writer award in Andaaz-e-bayaan (Creative Writing) competition, hosted by Ram Lal Anand College, University of Delhi in 2019

Secured 1st rank in Quiz and Creative Writing contests organized by the Embassy of the Republic of Azerbaijan in 2016

## References

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### 1. Dr Vivek Kumar

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### 3. Prof. Kristen Monroe

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