

To,
The President,
South Asian University,
New Delhi, India

Subject: Application for Admission to 'PhD in Economics' Program through Direct Mode

Respected Sir,

I am writing this application to express my interest in the PhD in Economics program at South Asian University. With over 18 years of public service as an Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer, coupled with a solid academic foundation, I am keen to deepen my understanding of economic research and policymaking through this prestigious program.

I have held pivotal roles including position of Collector and District Magistrate in 5 districts of Rajasthan, where I spearheaded initiatives at grass roots level in areas of economic development, rural development, social justice and empowerment, education, health, nutrition, sanitation, urban planning and skill development. My professional experiences have provided me a realistic understanding of the complex inter-play of economics and public policy, at the cutting edge levels of execution in both rural and urban landscapes of the country. Additionally, my academic journey, including a Bachelor's degree in Commerce (Honours) from Delhi University and an MA in Public Policy, has laid a strong theoretical groundwork for advanced research.

I am particularly interested in studying Development Economics, leveraging my practical insights to better understand and to better address pressing socio-economic challenges before our country. I believe that South Asian University's emphasis on regional collaboration and its world-class faculty provide an ideal environment for this pursuit.

Enclosed are my CV, SOP, Copies of certificates and other requisite documents for your kind consideration. I look forward to this opportunity to contribute meaningfully to the academic community at South Asian University and to advance my research aspirations.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely'



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