

EDUCATION

- 2019- **London School of Economics**, Ph.D. candidate in Economics
Distinction in core exams
- 2015 **University of Oxford**, M.Phil. Economics
- 2013 **University of Cambridge**, Economics Tripos (senior status)
- 2011 **University of Delhi**, B.A. (Honours) Economics

RELEVANT POSITIONS

- 2021- Research Assistant to Professor Oriana Bandiera, LSE
- 2021- Consultant, Office of South Asia Chief Economist, World Bank, Washington DC
- 2017-19 Pre-doctoral Fellow with Professor Michael Greenstone, University of Chicago
- 2016-17 Economist, Chief Economic Advisor's office, Ministry of Finance, India
- 2015-16 Consultant, Fiscal Rules Review Committee, Ministry of Finance, India
- 2015 Graduate Summer Intern, International Monetary Fund, Washington D.C.

RESEARCH

"Workers at Risk : Panel Data Evidence on the COVID-19 Labor Market Crisis in India" (with Maurizio Bussolo and Siddharth Sharma) **World Bank Policy Research Working Paper**; No. 9584. World Bank, Washington DC.

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2022 International Growth Centre early-career researchers grant, "Trade Liberalization and Misallocation": \$24,400
- 2022 The Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries (PEDL) Exploratory Research Grant, "Aggregate Impacts of Command-and-Control Environmental Policy: Evidence from Court-Ordered Mining Bans in India": \$33,000 (with Utkarsh Saxena and Henry Zhang, MIT)
- 2022 Structural Transformation and Economic Growth (STEG) Small Research Grant, "Labor Market Frictions, the Organization of Labor, and Structural Change": \$19,000 (with Chinmay Lohani, UPenn)
- 2021 Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India research grant: \$4,000
- 2019-24 LSE Economics Scholarship (2019-2024)
- 2015 Mahindra Scholarship
- 2011-13 Inlaks Scholarship
- 2011-13 Cambridge Trusts Scholarship

TEACHING

- London School of Economics, EC307, Development Economics. Teaching assistant for Professors Oriana Bandiera and Robin Burgess for a third year undergraduate course in development economics. 2020, 2021.
- IZA/FCDO ONLINE Development Economics Course for Sub-Saharan Africa. Teaching assistant for Professors Oriana Bandiera and Robin Burgess. 2021.
- STEG Virtual Course on "Key Concepts in Macro Development". Teaching assistant for Professor Benjamin Moll. 2021.

OTHER WRITING

- "Should States Target a 3% Fiscal Deficit?" (with Rathin Roy) **Economic and Political Weekly**, 2018, 53(9): 71-76.
- "Sub-National Fiscal Rules, Vertical Fiscal Imbalances, and Fiscal Discipline: New Empirical Evidence from Europe" (with Victor Lledo) **IMF Working Paper** 16(8), April 2016.
- "History and Evolution of The Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act (2003): Issues and Challenges" (with Rathin Roy), Report of Fiscal Rules Review Committee, **Ministry of Finance, Government of India** (tabled in Indian Parliament, Feb 2017).
- "India's Experience with Sub-National Fiscal Responsibility Legislation: Performance and Challenges" (with Rathin Roy), Report of Fiscal Rules Review Committee, **Ministry of Finance, Government of India** (tabled in Indian Parliament, Feb. 2017).
- Why are finances of Indian states deteriorating? **IGC Ideas for India**, Sep. 2017.
- How to arrest deterioration in state finances, **Business Standard**, Jul. 2017.
- India's distinctive demographic dividend (with Arvind Subramanian), **Business Standard**, Feb. 2017.
- An economic defence of surge pricing, **Mint**, Apr. 2016.
- Fine-tune the FRBM framework, **Financial Express**, Feb. 2015.

CONFERENCES AND TALKS

- **2021:** Centre for Monitoring the Indian Economy (New Delhi)
- **Pre-2019:** Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation-National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (Delhi), Reserve Bank of India (Mumbai), International Monetary Fund (Washington DC), Finance Ministry, Government of India (Delhi), Economic Advisory Council to the Indian Prime Minister (Delhi).

OTHER

Languages: English (Fluent); Hindi (Fluent).

Software: Stata, R, MATLAB, Oxmetrics, STAMP, \LaTeX , Beamer, Microsoft Office.

Research Interests: development, firm dynamics, misallocation, environment.

Other Interests: Swimming, Indian politics.