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POSITIONS	Assistant Professor of Economics and Public Policy <i>Amrut Mody School of Management</i> Ahmedabad University , Ahmedabad, India	June 30, 2023 - Present
EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Economics, McGill University , Montreal, Canada Dissertation Title: <i>Learning and Technology Adoption in Developing Countries</i> Committee: Sonia Laszlo (Supervisor), Francesco Amodio (Co-Supervisor), Matthieu Chemin.	2023
	M.Sc. in Economics, University of Calcutta , Kolkata, India B.Sc. in Economics (Honours), R.K.M.R College Narendrapur , Kolkata, India	2016 2014
RESEARCH FIELDS	Development Economics, Information Economics, Applied Microeconomics.	
WORKING PAPERS	“Experience, Learning, and Product Design: Evidence from Index Insurance in Kenya,” January 2026. “The Role of Active Discussion in Coordinating about Uncertain Technologies,” January 2026. (with Javier Escobal, Sonia Laszlo, and Jim Warnick) “Lessons from the Past: How Experience Reduces the Impact of Weather Shocks on Ugandan Small-holders,” November 2025. (with Giuseppe Maggio and Fabio G. Santeramo) [Under Review] “Network-Based Targeting with Heterogeneous Agents for Improving Technology Adoption,” September 2025. [Revised and Resubmitted to the Journal of Development Economics] “Inefficiency in Agricultural Production: Do Information Frictions Matter?” June 2025. (with Digvijay Singh Negi and Rahul Rao)	
WORK-IN-PROGRESS	“Food Transfers in a Primitive Economy: Comparing Three Models of Risk-Sharing in Networks.” (with Francesco Amodio and Pau Milán)	
BOOK CHAPTERS	“Food Insecurity, Price Volatility and Trade: A Panel Data Analysis in Developing Countries,” <i>Chapter-10 in Indian Agriculture under Multilateral and Regional Trade Agreements - Competitiveness and Food Security, Sharma and Bathla (eds.)</i> , CWS in association with Bookwell, Delhi, 2017, 177-194. (with Panchanan Das and Swayambhu Mukherjee)	
OTHER PAPERS	“Industrial Performance in West Bengal: Analysis of Technical Efficiency with ASI Data,” August 2016. (with Panchanan Das and Swayambhu Mukherjee)	
MEDIA/POSTS	“Information is power: ICT and agricultural productivity,” <i>Ideas for India</i> , April 2025. (with Digvijay Singh Negi and Rahul Rao) “Using Social Ties to Improve Technology Adoption: Does Heterogeneity Matter?” August 2023.	

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

Ahmedabad University (Instructor)

ECO220 - Econometrics, Monsoon 2024-25
 ECO321/ECO620 - Empirical Research Methods in Economics, Winter 2024-25 & Monsoon 2025
 ECO100 - Microeconomics, Monsoon 2023-24

McGill University (Teaching Assistant)

ECON 313 - Economic Development 1, Winter 2021-23 & Fall 2021
 ECON 314 - Economic Development 2, Winter 2019-20 & Winter 2022
 ECON 306 - Labor Markets and Wages, Fall 2022
 ECON 416 - Topics in Economic Development 2, Winter 2021
 ECON 473 - Income Distribution, Winter 2021 & Fall 2021
 ECON 305 - Industrial Organization, Fall 2019
 ECON 230D1 - Microeconomic Theory, Fall 2018
 ECON 227D2 - Economic Statistics, Winter 2018
 ECON 310 - Introduction to Behavioural Economics, Fall 2017 & Fall 2020

VISITING POSITIONS

Visiting Professor
Department of Economics, Faculty of Arts
McGill University, Montreal, Canada

May 30, 2024 - June 21, 2024

Visiting Scientist
Economics and Planning Unit
Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi, India

March 1, 2024 - March 15, 2024

FELLOWSHIPS AND
AWARDS

2025: Econometric Society Travel Grant.
 2024: Young Scholars' Best Paper Award by the CITD, JNU in the International Conference on "Recent Developments in Economic Research: Theory and Evidence."
 2023-25: Ahmedabad University Conference Travel Support.
 2022: Graduate Research Enhancement and Travel (GREAT) Award, Faculty of Arts, McGill University; Conference Student Travel Grant, Canadian Economics Association (CEA).
 2019: McCall MacBain Fellowship, McGill University.
 2018-2022: Doctoral Fellowship, McGill University.
 2017-2021: Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University.
 2014: Prof. D. Datta Memorial Prize for First Class (First Position) in Economic Honours, R.K.M.R College Narendrapur.

PRESENTATIONS

2025: Symposium on Network Economics at IIM Bangalore, Bangalore, Karnataka, India;
 Econometric Society World Congress 2025, Seoul, Korea;
 EAYE Annual Meeting 2025 at King's College London, London, United Kingdom;
 AMSOM Research Seminar Series at Ahmedabad University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India;
 2nd Meeting of Young Minds at IIT Bombay, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India;
 Food and Agriculture Research Discussion Forum (FARDF) Meeting, Virtual;
 2024: 19th ACEGD at ISI-Delhi, New Delhi, Delhi, India;
 Winter School 2024 at DSE, New Delhi, Delhi, India;
 8th Annual CECFEE Research and Policy Workshop, Khajuraho, MP, India;
 IIMB Seminar Series at IIM Bangalore, Bangalore, Karnataka, India;
 Economics Department Seminar at Ashoka University, Sonipat, Haryana, India;
 CIREQ Lunch Seminar at McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada;
 Empirical Reading Group Presentation at ISI-Delhi, New Delhi, Delhi, India;
 International Conference at CITD, JNU, New Delhi, Delhi, India.

2023: 18th ACEGD at ISI-Delhi, New Delhi, Delhi, India;
BREW-ESA 2023 at IIT Bombay, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India;
NEUDC Conference at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA;
AMSOM Research Seminar Series at Ahmedabad University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India;
Far Siders Development Seminar (FSDS), Virtual;
Annual Meeting of the CEA, Virtual Session;
18th CIREQ PhD Students' Conference at Concordia University, Montreal, QC, Canada.

2022: McGill CPD-SSPD Seminar at McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada;
17th CIREQ PhD Students' Conference at Concordia University, Montreal, QC, Canada;
Annual Meeting of the CEA at Carleton University, Ottawa, ON, Canada;
CIREQ Lunch Seminars at McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada.

2015: CWS-IIFT Conference at IIFT, New Delhi, Delhi, India.

**PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES**

Referee Services

Journal of the European Economic Association, Economics of Education Review, Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Arthaniti- Journal of Economic Theory and Practice, Journal of Advances in Management Research, Journal of Quantitative Economics, Food Security, Agriculture & Food Security

Other Services

Co-Coordinator, Research Seminar Series, AMSOM, Ahmedabad University, 2025-Present;
Member, Organizing Committee, 7th Annual Economics Conference, Ahmedabad University;
Member, Organizing Committee, Symposium on Network Economics, IIM Bangalore, 2025;
Member, Organizing Committee, 6th Annual Economics Conference, Ahmedabad University;
Chair, Social Media Committee, AMSOM, Ahmedabad University, 2024-Present;
Member, MA (Economics) Curriculum Design Committee, AMSOM, Ahmedabad University, 2023;
Organizer, Applied Micro Breakfast, Dept. of Economics, McGill University, 2020-2021.

LANGUAGES

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

SKILLS

Stata, R, Python, EViews, Matlab, L^AT_EX