

# ATHER HASSAN DAR

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## EDUCATION

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**Indian Institute of Technology**, Kanpur, UP India  
Ph.D (Economics)  
(Status: *Thesis Submitted*)

*Jan 2020 - Present*  
(CPI 10/10)

**Jamia Millia Islamia**, New Delhi, Delhi, India  
Master of Arts in Economics  
(Graduated with Distinction)

*July 2017 - July 2019*  
(CGPA 8.3/10)

**Aligarh Muslim University**, Aligarh, UP, India  
Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Economics  
(Gold Medalist)

*Aug 2014 - July 2017*  
(Aggregate Marks 74.63%)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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**Primary:** Development Economics; Economics of Education; Health Economics; Economics of Crime & Conflicts

**Secondary:** Environmental Economics; Labor Economics; Gender & Family Economics; Behavioral & Experimental Economics

## RESEARCH WORK

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### Journal Publications

1. The Efficiency of Indian Banks: A DEA, Malmquist and SFA Analysis with Bad Output, with Somesh Kumar Mathur and Sila Mishra, 2021, *Journal of Quantitative Economics*, 19(4), 653-701 [ABDC Journal Ranking B]

### Working Papers

1. Early-life exposure to weather shocks and learning outcomes in India
2. The direct and indirect effects of crime on social capital: Evidence from India
3. Violence, son preference and fertility: Evidence from India (with Debayan Pakrashi and Sounak Thakur) [JMP] [[Link to PDF](#)]
4. Civil unrest and learning outcomes in India (with Debayan Pakrashi and Sounak Thakur) [[Link to PDF](#)]

## Work in Progress

1. Informal financial institutions and crime: Evidence from ROSCAs in India (with *Sounak Thakur*)
2. Does exposure to conflict during the formative years of life impact the ability to work in adulthood? Evidence from India

## PAPER PRESENTATIONS IN REFERRED CONFERENCES

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### 2025

2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Young Minds in Frontiers of Economics, *Institute of New Economic Thinking-Young Scholars Initiative and Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, India*

### 2024

Reflections on Development Economics Conference, *Presidency University Kolkata, India*

(7<sup>th</sup>) Australian Gender Economics Workshop (AGEW), *University of Technology Sydney, Australia*

Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society (AMES-CSW), *Indian Institute of Technology Delhi, India*

### 2023

Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society (AMES), *Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, India*

Research Scholar's Day, *Department of Economic Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, India*

Winter School 2023, *Delhi School of Economics and The Econometric Society, Delhi*

18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, *Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi*

### 2022

17<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, *Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi*

## TEACHING INTERESTS

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**Primary:** Econometrics; Applied Econometrics; Program Evaluation; Microeconomics

**Secondary:** Mathematical Economics; Development Economics; Labour Economics; Macroeconomics

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Teaching Assistant

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| • Program Evaluation, IIT Kanpur (E-Masters)         | Fall 2023-24 |
| • Program Evaluation, IIT Kanpur                     | Spring 2024  |
| • Game Theory, IIT Kanpur                            | Fall 2024    |
| • Introduction to Mathematical Economics, IIT Kanpur | Spring 2023  |

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| · Market Design, IIT Kanpur                               | Fall 2023, 2022      |
| · Applied Statistics and Econometrics, IIT Kanpur (NPTEL) | Spring 2021-22       |
| · Introduction to Economics, IIT Kanpur (BTech)           | Fall 2021-22         |
| · Behavioral and Experimental Economics, IIT Kanpur       | Summer Term, 2020-21 |

## AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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### Academic Achievements

- University Gold Medal for standing first in the B.A. (Hons.) Economics examination 2017 by AMU Aligarh.
- Muzammil Towel Gold Medal for securing the highest marks in Economics in the B.A. (Hons.) 2017 exam by AMU Aligarh.

### Awards

- Travel grant from the INET-YSI for presenting at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Young Minds in Frontiers of Economics at Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, 2025
- Travel grants from the Dean of Academic Affairs, IIT Kanpur, for attending national and international conferences
- Travel grant from the Department of Economic Sciences, IIT Kanpur, for attending the international conference
- Travel grant from the Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Delhi, for attending the conference at ISI 2022
- Travel grant from the Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Delhi, for attending the conference at ISI 2023
- Sir Syed Global Scholar Award (SSGSA) for the year 2016-17 by the AMU Alumni Association, North America.
- UGC-NTA NET June 2019. *Percentile Score 99.55*

## WORKSHOPS

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1. IGC Patna Summer School in Development Economics, jointly organized by IGC and CDS from July 5-9, 2021 (Virtual)
2. Frontier Analysis with DEA, organized by the Deptt. of Economics, Punjab University, Chandigarh from Aug 6-7, 2020.
3. Workshop on Game Theory and Mechanism Design organized by the Department of Economics, JMI New Delhi

## SOFTWARE SKILLS

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<b>Statistical</b>	STATA, R, EVIEWS, SPSS
<b>Office</b>	WINDOWS & MS-Office
<b>Mark-up</b>	$\LaTeX$ & Beamer

## REFERENCES

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