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EDUCATION

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, Kanpur, UP India *Jan 2020 - Present*
Ph.D. Candidate, Economic Sciences (Expected Completion March 2025) (CPI 10/10)
Dissertation Title: *Three Essays in Economics of Crime and Conflict: Evidence from India*
Thesis Supervisors: [Dr. Debayan Pakrashi](#) & [Dr. Sounak Thakur](#)

Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, Delhi, India *July 2017 - July 2019*
Master of Arts in Economics (CGPA 8.3/10)
(Graduated with Distinction)

Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, UP, India *Aug 2014 - July 2017*
Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Economics (Aggregate Marks 74.63%)
(Gold Medalist)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Primary: Development Economics; Economics of Education; Health Economics, Conflicts & Crime
Secondary: Labor Economics, Gender & Family Economics and Behavioral & Experimental Economics

RESEARCH WORK

Working Papers

1. Violence, son preference and fertility: Evidence from India (with *Debayan Pakrashi* and *Sounak Thakur*) [JMP] [\[Link to PDF\]](#)
2. The direct and indirect effects of crime on social capital: Evidence from India *[Under Review]*
3. Informal financial institutions and crime: Evidence from ROSCAs in India (with *Debayan Pakrashi* and *Sounak Thakur*) *[Submitted]*
4. Civil unrest and learning outcomes in India (with *Debayan Pakrashi* and *Sounak Thakur*) [\[Link to PDF\]](#)

Work in Progress

1. Alcohol prohibition and learning outcomes of children: Evidence from India (with *Deeksha, Sarani Saha* and *Sounak Thakur*) [[Link to PDF](#)]

CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2024: (7th) 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; 18th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, *Indian Statistical Institute*, Delhi

2022: 17th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, *Indian Statistical Institute*, Delhi

TEACHING INTERESTS

Primary: Econometrics, Applied Econometrics, Program Evaluation and Microeconomics

Secondary: Mathematical Economics, Development Economics, Labour Economics and Macroeconomics

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Tutoring

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| · Program Evaluation, IIT Kanpur (E-Masters) | Fall 2023-24 |
| · Applied Statistics and Econometrics, IIT Kanpur (NPTEL) | Spring 2021-22 |
| · Introduction to Economics, IIT Kanpur (BTech) | Fall 2021-22 |

Teaching Assistant

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| · Program Evaluation, IIT Kanpur | Spring 2024 |
| · Game Theory, IIT Kanpur | Fall 2024 |
| · Introduction to Mathematical Economics, IIT Kanpur | Spring 2023 |
| · Market Design, IIT Kanpur | Fall 2023, 2022 |
| · Behavioral and Experimental Economics, IIT Kanpur | Summer Term, 2020-21 |

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic Achievements

- Secured *CPI 10/10* in Ph.D. coursework at IIT Kanpur
- University Gold Medal for standing first in B.A (Hons.) Economics examination 2017 by AMU Aligarh.
- Muzzamil Towel Gold Medal for securing the highest marks in Economics in B.A (Hons.) 2017 exam by AMU Aligarh.

Awards

- 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

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

Statistical	STATA, R, EVIEWS, SPSS
Office	WINDOWS & MS-Office (1-Year Computer Diploma certificate from NIELIT)
Mark-up	\LaTeX & Beamer

REFERENCES

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