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Academic Employment	UC San Diego, Postdoctoral Scholar, Dept. of Economics		July 2020 -
Prior Education	Ph.D., Agricultural and Resource Economics, UC Berkeley <i>Committee:</i> Aprajit Mahajan, Elisabeth Sadoulet, Frederico Finan		2020
	Master of Public Policy, UC Berkeley		
	B.E. (Computer Science and Engineering), B.M.S College of Engineering (V.T.U), Bangalore, India		
Working Papers	“Courts Redux: Micro-evidence from India” (PAPER) <i>Coverage:</i> (Ideas for India Blog-post)(LiveMint). “Got (Clean) Milk?: Transparency, Governance, and Incentives for Cleanliness in Indian Dairy Cooperatives” with Ashish Shenoy <i>Pre-analysis plan filed with the AEA RCT Registry</i> (#AEARCTR-0000700) (PAPER) “Institutional Factors of Credit Allocation: Examining the Role of Judicial Capacity and Bankruptcy Reforms” (PAPER) “Whither Justice?: Judicial Capacity Constraints Worsens Trial and Litigants’ Outcomes”(PAPER)		
Research in Progress	“Mission Kakatiya: Impact Evaluation of Minor Irrigation Tank Rehabilitation in Telangana” with Xavier Gine, Aprajit Mahajan, Anup Malani <i>Pre-analysis plan filed with the AEA RCT Registry</i> (#AEARCTR-0001821). “The Power of Agency: Evidence from India” with Xavier Gine, Aprajit Mahajan, Anup Malani <i>Pre-analysis plan filed with the AEA RCT Registry</i> (#AEARCTR-0004336). “Poverty Traps, Structural Transformation, and Rural Land Concentration in India” with Prashant Bharadwaj and Juan Eberhard		
Book Chapters	Rao, M., Court Efficiency and Business Outcomes: Measuring the Performance of District Courts, in Justice Frustrated: The Systemic Impact of Delays in Indian Courts, Bloomsbury India, Shruti Vidyasagar, Shruthi Naik, and Harish Narasappa (eds) (2020) de Janvry, A., Rao, M., Sadoulet, E. (2017) Learning for adopting: Technology adoption in developing country agriculture, Ferdi, 120 p., de Janvry, A., Macours K., Sadoulet, E. (eds) (2017)		
Teaching/GSI (UC Berkeley)	Dept. ARE and Econ,	<i>Intro to Environmental Economics</i> , Fernando Hoces de la Guardia	2020
	Dept. ARE,	<i>International Economic Development</i> , Alain de Janvry & Bruce Wydick	2017
	Dept. ARE and Econ,	<i>Economic Development</i> , Aprajit Mahajan	2016
	Dept. Economics,	<i>Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis</i> , Steven Wood	2010
	Dept. Economics,	<i>20th Century Economic History</i> , Brad DeLong	2009

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards	2021	J-PAL GI and K-CAI Grants \$100,000 and \$101,654 (w/ Xavier Gine, Aprajit Mahajan, Anup Malani)
	2020	The World Bank Research Grant \$124,490; ATAI Top-up Grant \$49,207 (w/ Xavier Gine, Aprajit Mahajan, Anup Malani)
	2019	The Jean O. Lanjouw Memorial Endowment (\$757); UC Berkeley Conference Travel Grant (\$ 900)
	2018	IRLE Graduate Student Award (w/ Vaishnavi Surendra, \$6000), The World Bank Proposal Development Grant (w/ Xavier Gine, Aprajit Mahajan, Anup Malani, \$30,000)
	2017	ATAI Grant (w/ Xavier Gine, Aprajit Mahajan, Anup Malani, \$233,565), IGC Grant for Judicial Efficiency and Economic Outcomes (PI Advisor: Aprajit Mahajan, £50,000)
	2015	Levin Family Fellowship (w/ Fiona Burlig and Louis Preonas, \$ 800), Maharaj Kaul Research Travel Grant (\$ 1000)
	≤ 2014	Post Primary Education Initiative Exploratory Grant (w/ Bastien Michel and Bhavya Srinivasan, \$ 10,000), USAID DIV Pilot Award, (w/ Emily Breza, Arun Chandrasekhar, and Ashish Shenoy, \$ 99,632), Berkeley International Office Fellowship, Jacob K. Javits Summer Fellowship
Talks	2021	ASSA 2021 Poster Session; Pacdev, UC San Diego; Oxford CSAE Conference; University of Kent (Econ Department Seminar); NBER Spring Org Econ (co-author presenting); University of California Riverside* (Applied Econ Seminar); NEUDC*, Boston Univ
	2020	PacDev; Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (cancelled); SIOE (self organized session); Advances in Micro Development Economics-Barcelona GSE; American Law and Economics Association Annual Conference (cancelled); Webinar Series in Finance and Development; Virtual Law and Macro Conference, Yale; NBER Fall Development (lightning round)
	2019	NEUDC (Northwestern U); UC Berkeley (Econ and ARE Dept Seminars); Berkeley Undergraduate Women in Economics Research Panel
	≤ 2018	UC Berkeley Development Lunch 2018; J-PAL South Asia Annual Staff Meet 2017; Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Tamil Nadu 2014; PHFI New Delhi 2013
		*scheduled
Refereeing		<i>Rand Journal of Economics, Environment and Development Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Development Economics</i>
Service	Fall 2020	Academic Mentor, UN-SDG Undergraduate Research Group (Berkeley) “Understanding economic resiliency to COVID-19 in the city of Berkeley”
	2015 - 20	Leadership Board and Undergraduate Mentorship, Women in Economics at Berkeley
	2018 - 19	ARE PhD Admissions Committee Student Member
	2015 - 16	Organizer, Dept. Coffee Hour
Prior Employment	2018	The World Bank, Consultant
	2010-14	J-PAL South Asia, Senior Research Manager (position at the time of exit)
	≤ 2010	The Asian Development Bank, Consultant; Janaagraha, Associate; Infosys Ltd, Software Engineer
Languages		English (proficient), Hindi (proficient), Kannada (native), Tamil (conversational)
Skills		R (proficient), Stata (proficient), Python (Intermediate)