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Education

PhD in Economics	Shiv Nadar Institution of Eminence, India	2021-2025 (Expected)
M.A. Economics	Ambedkar University, New Delhi, India	2018 - 2020
B.A. (Hons.) Economics	University of Delhi, India	2015 - 2018

Research Fields

Health Economics, Labour Economics, Gender Economics, Development Economics

Published paper

“Mathur, Anshika and Sen, Gitanjali, Money Matters: Evidence from a Conditional Cash Transfer Scheme on Child Health” (with Gitanjali Sen), *Journal of Human Capital, Forthcoming*

Working Paper

“The Granny Penalty: Navigating the Challenges of Informal Childcare” (with Gitanjali Sen), *Submitted*

Abstract: This study examines the impact of grandchild care on the labor market outcomes of grandparents amid the rapid aging and feminization of the global population. Employing an instrumental variable approach, we find a substantial negative effect on the employment rate of grandmothers, particularly for those cohabiting with their children, while no significant effect is observed for grandfathers. These findings suggest that grandchild caregiving contributes to the gender gap in labor force participation among the elderly, with a more pronounced effect in urban areas. We also find that the reduction in labor supply occurs primarily among younger grandmothers, indicating an early withdrawal from the workforce.

“Women and the Web: Connectivity and crime against women” (with Gitanjali Sen)

Abstract: This study examines the relationship between internet connectivity and crime against women in India, utilizing spatial variation in broadband availability across districts. This research informs policy discussions on the intersection of technology, gender, and public safety.

“Young Lives, Deep Mines: The Impact of Mineral Proximity on Child Health”

Abstract: This study investigates the impact of proximity to mineral deposits and active mines on child health outcomes in India, leveraging a unique spatial discontinuity approach. By exploiting natural geographic variation in the distribution of mineral deposits across villages, we isolate the effects of exposure to mining activities on children’s health.

Teaching and Work Experience

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, Shiv Nadar University	2021–2024
<i>Courses:</i> Logic and Scientific Methods, Principles of Macroeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics, Poverty and Inequality, Econometrics II	

Research Assistant, Department of Economics, Shiv Nadar University	Spring 2024
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Completed Ph.D. Courses

Credit courses: Microeconomics I, Macroeconomics I, Statistics, Econometrics I, Econometrics II, Macroeconomics II

Audit Courses: Political and Institutional Economics, Development Economics

Research Courses: Research Methodology, Pre-thesis Credits (under Dr. Gitanjali Sen)

Conferences

- 21st Midwestern International Economic Development Conference - University of Chicago 2024
 - IMR Doctoral Conference - IIM Bangalore (Awarded Best Paper)
 - Annual Conference in Economics & Finance - BITS Pilani, Hyderabad
 - Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development - ISI Delhi 2023
 - International Conference on Issues in Economic Theory and Policy - Presidency University
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Workshops

- Association for Mentoring and Inclusion in Economics Mentorship Program 2023
 - Geo-statistical Methods for Economic Analysis - IGIDR, Mumbai 2022
 - The Art and Science of Doing Research in Development Economics - ISI Delhi
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Software Skills

STATA, Python, QGIS, R, LaTeX, ArcGIS , MS Office

References

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