

# Pavitra Kanagaraj

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## Education

### Barcelona School of Economics

Master's in Specialized Economic Analysis, Macroeconomic Policy and Financial Markets

Barcelona, Spain

Sept 2023 - July 2024

- Thesis: Inflation in the Face of Weather Shocks: Evidence from Germany, India, and Spain; CGPA: 8.58/10

### Jawaharlal Nehru University

MA Economics

Delhi, India

2019 - 2021

- Thesis: Volunteer's Dilemma in COVID-19 pandemic; CGPA: 6.43/9

### University of Delhi

BA(H) Economics

Delhi, India

2016 - 2019

- CGPA: 8.595/10, First Class Honours

## Work Experience

### Hindustan Times

Data Journalist

Delhi, India

Feb 2022 - Jul 2023

- Published 50+ long-form data stories on the macroeconomic developments in India and G20 economies.
- Maintained state-level COVID-19 HT database by tracking and extracting information from various sources daily.

### Economic Research Foundation

Research Associate

Delhi, India

Jun 2021 - Feb 2022

- Contributions to Prof. Jayati Ghosh's book on "The Disastrous Economic Fallout of the COVID-19 Pandemic in India"
- Contributions to a UNECLAC study on the macroprudential regulations in Africa in the context of the Covid-19 crisis with Prof. C.P. Chandrasekhar.

### Macroeconomic Policy and Financing for Development, UNESCAP

Research Intern

Bangkok, Thailand (Remote)

Jun 2021 - Nov 2021

- Contributions to "Chapter 1: Financing the SDGs in the era of COVID-19", UNESCAP Financing for Development Series No.4
- Working paper on assessing the performance of the National Development Banks in the APAC with Dr. Alberto Isgut, Economic Affairs Officer

## Skills

**Data Analysis** Python, MATLAB, R (Intermediate), STATA (Beginner), Advanced Excel, Tabula

**Miscellaneous** QGIS, Data Wrapper, LaTeX (Overleaf/R Markdown), Tableau, Microsoft Office.

**Languages** Tamil (Native), English & Hindi (Fluent), Spanish (Beginner)

## Achievements

2022	<b>Journalist of the Month</b> , Hindustan Times for my data story on <i>the economic implications of the overturn of Roe vs. Wade judgment on the US women.</i>	India
2022	<b>310/340</b> , Graduate Record Examinations (GRE)	India
2019	<b>Highest SGPA</b> , Dept of Economics, SGTB Khalsa College	India
2016	<b>Academic Topper</b> , Tamil Nadu Board of Higher Secondary Examination	India

## Publications

### Policy paper

Centre for Civil Society

India

2019

- Coauthored Chapter 2: "What does it take to open a school in Delhi?", Anatomy of K-12 Governance in India *Evidence from states on regulations in private schools*

### Key Media Articles

Hindustan Times

India

- A big picture on India's direct tax base, February 7, 2023
- Britain's economic decline in five charts, April 27, 2023
- The challenges ahead of Lula's third term in Brazil, November 14, 2022

References available upon request.