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## Professional Experience

### *Meta Platforms, Inc.*

Research Scientist, Demography and Survey Science Team

Aug 2022–Present

### *University of Connecticut, Dept. of Economics*

Teaching Assistant, Research Assistant, and Instructor of Record

Aug 2017 – May 2022

### *World Bank*

Short-term Consultant

July 2019–Aug 2019 & Sept 2020–Dec 2020

### *Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), South Asia*

Research Manager

June 2014 – July 2015

Research Associate

Nov 2011 – May 2014

### *Centre for Microfinance, IFMR Research*

Research Consultant

Aug 2009 – July 2010

## Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Connecticut

2017–2022

M.Sc. Economics, University of Texas at Austin

2015–2017

M.Sc. Economics, University of Essex, UK

2010–2011

B.A. (Hons.) Economics, University of Delhi, India

2006–2009

## Research

### *Publications/Accepted Papers*

Gender composition of children and sanitation behavior in India. *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, 2024, Volume 125, 102962

(Accepted) When Criminality Begets Crime: The Role of Elected Politicians in India. *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization* (with Nishith Prakash, Soham Sahoo and Reetika Sindhi)

(Accepted) Understanding Behavioral Barriers to Demand for Mental Health Services: Experimental Evidence from Nepal. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* (with Lindsey Buck, Nirajana Mishra, Priya Mukherjee, Nikhilesh Prakash, Nishith Prakash, Diane Quinn and Shwetlena Sabarwal)

## Revise & Resubmit

Does Goal-Setting Pulls Off or Stops Short? Evidence from an at scale Experiment in Tanzania, with Asad Islam, Sungoh Kwon, Eema Masood, Nishith Prakash and Shwetlena Sabarwal (*R&R at Economics of Education Review*)

Can Technology Mitigate the Impact of Heat and Humidity on Productivity? Experimental Evidence from India, with Anna Custers, Bhavani Prathap Kasina, Anjali Priya Verma and Patralekha Ukil (*R&R at Economics and Human Biology*)

## Working Papers

Labor Market Impacts of Exposure to Affordable Housing Supply: Evidence from the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program

Minimum Scholastic Standards and Student Outcomes: Role of Support Services in the U.S., with Nishith Prakash and Stephen L. Ross

## Work in Progress

Job Loss and Marital Dissolution: The Role of Outside Option and Gender, with Patralekha Ukil

Impact of Early Childhood Education in Nepal, with Lindsey Buck, Rachel Cohen, Nathan Fiala, Nishith Prakash and Shwetlena Sabarwal

## Other Policy Writing

Educator Knowledge of Early Childhood Development: Evidence from Eastern Nepal. Policy Research Working Paper No. 9381. World Bank, Washington, DC. © World Bank. Licence: CC BY 3.0 IGO., with Lindsey Buck, Nathan Fiala, Nishith Prakash, Shwetlena Sabarwal and Deepika Shrestha

## Conferences and Invited Presentations

- 2024 99th Annual Conference of the Western Economic Association International; Urban Economics Association's 18th North American Meeting (*scheduled*); SEA 94th Annual Meeting (*scheduled*)
- 2023 University of California–San Diego (*invited seminar*); SEA 93rd Annual Meeting
- 2022 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (*invited seminar*); Newcastle University, UK; Meta Platforms, Inc. (formerly Facebook); Analysis Group; Syracuse University; Sarojini Naidu College for Women, Kolkata, India)
- 2021 Asia Impact Evaluation Conference; KDI School-World Bank DIME Conference; Southern Economic Association's 91st Annual Meeting (Session Organizer); Symposium on Economic Experiments in Developing Countries; Economic Development in Africa (CSAE), University of Oxford; University of Connecticut
- 2020 SEA 90th Annual Meeting; NEUDC, Dartmouth College; University of Connecticut; Advances in Field Experiments, University of Chicago; 17th Midwest International Economic Development Conference, Purdue University; World Bank, Washington DC (*invited seminar*)
- 2019 ISI, Delhi; Norms and Behavioral Change (NoBeC) Conference, UPenn; NEUDC, Northwestern University; IIM Bangalore, India; Jindal Global University, India (*invited seminar*); University of Connecticut
- 2018 SEA 88th Annual Meeting; Department of Political Science, University of Connecticut (*invited seminar*)

## Professional Activities

Peer-review for academic Journals:

*Journal of Development Studies; Journal of Development Economics; Economia Politica; Economics of Education Review; Empirical Economics; Economic Modelling; Science Advances; Economic Inquiry; PLOS ONE (×2); Feminist Economics; Journal of International Development; MARGIN: The Indian Journal of Applied Economics*

Paper review for academic conferences:

The North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) 2024 Conference

Other:

Data analysis for the *Healthy Minds Study* - Wellness Coalition Academic Affairs Partnership Committee, UConn Student Health and Wellness

Organizer: Student Seminar Series, Dept. of Economics, UConn (2020-21)

## Honors, Awards, & Fellowships

Best Third Year Paper Award, Department of Economics, University of Connecticut, 2020.

Travel Award by Health Economics and Policy Education Lab, University of Connecticut, 2019

Teaching Excellence Letter from the Office of Provost, University of Connecticut, 2017 & 2018

Postgraduate Scholarship by University of Essex, UK, 2010-2011

Travel Grant for Postgraduate Studies by Sir Ratan Tata Trust, 2010

## Skills & Certifications

*Programs:* Stata, R, SQL, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, ArcGIS, Python (beginner)

*Other:* "W" course certification (certified to teach a writing course at the University of Connecticut)