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## **Academic Affiliations:**

Associate Professor, IIM Calcutta, May 2019 - present  
Assistant Professor, IIM Calcutta, June 2017 - April 2019  
Assistant Professor, IIT Kanpur, August 2011 - May 2017  
Research Associate, DIW Berlin, August 2009 - August 2011  
Research Affiliate, CESifo Munich, July 2019 - present  
Fellow, Global Labor Organization, 2018 - present  
Research Fellow, IZA Bonn, August 2009 - present

## **Professional Service:**

Associate Editor, Journal of South Asian Development, 2022 – present  
Member, Expert Group on Minimum Wages, Government of India, 2021  
Grant reviewer for GLM-LIC(2013, 2014), 3ie(2017), Retail Finance Distribution(2022, 2023)

## **Education:**

PhD Economics, Washington University, St Louis, 2009  
M. A. Economics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, 2002  
B. Sc. Economics, Calcutta University, Kolkata, India, 2000

## **Research Interests:**

Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics, Gender, Network and Institutions, Education and Health

## **Journal Publications:**

Caste, Courts and Business, 2023, (with Anirban Mukherjee, Sarani Saha and Divya Shukla), *GLO DP No. 935, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 212, 333-365.

Economic Geography of Contagion: A Study on COVID-19 Outbreak in India, 2023, (with Anirban Mukherjee), *GLO DP No. 1028; IZA DP No. 14400, Journal of Population Economics*, 1-33.

Temporary International Migration, Shocks and Informal Insurance: Analysis using panel data, 2022, (with Manish Pandey), *GLO DP No. 759; IZA DP No. 14051, IZA Journal of Development and Migration*, 13.1.

Beyond the average: Ethnic Capital Heterogeneity and Intergenerational Transmission of Education. (with Simone Schueller and Klaus Zimmermann), 2019, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 163, 551-569.

School Feeding and Learning Achievement: Evidence from India's Midday Meal Program, (with Rajshri Jayaraman), 2019, *Journal of Development Economics*, 139, 249-265.

Stigma of Sexual Violence and Women's Decision to Work, (with Anirban Mukherjee, Swapnika Reddy Rachapalli and Sarani Saha), 2018, *World Development* 103: 226-238

Mother's Autonomy and Child's Secondary Schooling Enrollment in Mexico, (with Prabal De), 2017, *Review of Economics of the Household*, 15(3), 1037-1053.

English Language Premium in a Globalizing Economy: Evidence from a Policy Experiment in India, (with Shilpi Kapur), 2016, *Economics of Education Review*, 50: 1-16, Springer

Trade Liberalization in a Traditional Society: Implications for Relative Female Survival, 2015, *World Development*, Volume 74, Pages 158–170, Elsevier

Court-ship, Kinship and Business: A study on the interaction between the formal and informal institutions and its effect on entrepreneurship, (with Anirban Mukherjee and Sarani Saha), 2015, *IZA Journal of Labor & Development* 4.1: 1-21, Springer

Transfer Behaviour in Migrant Sending Communities (with Bakhrom Mirkasimov, and Susan Steiner), 2014, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, doi:10.1016/j.jce.2014.09.004, Elsevier

Kinship Institutions and Sex Ratios in India (with Sukkoo Kim), 2010, *Demography* Vol.47, No. 4, pp. 989-1012, Springer

#### **Papers under Review:**

Women, Violence and Work: Threat of Sexual Violence and Women's Decision to Work, 2022, (with Nafisa Lohawala), *RR at Review of Development Economics*  
Addiction, Debt and Moral Hazard: Evidence from Alcohol Prohibition Policies in India, 2023, (with Priya Rachel David), *under review*

#### **Work in Progress:**

Monetary Incentives for Journal Publications: Evidence from a Natural Experiment, (with Debashish Bhattacharjee)  
Informal networks and demand for formal health insurance, (with Titir Bhattacharya and Anirban Mukherjee)  
Health Shocks and Educational Achievement: Mitigating role of Health Insurance, (with Titir Bhattacharya)  
Impacts of Public Insurance on Health Access and Outcomes - Evidence from India, (with Titir Bhattacharya and Prabal De)  
Formal Contract Enforcement and occupational mobility, (with Abhishek S Shekhawat, Anirban Mukherjee and Sarani Saha)  
Loan Repayment Behavior of Farmers: Analysing Indian Households, 2018, (with Aarti Gupta), *IIMC Working Paper Series WPS-882*  
Efficacy of Farm Loan Waivers, 2018, (with Aarti Gupta),  
<https://home.iitk.ac.in/~tanika/files/research/LoanWaiverAT.pdf>

#### **Other Publications:**

Gendered Violence and Gender disparity at Work, 2023, *GenderTalk*, NCAER-NDIC

Midday meals in India improve children's learning outcomes, 2022, (with Raji Jayaraman), *Voxdev.org*

Is it safe? Threat of sexual violence and women's decision to work, 2021, (with Nafisa Lohawala), *Ideas for India*.

Sustainability of loan waiver programs in India, 2020, (with Aarti Gupta), [Book Chapter] *Contemporary Issues in Sustainable Development: The Case of India*, 378, Taylor & Francis.

Contemporary Issues in Sustainable Development: The Case of India, 2020, (with Deep Mukherjee, and Sarani Saha), [Edited Book], Taylor & Francis.

Court congestion, caste identity, and business performance, 2020, (with Anirban Mukherjee, Sarani Saha and Divya Shukla), *Ideas for India*.

Formal Contract Enforcement and Entrepreneurial Success of the Marginalized, (with Reema Kumari, Anirban Mukherjee and Sarani Saha), 2019, [Book Chapter] *Opportunities and Challenges in Development* (pp. 171-195), Springer.

The hazards of farm loan waivers, (with Aarti Gupta), 2017, *Live Mint*, May 24

The Downside of Repeated Debt Waivers, (with Aarti Gupta), 2017, *The Wire*, 29 Jun

### **Sponsored Projects/Consulting:**

IIM Calcutta Research Grant, 2018-2019, 2020, 2023

Remuneration Structure of Field Supervisors and Loan Recovery (co-PI) – sponsored by West Bengal Minorities Development and Finance Corporation, 2020-2021

Courts, Networks and Start-Ups: Institutions matter for small enterprise development in South Asia (PI) - sponsored by IDRC, Canada, 2015-2017

A study on the interaction between the formal and informal institutions and its effect on entrepreneurship (PI) – sponsored by ICSSR, 2014 – 2015

Employment Creating Effects of Highways Constructed (Co-PI) - sponsored by Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, 2016 – 2017

Decisions made under uncertainties and limited information by IIT Kanpur undergraduate students (Co-PI) - sponsored by IIT Kanpur, 2012 – 2015

Gender And Employment in Central Asia (Researcher) - sponsored by DFID & IZA, 2012 – 2015

A study on Child Labor in Uttar Pradesh (Consulting) - sponsored by Ministry of Labor, UP, 2015-2016

Protective environment in schools (Consulting) - sponsored by UNICEF & Ministry of Labor, UP, 2012-2013

### **Teaching Experience:**

*IIM Calcutta*: India and the World Economy, Development Economics, Applied Econometrics, Personnel Economics, Public Economics, Business Economics [MBA/MS, PhD, Executive]

*IIT Kanpur*: Public Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Econometrics, Principles of Economics, Development Economics [BS, MS, PhD]

*DIW Berlin*: Readings in Empirical Economics [PhD]

*Washington University*: Price Theory, Income & Employment Theory [BS]

### **Thesis Guidance:**

*PhD Thesis* – Complete (Aarti Gupta), In progress (Titir Bhattacharyya, Sohini Mazumdar)

*Master's Thesis*– 15 (4 received Best Thesis Award at IITK)

### **Conference/Seminar Presentations:**

2023: Accepted at European Association of Law and Economics, Annual meeting of the European Economic Association, IIMA-RISE conference on Education Economics  
2022: IZA Workshop on the Economics of Education, NSM conference at IIM Ahmedabad, Invited seminar at IIT Bombay, IEG Delhi and IIT Kanpur  
2021: NEUDC, Seminar at Jawaharlal Nehru University, Institute of Economic Growth  
2020: SAMVAAD, <http://samvaad.org.in/>, Indian Economy and Society – CDS Trivandrum  
2019: The Economics of Migration: Perspectives on Family, Gender, and Fertility, University of Freiburg  
2017, 2018: Emerging Markets Finance, seminar at University of Winnipeg  
2016: Seminar at Goettingen University, University of Sherbrooke, ISI Delhi  
2015: Accepted at ESPE, SOLE, EALE, Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development at ISI, Invited to ISB Hyderabad

### **Conference/Workshops Organized:**

2023: Conference on Contemporary Issues in the Indian Economy, at IIM Calcutta  
2020: Virtual Workshop on COVID-19 and the Indian Economy, Society of Economic Research in India (SERI)  
2019: Annual Workshop of SERI, at IIT Kanpur  
2018: Conference on 'New Directions in Economic Theory and Empirical Economics' at IIM Calcutta; Workshop organized on 'Courts, Networks and Startups' in Kolkata  
2017: Workshop organized on 'Institutions, Networks and Startups' at IIT Kanpur  
2016: Session organized at the Canadian Economic Association conference

### **Research Visits:**

CESifo, Munich, April 2019  
European School of Management Technology, May 2018  
University of Winnipeg, May 2017  
University of Mainz, December 2016  
IZA Bonn, June 2014

### **Awards and Fellowships:**

IITK Class of 1984 Faculty Research Fellowship, 2015-2018  
Institute Fellowship, IIT Kanpur, 2011-2014  
Summer Fellowship, IZA-Bonn, 2012, 2013, 2014  
PAA Travel Award, 2012  
Travel Award at the World Congress of the Econometric Society 2010  
Weidenbaum Center Research Fellowship, Washington University, 2006-2007  
Competitive Summer Research Grants, Washington University, 2004-2008  
Dissertation Fellowship, Washington University, 2002-2009  
Ford Foundation Scholarship, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2000-2002