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## EDUCATION

- **Ph.D. in Economics**, *Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi*, Delhi, India, October 2020
- **M.A. in Economics**, *Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi*, Delhi, India, 2012
- **B.A. in Economics (Hons.)**, *SGTB Khalsa College, University of Delhi, University of Delhi*, India, 2009

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Health, Nutrition, Behavioral Economics, and Applied Microeconomics

## CURRENT POSITION

- **Sir Ratan Tata Fellow**, *Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), Delhi*, October 2020- present

## PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

- Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics. February 2020-May 2020  
Course: Macroeconomics
- Part-time Editorial Assistant for the “Indian Economic Review”. April 2019-June 2020
- Research Assistant: For Prof J.V. Meenakshi, Delhi School of Economics, 2018

## PUBLICATIONS

- Labor Market Engagement and the Body Mass Index of Working Adults: Evidence from India (joint with Pushkar Maitra and Nidhiya Menon). *Economics & Human Biology*, 2019.  
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1570677X18301151>
- Digital Paper Prints as Replacement for LASER Films: A Study of Intra-Observer Agreement for Wrist Radiographic Findings in Rickets (joint with Abhinav Jain, Priyanka Gupta and Surinder Pal Singh Anand). *Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research*, 2016.  
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5028466/>

## BOOK CHAPTERS

- The Geography of Excess Weight in Urban India: Regional Patterns and Labour Market and Dietary Correlates (joint with Pushkar Maitra and Nidhiya Menon) in *Disease, Human Health, and Regional Growth and Development in Asia*, edited by Amitrajeet A. Batabyal, Yoshiro Higano and Peter Nijkamp, Springer 2019.  
[https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-981-13-6268-2\\_3](https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-981-13-6268-2_3)
- The nutrition transition and the intra-household double burden of malnutrition in India (joint with J.V. Meenakshi) in *Wealthy But Unhealthy: Overweight and Obesity in Asia and the Pacific: Trends, Costs, and Policies for Better Health*, edited by Helble Matthias and Azusa Sato, *Asian Development Bank Institute*, 2018.  
<https://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/publication/432536/adbi-wealthy-unhealthy-overweight-obesity-asia-pacific.pdf#page=30>

## WORKING PAPERS/PAPERS UNDER REVIEW/SUBMISSION

- Obesity and its Impact on COVID Occurrence: Evidence from India (joint with Indrani Gupta) Institute of Economic Growth Working Paper no.430, 2021 (under submission).  
[http://iegindia.in/upload/profile\\_publication/doc-240521\\_180751WP430.pdf](http://iegindia.in/upload/profile_publication/doc-240521_180751WP430.pdf)
- Role of Time Preferences in Explaining the Burden of Malnutrition: Evidence from Urban India. Centre for Development Economics Working Paper no. 309, 2020 (**under review**).  
<http://econdse.org/wp-content/uploads/work309.pdf>

## MEDIA PUBLICATIONS

- Role of Time Preferences in Explaining the Burden of Malnutrition: Evidence from Urban India – Podcast with Shruti Rajagopalan on Ideas of India, 2021  
<https://ideasofindia.libsyn.com/archana-dang-on-savings-self-control-and-obesity-patterns>
- Covid-19: Does obesity play a role? – Ideas for India, 2021  
<https://www.ideasforindia.in/topics/human-development/covid-19-does-obesity-play-a-role.html>.
- Labor Market Engagement and the Body Mass Index of Working Adults: Evidence from India  
[Link to India Spend Article Based on this Research](#)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

- Impact of fat tax on demand for food from restaurants (joint with Pushkar Maitra and Nidhiya Menon)
- Predictors of Overnutrition among school-going children and adolescents: Evidence from Urban Delhi (joint with Nitya Mittal)
- Health inequality across India (joint with Sunaina Dhingra)
- COVID-19 and inequality in India (joint with Indrani Gupta and Mausumi Das)

## RESEARCH GRANTS

- Principal Investigator, *Determinants of Overnutrition among adults and adolescents* funded by University of Gottingen, 2018

## MENTORING

- Ms. Aarti Malik and Mr. Meet Mehta, IEG Summer Research Fellowship 2021  
"Labor Market Success and Parental Education: Evidence from Early Labor Market Candidates"

## JOURNAL REFEREEING

- Indian Growth and Development Review, Economics & Human Biology

## CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

- Discussant at 11th biennial conference of the Indian Society for Ecological Economics (INSEE), December 2021.
- Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi, Faculty Seminar, January 2021.
- Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Delhi, Invited Speaker, February 2020.

- International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), South Asia Office, New Delhi, India, December 2019.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development organized by Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi in December 2019.
- Winter School 2019 organized by Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics in December 2019.
- Conversations of Research - Ph.D. Colloquium 2018 organized by Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai in November 2018.
- Fourth International Conference on South Asian Economic Development organized by South Asian University, Delhi, in February 2018.
- Winter School 2017 organized by the Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics in December 2017
- Summer School on Health Policy Research: Theory and Applications organized by Azim Premji University and Indian Health Economics and Policy Associations in June 2016.

#### OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Organizer, Weekly Seminar Series, Institute of Economic Growth, October 2021-present.
- Organized Winter School 2019 held at the Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics in December 2019.

#### AWARDS

- Won *Harsh Malhotra Award* for the best paper among research scholars 2021.
- *DAAD Fellowship*, Visited University of Gottingen from July 2016-September 2016.
- Centre for Development Economics fellowship, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi.
- Received *Prof. Balvir and Ranjana Singh Memorial Scholarship* for the year 2011-12 in masters for academic excellence.
- B.A. (Honours) Economics *College Topper* award by SGTB Khalsa College, the University of Delhi for securing first position in all three years.
- B.A. (Honours) Economics *College Topper* award in first and second year by SGTB Khalsa College, University of Delhi for academic excellence.

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Proficient in MS- OFFICE, Software package – STATA, LaTeX

#### REFERENCES

- Available on request

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