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Primary Fields Development Economics; Macroeconomics; Microeconomics;

Econometrics

Research Process of Structural Transformation; Intersectoral Linkages;

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Education *Ph.D. Economics* Thesis

South Asian University, New Delhi. India. Submitted:

Title: "Understanding the Role of Intersectoral Dynamics for Agrarian Development: Empirical Evidence from India"

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Defense awaited

Dissertation Committee:

Dr. Snehashish Bhattacharya (primary supervisor)

Dr. Anirban Dasgupta (co-supervisor)

M.Phil./Ph.D. Economics Coursework 2016

South Asian University, New Delhi. India. CGPA in coursework: 7.55/9.0 (A-minus only);

granted exemption from M.Phil. dissertation and given direct

admission to Ph.D.

M.A. Economics 2014

Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, India.

Marks: 65.6% (First class)

B.A. Economics (Honors) 2012

Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Khalsa College, University of Delhi.

Delhi. India.

Marks: 67% (First class)

Teaching and Teaching Assistant Monsoon 2017

Research Graduate Mathematics, South Asian University.

Experience (Primary Instructor: Dr. Namrata Gulati)

Award and Junior Research Fellowship in Economics December, 2014

Grants University Grants Commission (UGC), India

National Eligibility Test for Lectureship in Economics
University Grants Commission (UGC), India

December, 2014

IIOA Travel Grant to present paper at the 27th International Input-Output Association (IIOA) Conference held at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland, on 30 June – 5 July 2019.

2019

Travel Grant to present paper at the Young Scholars Initiative (YSI) Asia Convening held at the Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Vietnam, on 12 – 14 August 2019.

2019

Professional Experience

Interned at Mahatma Gandhi State Institute of Public Administration, Punjab.

2013

Project Title: 'Evaluation of Punjab Right to Service Act, 2011'.

Papers (being prepared for submission to a peerreviewed journal / in progress) Intersectoral Linkages and Growth Spillovers between Agriculture and Non-Agriculture: Long-run Evidences

Abstract: The paper analyses the dynamics of intersectoral linkages between agriculture and non-agriculture by undertaking a causal analysis using both parametric and non-parametric methods within a Granger causality framework for the period 1951 to 2014 and finds that there is a lack of evidence of Granger causality thereby implying that agriculture has not played its envisaged role in the growth process.

A Disaggregated Analysis of Agriculture-Industry Linkages and their Implications Abstract: The paper explores the evolving pattern of linkages between agricultural and industrial subsectors using input-output transaction tables for the period 1973-74 – 2013-14, and finds that agriculture's linkages registered an improvement since 2003-04. Further, there is increasing interaction with certain formal as well as with informal industrial sub-sectors, which raises concerns regarding the expected path of structural transformation through intersectoral linkages.

Agrarian Institutions and Intersectoral Linkages: Implications for Agricultural Households

Abstract: The paper attempts to understand the importance of agri-institutions in improving the economic wellbeing of agricultural households through intersectoral linkages in India. Using farm-household level disaggregated data for 2003 and 2013, the paper finds that after controlling for access to institutions, the change in households' agricultural incomes are positively and significantly associated with change in linkage values between agriculture and industry over time, and the magnitude of this association is much higher for households who have access to certain key agri-institutions vis-a-vis those who do not.

Other Publications Conference Presentations "The \$30 Billion Mark: An Incredible Vision", Diplomacy and Beyond Plus, 2018

"Modelling the State's Right to Services Act and Impact Assessment Study of RTS Act in Punjab", paper presented at *IX Annual International Conference on Public Policy and Management* held at IIM Bangalore, during 11 – 13th August, 2014.

"Understanding Agriculture-Industry Inter-linkages for Agrarian Development", paper presented at the *Sixth Peradeniya International Economics Research Symposium (PIERS-2018)* held at University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka, during November $8 - 9^{th}$, 2018.

"Understanding Agriculture-Industry Inter-Linkages for

Agrarian Development: Empirical Evidence from India", paper presented at the 27th International Input-Output Association (IIOA) Conference held at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland, during 30 June – 5 July 2019 and at the Young Scholars Initiative (YSI) Asia Convening held at the Vietnam National University, Hanoi, Vietnam, during 12 – 14th August 2019

"Revisiting Agriculture-Industry Linkages for Agrarian Development: Empirical Evidence from India", paper presented at the 61^{st} Annual Conference of The Indian Society of Labour Economics (ISLE) held at Punjabi University, Patiala, during $7-9^{th}$ December, 2019.

"Agrarian Institutions and Intersectoral Linkages: Implications for Agricultural Households", paper presented at the 62^{nd} Annual Conference of The Indian Society of Labour Economics (ISLE) held at IIT Roorkee, during $11 - 13^{th}$ April, 2022.

Statistical

Proficient in STATA and RATS

Packages

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References

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