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Fields: Development Economics, Applied Micro-econometrics

AREAS: Education, Health, Poverty-Inequality, Economics of Education, and Impact studies.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Shiv Nadar University, UP, India.	April 2013 – present
Assistant Professor, Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI), Hyd.	Nov 2011- Oct 2012
Fellow, Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi.	Oct 2007- July 2011
Lead Economist, at Comat Technologies– Bangalore.	June 2005 – Aug 2007
Assistant Professor, Jain Group Institution, Bangalore.	April 2004 – May 2005
Consultant, Mega Ace Consultancy, Mumbai.	Jan 2004 – March 2004
Teaching Assistant, University of Missouri-Columbia, USA.	Jan 1999 – May 2002

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION

PhD in Economics, University of Missouri-Columbia, USA, 2002 (Advisor: Pham Hoang Van)

MA in Economics University of Missouri-Columbia, USA.

MA in Economics, University of Kalyani- India.

BSc in Economics, University of Calcutta – India.

ONGOING WORK

- Impact of Affirmative Action in Higher Education for Other Backward Classes India (with Rakesh Basant).
- Comparative studies of RTE of India and NCLB of USA (with Susan Wynn).
- Impact of RTE on quality of education (an ASER project).
- Skill mis-matches and intergenerational persistence.
- Evaluation of ICDS on short term morbidity and long term health, educational outcome (with Gaurav Dhamija).
- Early childhood shock and its relation to long term health outcome (with Gaurav Dhamija).
- Global recession and the burden of disease (with Nisha Koppa).

PUBLICATIONS

- Sen, Gitanjali and Sankar De. 2017. "How much does a bank account help the poor?" *Journal of Development Studies*. Forthcoming.
- Basant, Rakesh and **Gitanjali Sen***. 2014. "Access to Higher Education in India: an Exploration of its Antecedents." *Economic and Political Weekly*, December 20.
- Basant, Rakesh and **Gitanjali Sen***. 2014. "Parental Education as a Criterion for Affirmative Action in Higher Education," *World Development*, Elsevier publications, December.
- Basant, Rakesh and **Gitanjali Sen**. 2012. "Affirmative action in Higher Education: Insights from Recent Empirical Research," *ORF Issue Brief No. 49*, New Delhi.
- Rakesh Basant and **Gitanjali Sen**. 2013. "Who Participates in Higher Education in India? Rethinking the Role of Affirmative Action," *Higher Education: A Reader*, edited by Jandhyala B G Tilak, EPW and Orient BlackSwan, part of a UGC- funded project on social sciences, ISBN: 978-81-250-5131-2.
- Basant, Rakesh and **Gitanjali Sen**. 2010: "In Search of Fair Grades," *The Financial Express*, 11 Dec.
- Basant, Rakesh and **Gitanjali Sen**. 2010: "Who Participates in Higher Education in India? Rethinking the Role of Affirmative Action," *Economic and Political Weekly*, 45(39), Sep.
- **Sen, Gitanjali**. 2010. "Trade and FDI Related Reforms in the States," *Academic Foundation*, Delhi, May, ISBN: 9788171888252.
- **Sen, Gitanjali**, T. Gering, S Ramakrishnan. 2006. "ICR/OMR Technology – Bettering Lives." Published by *i4d- the monthly magazine for ICT4D*, December.
- **Dutta, Gitanjali**. 2002. "*The Luxury of Not Working: Considering the Effects of Poverty and Schooling Returns on Child Labor in Vietnam.*" Thesis: University of Missouri, Columbia, USA, Dec.

RESEARCH GRANTS

- Aug 2015: (PI) Proposal selected through an open call, for evaluation of learning outcome, by ASER, who provides the survey data.
- July 2015: (CO-PI) Pilot grant received of US\$5000 from Duke University USA for a project comparing schooling laws in India and USA, with collaborator Susan Wynn (Duke).
- Feb 2014: (Co-PI) Grant received from Shiv Nadar University, to study the relationship between access to finance and inequality.
- Nov 2013: (Co-PI) Grant of Rs 2.5 lakh received from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, India to study the Impact of Reservations.

- 2009: (Team member) Received 3 years' grant from ESRC-UK in a collaborative project between ORF, IIMA, University of Warwick, IRMA, University of Sao Paulo-Brazil – on Access to Higher education in India, UK and Brazil.

SELECTED CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS

- June, 2017, presented at Development Economics conference, University of Gottingen, Germany.
- June, 2017. Invited talk at Wuppertal University, Germany.
- March, 2017. Presented at KU Leuven, Belgium.
- Jan 2017, presented at Econ world, Rome.
- Dec 2016, presented at Development Economics conference, Jadavpur University, Kolkata.
- Feb 2016, presented at EconWorld2016, Barcelona, Spain.
- Dec 2015, at Development Economics conference in Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India.
- 17-19 Dec 2015, at 11th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, at Indian Statistical Institute- New Delhi, India.
- Jan 2015, one of the invited discussants at the Workshop on 'Gender violence and curriculum development," organized by the Harvard South Asia Initiative and Public Health Foundation in India, New Delhi.
- July 2014, National Council of Applied Economics and Research (NCAER), New Delhi.
- Feb 2014, invited attendee at a conference on 'Women in Higher Education,' at Colombo, Sri Lanka, Organized by the British Council, UK.
- Nov 24, 2011: CESI, University of Hyderabad.
- Dec 2011. Winter School, Delhi School of Economics.
- December, 2011: 21st Annual General Conference on Contemporary Issues in Development Economics, Department of Economics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata.
- July 28-29, 2011: Center for the Advanced Study of India, University of Pennsylvania and Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi.
- Jan 27-29, 2011: Global Conclave in Higher Education, at NUEPA, New Delhi.

THESIS/PROJECT ADVISOR

- Thesis advisor for PhD (Economics) student Gaurav Dhamija and Co-advisor for another PhD (Econ.) student at Shiv Nadar University (ongoing).
- UG thesis advisor: 4 students (ongoing 2017).

- UG Thesis advisor for student Vishakha Agarwal (completed BS-Economics-SNU, 2016, admitted in PhD public Policy at Univ. of Massachusetts, Boston for Fall 2016), working on impact of parental health on educational outcome.
- UG thesis advisor to Nisha Koppa (completed in 2017): Intergenerational poverty and inequality.
- Masters (Economics) thesis advisor for student Surabhi Singhal (completed in 2016, SNU: Admitted in PhD Econ program at SUNY-Stonybrook for Fall 2016), working on international mobility in higher education.

TEACHING

Graduate courses developed and taught:

- Development Economics II (Applied Research on Development Economics) - Spring 2017, 2016, 2015.
- Applied Econometrics – Monsoon 2017, 2016, 2015.

Undergraduate Courses developed and taught:

- Development Economics – Monsoon 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014.
- Intermediate Micro economics – Monsoon 2014
- Issues in higher education (elective) – Monsoon 2013 & Spring 2014.

Other Courses to MBA students (at JGI):

- Research Methodology
- Managerial Economics
- Business Statistics

OTHERS

- Member of Board of Studies in School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Shiv Nadar University.
- Member of committee for post graduate studies (including PhD program) at Department of Economics, Shiv Nadar University.
- Conducted Management Development Programs (MDP) for the Accounts Services officers of the Govt. of Rajasthan, India, while working at the ASCI, Hyderabad.
- Conducted MDP classes for officers in Indian Statistical Services and Indian Economic Services, at ASCI, Hyderabad.
- Experienced in training the field surveyors and managing the data collection initiatives for a state-wide household level survey designed for Randomized Control trial, while working at Comat Technologies, Bangalore-in collaboration with J-PAL, USA.

- Well experienced in using statistical programming packages, such as Stata, SAS, SPSS.
- Used large scale survey data for own research work and student advising. Used the National Sample Survey data, NFHS, IHDS, DHS, LSMS of World Bank data.
- Used government databases such as, the Basic Statistical Returns or the RBI, MoRD data on NREGA, DISE data on education.

REVIEWER

World Development, Journal of Developing Areas, Development and Change, Journal of Interdisciplinary Economics, Journal of Modeling in Management.

MEMBERSHIP

American Economic Association

European Economic Association

Royal Economic Society