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**Employment:**

Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) of Economics, University of Manchester, 2022- *present*

Lecturer (Assistant Professor) of Economics, University of Manchester, 2016- 2022 (with tenure since 2019)

Lecturer (Assistant Professor) of Economics, University of Essex, 2011- 2016

Postgraduate Teaching Assistant in Economics, University College London, 2007- 2011

**Other Appointments:**

Visiting Scholar, Institute of Economic Development, Boston University, *Fall 2015*

Visiting Scholar, Institute for Fiscal Studies, UK, *Fall 2022*

**Research Fields:**

Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics

**Education:**

PhD Economics, University College London, 2006-2012

M.A. Economics (*First Class Honours*), 2004-2006, CESP, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India

B.A. (Honours) Economics, 2001-2004, St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi, India

**Publications:**

The Human Capital Legacy of a Trade Embargo, **Journal of the European Economic Association**, 2021, 19(3): 1692-1733, *with Matthias Parey & Greg Wright*

The Price of Gold: Dowry and Death in India, **Journal of Development Economics**, 2020, 143, 102413, *with Sonia Bhalotra & Selim Gulesci*

Property Rights & Gender Bias: Evidence from Land Reform in West Bengal, **AEJ: Applied Economics**, 2019, 11(2): 205-37, *with Sonia Bhalotra, Dilip Mookherjee, & Francisco Pino*

Democracy and Demography: Societal Effects of Fertility Limits on Local Leaders, **Journal of Human Resources**, 2019, 54.1: 79-121, *with S. Anukriti*

Gender-Biased Breastfeeding in Egypt: Examining the Fertility Preference Hypotheses of Jayachandran and Kuziemko (2011), **Journal of Applied Econometrics**, 2015, 30: 848–855

Supply Shocks and Gender Bias in Child Health Investments: Evidence from the ICDS Programme in India, **The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy (Topics)**, 2010, 10(1)

**Working Papers and Research in Progress:**

Can Effective Policy Implementation Alter Political Selection? Evidence from Female Legislators in India (*submitted*), *with S. Anukriti & Rossella Calvi*

The Old-Age Care Motive for Son Preference: New Evidence from India, *with Sukanya Honkote & Aruni Mitra*

Male Emigration and Gender Discrimination in Remittance-Receiving Indian Households, *with Selim Gulesci, Lore Vandewalle, & Chinmay Tumbbe*

Women's Labour Force Participation and Marriage Market Outcomes, *with Anri Sakakibara, Abu Siddique, & Waqar Wadho*

### **Refereeing Activity:**

American Economic Review; Review of Economic Studies; The Economic Journal; Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Economic Behaviour and Organisation; World Bank Economic Review; Economic Development and Cultural Change; Journal of Behavioural and Experimental Economics; Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics; Demography; Journal of Demographic Economics; Journal of African Economies; Review of Economics of the Household; Review of Development Economics; Empirical Economics; World Development; International Journal of Health Economics and Management; Journal of Development Effectiveness; Feminist Economics; Indian Economic Review

### **Scholarships, Grants, & Awards:**

Manchester-Ashoka University Seed Corn Fund 2024 (£5,000)  
with Kanika Mahajan, Aruni Mitra, & Anisha Sharma

UCL Economics Best Teaching Assistant Runner-up (2009-10); UCL Economics Teaching Assistant Award (2007-08, 2008-09)

UCL Alumni Scholarship (2007-08)

### **Invited Conferences and Presentations:**

- 2024 Univ. of Manchester; Univ. of Reading
- 2023 Institute of Fiscal Studies (UK); Univ. of Manchester
- 2022 KREA Univ.; ISI Delhi
- 2021 Graduate Institute (Geneva); University of York (UK)
- 2020 IIM-Bangalore; ISB Hyderabad; IIM-Ahmedabad
- 2019 Ashoka Univ.; Political Economy Workshop (ISI Delhi)
- 2018 Univ. of Manchester; UC Merced; India-China Conference (Paris School of Economics); Political Economy Workshop (Global Development Institute, Manchester Univ.); Lancaster Univ.
- 2017 IIM-Bangalore; ISB Hyderabad; Global Development Institute (Manchester Univ.); Child Development Workshop (Aarhus Univ.); SITES conference (U. Rome Tor Vergata); NEUDC (Tufts Univ.); ACEDG Conference (ISI Delhi)
- 2016 Applied Micro Workshop (Southern Denmark Univ.); UNU-WIDER Conference on Human Capital and Growth (UNU Helsinki); COSME Workshop (Univ. Carlos III); Oxford Trade and Health Workshop (Univ. of Oxford); European Society for Population Economics Conference 2016 (DIW Berlin); SSDEV 2016 (Univ. of Verona)
- 2015 Royal Economic Society Conference (Manchester Univ.); Spring Meeting of Young Economists (Ghent Univ.); European Society for Population Economics Conference 2015 (Izmir Univ.); International Association for Applied Econometrics Conference 2015 (Univ. of Macedonia); Boston University; Navarra Centre for International Development
- 2014 MISOC Workshop (Univ. of Essex); Annual Dev. Econ. Workshop (Manchester Univ.); Shiv Nadar Univ. (Delhi); ISI Delhi; ISB Hyderabad; South Asia Univ. (Delhi); NEUDC (Boston Univ.); UC Merced; ACEDG Conference (ISI Delhi); IGC Conference (ISI Kolkata)
- 2013 CMPO Political Economy Workshop (Univ. of Bristol); SSDEV 2013 (Univ. of Verona); NEUDC (Harvard Univ.); ACEDG Conference (ISI Delhi)

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