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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of Birth: July 4, 1991

Gender: Female

Nationality: Indian

Languages: English (Fluent), Hindi (Native)

DOCTORAL STUDIES

Centre for International Trade and Development, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University

Thesis Title: Two Essays in the theory of International Trade: Regional Trade Agreements and Foreign Direct Investment (*Awarded in 2023*)

PRIOR EDUCATION

M.Phil. in International Trade and Development, CITD/SIS, JNU; 87.50%, 2017 (Highest Score)

Dissertation Title: Trade, Foreign Direct Investment and Wage Inequality: A Theoretical Study

M.A. Economics (Specialisation: World Economy), CITD/SIS, JNU; 81.90%, 2014 (Highest Score)

B.A. (Hons.) Economics, Hans Raj College, University of Delhi; 79.60%, 2012 (Highest Score)

RELEVANT POSITIONS

- 2021 - Present Assistant Professor, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), New Delhi, IN
- 2021 - 2022 Research Assistant, Centre for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics, DU
- 2020 - 2021 Assistant Professor (Ad hoc), Sri Venkateswara College, University of Delhi, Delhi, IN
- 2019 - 2021 Guest Faculty, IIFT, New Delhi, IN
- 2018 - 2020 Research Associate, IIFT, New Delhi, IN
- 2017 - 2019 (Short-Term) Consultant, World Bank, New Delhi, IN
- 2015 - 2018 Remedial Tutor for International Trade Theory, CITD/SIS, JNU
- 2017 - 2018 Remedial Tutor for Micro-Economic Theory-I, CITD/SIS, JNU
- Assistant Professor (Ad hoc), Shri Ram College Of Commerce, University of Delhi, Delhi, IN
- 2016 - 2017 Visiting Faculty, Indian School of Business and Finance, New Delhi-IN
- 2014 - 2016 Research Assistant, Centre for WTO Studies, IIFT, New Delhi, IN (RA to Prof. Manoj Pant)
- 2016 Guest Faculty, Vivekananda College, University of Delhi, Delhi, IN
- 2015 Teaching Assistant, Prof. Manoj Pant, CITD/SIS, JNU
- Teaching Assistant, Prof. Ashok Guha, CITD/SIS, JNU
- Data Analyst for Dr. Rashmi Rekha Barua, CITD/SIS, JNU
- 2014 Remedial Tutor for Micro Economic Theory-I, CITD/SIS, JNU
- Intern, Directorate General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, IN

HONORS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2023	First Best Paper Award, IIFT Economics Conclave 2023
2022	First Best Paper Award, 5th Annual Economics Conference, SAMSOE (NMIMS) & The Econometric Society of India, Mumbai; Third Best Paper Award, Research Symposium on Finance and Economics, KREA University
2021	Third Best Paper Award, D.R. Gadgil Memorial Presentation, MANAN 2021, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune; First Best Paper Award E-Convention 2021, Flame University, Pune
2015	UGC Net Certification (No. 152003829)
2012 - 2014	Ford Foundation Scholarship for securing highest marks in MA Economics (Three Consecutive Semesters – I, II and III)
2011	Shrimati Indra Kapoor Prize for academic excellence
2007	0.1 certification, Central Board of Secondary Education, India

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

2023	6 th SANEM Annual Economists' Conference (SAEC 2023) (<i>Presenter</i>)
2022	Australian Conference of Economists 2022, Hobart, Australia; Structural Transformation and Economic Growth (STEG) Theme Workshop 2022, London-UK (<i>Presenter</i>); Trade, Unequal Gains, and Development Workshop organised by the Delhi School Of Economics, Institute of Developing Economies (Chiba), and Tokyo University (<i>Presenter</i>); 10 th South Aisa Economic Policy Network Conference on Migration in South Asia, Kathmandu; 4 th Rajagiri Conference on Economics and Finance, Kerela; 8 th IIFT Conference on Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance, IIFT, New Delhi; 5 th Annual Economics Conference, SAMSOE (NMIMS) & The Econometric Society of India, Mumbai; International Conference on Neoteric Tendencies in World Economy, Education and Employment, Vivekananda School of Economics, VIPS, New Delhi (<i>Session Chair</i>); Symposium on "Trade policy in India: Trends, Strategies and Prospects" (<i>Resource Person</i>), Sri Venkateswara College, University of Delhi; Geography and the Digital: Intersections and Conflations, Department of Geography, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi 2022; Research Symposium on Finance and Economics, KREA University (<i>Presenter</i>), SANEM Workshop 2021-22
2021	Research Colloquium (<i>Resource Person</i>), Sri Venkateswara College, University of Delhi; D.R. Gadgil Memorial Presentation, MANAN 2021, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune; E-Convention 2021, Flame University, Pune; 6 th International Conference on Drivers of Global Economic Recovery, Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management Studies, Delhi; 2nd Annual Economic Summit, St. Xavier's University, Kolkata; 3rd Rajagiri Conference on Economics and Finance (RCEF, in association with TIES & Waikato Management School, NZL), Kerela; 7 th IIFT Conference on Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance, IIFT, Kolkata; Economic Reforms and Development Workshop (ERD-2, <i>Resource Person</i>), Institute of Secretariat Training & Management, New Delhi; SANEM Workshop 2021-22
2020	UNCTAD-YSI Summer School 2020; 1 st National Conference on Application of Mathematical Tools in Social Sciences and Sciences (Online), Zakir Hussain Delhi College, University of Delhi; YSI Plenary 2020

- 2019 World Bank-Ministry of Commerce and Industry, GOI's Workshop on 'Trade Facilitation in Services – Concepts and Empirical Analysis'; Globalism Vs. Nationalism: The US-China Trade War & India
- 2018 54th Annual Conference, The Econometric Society of India (TIES 2018), Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra, Jammu; 6th IIFT Conference on Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance, IIFT, New Delhi (*Discussant*)
- 2017 Trade and Development Workshop, Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics; Second International Conference on Issues in Economic Theory and Policy, Presidency University, Kolkata; DAAD-CEDS Delhi Workshop 2017, SIS-II, JNU
- 2016 Graduate Research Meet 2016, IIT Guwahati; Winter School 2016, Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics
- 2015 Finance and Economics Conference 2015, International Management Institute (Kolkata); Centre for International Trade and Development (JNU)
- 2014 Frontier Areas in Econometrics and International Trade and Finance, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS AND BOOK CHAPTER

“Cost-reducing technologies and labour supply in a Krugman-type model where consumption is time-constrained: Some New Results” – Published in *The BE Journal of Theoretical Economics*, 2023 (with Prof. Manoj Pant) [Featured in Media]

“Quantification of Services Trade Restrictions – Some New Results” – Published in *Economic and Political Weekly* 57, Issue:10, 2022 (with Prof. Manoj Pant)

“Unskilled Immigration, Technical Progress, and Wages – Role of the Household Sector” – Published in *Review of International Economics*, Issue: 2020 (with Prof. Sugata Marjit, Prof. Manoj Pant)

“Foreign Direct Investment, Welfare and Wage Inequality in a small open economy: Theory and Empirics” – Published in *Indian Economic Review*, Issue: 2018 (with Prof. Manoj Pant)

“Dynamics of Food Inflation: Assessing the role of intermediaries” – Published in *Global Business Review* 19.5, Issue: 2018 (with Kanika Pathania)

Book Chapters

“Foreign Direct Investment, Trade and the Union Budget: Understanding the Issues” – Chapter in D. C. Katoch's Edited '*India Foundation Journal*', Issue: March-April 2023 (with Prof. Manoj Pant)

“Trade, Investment, and the Multilateral Trading System” – Chapter in R. Kathuria and P. Kukreja's Edited Book '*20 Years of G20*', Issue: 2019 (with Prof. Manoj Pant)

MEDIA ARTICLES

[Op-ed] **“Technological Developments in the 21st Century - Why India Matters”** – Accepted for Publication in *The Times of India* (with Prof. Manoj Pant)

[Op-ed] **“India’s emergence is vital for the global economy to keep growing”** – Published in Mint, February 9, 2023 (with Prof. Manoj Pant)

[Op-ed] **“Can Digitization be a Potential Driver for Improving MSMEs’ Export Performance”** – Published in Indian Retailer, November 24, 2022 (with Neha Jain and Kriti Sharma)

[Op-ed] **“Can e-commerce and MSMEs coexist? It’s complicated”** – Published in Mint, November 18, 2022 (with Prof. Manoj Pant and Kanika Pathania)

WORKING PAPERS/ OTHER RESEARCH ASSIGNMENTS AND REPORTS

“Investment Provisions, and the Welfare Effects of a Free Trade Agreement – A Theoretical Assessment” – *Work In Progress* (with Prof. Manoj Pant)

“Unequal Gains from Free Trade Agreements and The Role of Commodity Baskets - A Theoretical Analysis” – *Work In Progress* (with Prof. Manoj Pant)

“Ease of Doing Business and the Performance of Indian Firms - A Firm-Level study across Industries and States” – *Ongoing Research Project with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs* (with Neha Jain and Geeta Tiwari)

“Fostering Participation in International Trade through Digitalization: A Case of India’s Unorganized Sector MSMEs” – SSRN Working Paper, 2022 (with Neha Jain, Kriti Sharma)

“E-Commerce Majors, SSI retailers, and the Indian Economy – Theory and Empirics” – Report submitted to *IIFT*, New Delhi (with Prof. Manoj Pant, Kanika Pathania, Nibha Bharti, Ashley Jose), 2022 [Featured in the Media, Economic Survey 2023]

“Digitalization of Indian MSMEs – Impact, Challenges, and Opportunities” – Report submitted to *PayPal Incorporated* (with Prof. Manoj Pant, Neha Jain, Ashley Jose, Kriti Sharma), 2022 [Featured in Media]

“E-Commerce Majors, and the Indian Retail and Manufacturing Industry” – SSRN Working Paper, 2022 (with Ashley Jose, Nibha Bharti, and Kanika Pathania)

“Digitalization and Exports: A case of Indian Manufacturing MSMEs” – SSRN Working Paper, 2022 (with Kriti Sharma, Neha Jain, Ashley Bose)

“Covid-19 & Female (Un)Employment: The Indian Story” – Article in *‘Econ Expressions ’21’*, Annual Economics Magazine, Sri Venkateswara College, University of Delhi, 2021 (with Stuti Bawa, Dhruv Gupta)

“Mis(s)information and the Contemporary World” – Chapter in *‘Contemporary Issues of the Modern World’*, *Economika*, Issue: February 2021 (with Stuti Bawa)

Assisted Dr. Anirudh Shingal (The World Bank, New Delhi-IN) in performing quantitative analysis for his work on Central Asian Countries’ Services Trade Performance, 2020

“Quantification of Services Trade Restrictions – Some New Evidence” – Report submitted to the *Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry*, Government of India, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi-IN (with Prof. Manoj Pant, Srinka Bose, Stuti Bawa), 2020

“Pakistan Services Trade Performance: A Competitiveness Assessment” – World Bank Report (with Sebastian Saez, Erik Van der Marel), 2019

“India Services Competitiveness Performance: An assessment” – World Bank Report (with Sebastian Saez, Ruchita Manghnani, Erik Van der Marel), 2019

“Foreign Direct Investment and Trade: An Analysis of the relationship” – Report submitted to the *Ministry of Commerce and Industry*, Government of India, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi-IN (with Prof. Manoj Pant, Prof. Sheeba Kapil and Dr. Sanghita Mondal), 2018

“Jordan: Services Trade Performance and Competitiveness Diagnostics” – World Bank Report (with Sebastian Saez, Ruchita Manghnani, Erik Van der Marel), 2018

“Bihar Competitiveness Diagnostics” – World Bank (with Ruchita Manghnani), 2017

Assisted Ruchita Manghnani (Economist, The World Bank, India Country Office) in performing quantitative analysis for India’ Flagship Report (High Growth Firms) and Madhya Pradesh – Trade and Competitiveness Brief, 2017

“Services Performance and the Chinese Economy” – World Bank Report (with Sebastian Saez, Ruchita Manghnani, Erik Van der Marel), 2017

Assisted Prof. Ashok Guha (Emeritus Professor, CITD/SIS, JNU) in performing quantitative analysis for his book – “Economics without tears: A new approach to an old discipline”, 2016

“Foreign Investment and Investment Regimes – Country experiences: China” – Report submitted to the *Centre for WTO Studies*, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi, IN (with Prof. Manoj Pant), 2016

“Assessing the impact of exports under EPCG scheme on India’s exports and its capital goods sector – An Empirical Study” – Report submitted to the *Centre for WTO Studies*, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi, IN (with Prof. Manoj Pant and Kanika Pathania), 2015

“India’s Free Trade Agreements: A Quantitative Study” – Report submitted to the *Centre for WTO Studies*, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi, IN (with Prof. Manoj Pant, Kanika Pathania and Bishal Karki), 2015

OTHER ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

Member, Association for Environment and Development Research [AEDR]

Member, Royal Economics Society