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Researching pressing developmental economic issues, teaching and understanding the nuances of the interdisciplinary nature of economics, learning analytical software and helping policy decision-making are my core interests.

Work Experience

Fellow B at the Mumbai School of Economics and Public Policy (Autonomous), University of Mumbai (Inducted on 3rd February 2024)

Pursuing PhD (From January 2023 – Present)

On the topic proposed 'Undernutrition among Children Across Districts in Gujarat State: A Geo-Spatial Analysis' from Mumbai School of Economics and Public Policy, University of Mumbai under the guidance of Dr. Manisha Karne (Professor)

Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar International Research Centre, University of Mumbai (From February – December 2023)

Assistant Professor (Visiting)

Content Head at White Sage Media LLP (2019 to 2022)

Assistant Professor (Visiting) at St. Xavier's College (2018 and 2016)

- Taught Micro Economics and Growth and Development; (2018)
- Taught Intro to Political Economy, Macro Economics, Indian Financial Markets, Growth and Development (2016) to FY, SY and TYBA students

The entire teaching process was focused on developing curiosity, understanding through intuition and explanation was replaced with cross-exchanges through the Socratic means of dialogue, debate and discussion.

Assistant Professor (Visiting) SNTD University (2017)

- Taught Micro-Economics and Growth and Development to MA students
- Delivered engaging lectures with an emphasis on understanding the practical implementation of theoretical concepts and critical evaluation of the theories

Assistant Professor at Sophia College for Women (2017)

- Taught Economics to BMM students
- Introduced the students to the relevancy of the subject and a bird's eye view of important theoretical concepts of micro-economics

Research Assistant at Department of Economics, St. Xavier's College (2016)

Research Assistant to Dr. Aditi Sawant, Head of Department of Economics for her UGC Major Research Project on 'India's cotton competitiveness in the international market under the WTO Regime'

- Assisted in data collection and analysis
- Researched on important themes in the research related to India and other cotton producing countries in the international market
- Assisted a team of 7 student researchers who were interning for this project

- Ensuring perfection and timely submission, record-keeping of administrative work in relation to this project

Papers published, presented and Workshops attended:

- Attended a seminar on ‘Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar’s Contribution to India’s Constitution & Indian Economy’ on 1st May 2024 at National Stock Exchange, Mumbai
- Presented at the **8th Interdisciplinary PhD Colloquium (Hybrid) organized by IQAC and Dept of German, University of Mumbai and ICSSR WRC Mumbai** on 16th December 2023.
- Attended a workshop on ‘**GIS and Remote Sensing with a focus on processing of nightlight data**’ at Pillai College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai on 19th March 2023
- Paper presentation on ‘**Political Leadership and Ethics: The Case of Gandhiji and Raychandbhai**’ at Institute of Indian Culture, Andheri for a National Seminar on Challenges to Democracy on 1st and 2nd April, 2017
- ‘**Urban Governance in British Bombay**’ in ‘The Urban World,’ published in a Quarterly Publication of Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies of All India Institute of Local Self Government. Mumbai (ISSN: 2349-0241)
- Won 1st prize at the **Indian Institute for Human Settlement (IIHS), Bangalore** at Transform Urban India’s **Academic Conclave for a joint paper presentation** entitled as ‘**Negotiations and Contestations in Urban India: The Case of Water Delivery to Slums in Mumbai**’.

Education and Academic Accomplishments:

- Topped Courses on **Introduction to Econometrics (Gold Medal)** and **Applied Econometrics (Silver Medal)** from **IIT Madras** (Online Courses on Swayam portal)
- **NET JRF (2015)**
- **MA Economics (2013)** from Mumbai School of Economics and Public Policy, University of Mumbai
- **BA Economics (2011)** from St. Xavier’s College, Mumbai (**2nd Merit Holder in Maharashtra**)
- **Dewan Saigal Scholarship (2011)** for the **Best Honours Student award**

Skills:

- Strong teaching and presentation skills
- Software: MS OFFICE, STATA
- Strong team building and communication skills
- Using innovative and student-friendly ways to explain economic concepts

Interests:

- Researching on developmental issues and helping underprivileged communities in areas of health, education and rural development

References:

1. Dr. Manisha Karne (Director, Mumbai School of Economics and Public Policy)
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2. Dr. Vibhuti Patel (Erstwhile Head of the Economics Department, SNDT University)
Email: vibhuti.np@gmail.com Contact Number: 09321040048
3. Dr. Agnelo Menezes (Former Principal, St. Xavier's College, Mumbai)
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