

ARUSHI GUPTA

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EDUCATION

Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi 2016-2018

Master of Arts in Economics (Top 5 among a batch of 250)

Miranda House, University of Delhi 2013-2016

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Economics, Distinction with rank 2

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Department of Economic Affairs

Ministry of Finance, Government of India

Assistant Director, Fund Bank and ADB Division (IMF Section) September 2022 –

- Analysis of IMF Flagship Reports, Staff papers, and Executive Board documents, in consultation with relevant GoI departments and RBI.
- Matters related to IMF Article IV Consultations and mid-year IMF Staff visits to India (Organization of meetings and authorities' assessment of Staff findings).
- Matters related to IMF/WB Annual and Spring Meetings and IMFC Deputies Meetings.
- Part of DEA Delegation for IFA Working Group and FMCBG/FCBD meetings during India's G-20 Presidency.
- Preparation of briefs and talking points for GoI officials for meetings with senior officials of IMF.
- Inputs for IMF-related matters for G-20, BRICS, G-7, G-24, and other international negotiations/groups.
- Liaisoning with the Office of Executive Director (India), IMF and matters related to appointments therein.
- Matters related to appointments, trainings, and technical assistance programmes for Centre/State governments organised by IMF-SARTTAC.
- Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) for all FB&ADB Division related RTI matters.
- Budgetary management and matters related to financial transactions of IMF in coordination with RBI, Budget and IF Division, with timely redressal of any audit queries therein.
- Matters related to Section management, timely submission of Monthly Report of the Section, and maintenance of Section files.

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Department of Economic and Policy Research Reserve Bank of India

Manager (Grade B), Department of State Finance

January 2021 – November 2021

- Involved in the preparation of RBI's annual publication, "State Finances: A Study of Budgets 2021-22".
- Undertook analysis of the Union Budget 2021-22 and Economic Survey 2020-21 for preparation of note for RBI Governor.
- Assessed other matters pertaining to state fiscal policies (tax and non-tax revenue, and expenditure) for preparation of internal briefs.

Department of Economics

Miranda House, University of Delhi

Assistant Professor (Ad Hoc)

September 2019 – April 2020

- Took lectures on Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory and Intermediate Microeconomic Theory for Second Year students pursuing Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Economics.
- Undertook periodic internal assessments through setting and grading of term papers, assignments, and class tests.
- Involved in organization and logistics for the Annual Economics Festival hosted by the Economics Department of the college.

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS AND INTERNSHIPS

Centre for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics

Research Assistant

January-March 2017; August-December 2019

- Assisted in an extensive literature review and analysis of empirical papers on climate change published by Environment for Development over 2008-18.
- Assisted in the creation of state-wise, all-India data set for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes of India over 1931-71, based on their area of delimitation as per Government of India Official Orders.
- Mapped district boundary changes for the Indian states from 1872-1971 to check for plausible patterns between Caste and Tribe categorisation changes and geographical delimitation changes.

State Plans (North East) Division, NITI Aayog, Government of India

Research Intern

May-July 2015

- Report titled "Central Assistance to North Eastern States: A Comparative Analysis

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(In Light of the Fourteenth Finance Commission Recommendations)” was assessed as Excellent by Shri B.K. Pandey, Advisor, NITI Aayog and Smt. S. Mukherjee, Director, NITI Aayog.

- Assisted in the formulation of official report on “Local Government Bodies in North-Eastern States of India”.

Delhi University Innovation Project

Undergraduate Student Researcher

2014-15

Co-authored a report titled “Gendered Socialisation: A Comparative Perspective of Patrilineal and Matrilineal Societies”. The study involved a survey-based, comparative analysis of perceptions of gender between males and females from North and North-East India.

Pratham, New Delhi

Summer Intern

May-July 2014

- Taught English, Hindi and Mathematics to academically weak primary school students enrolled in government (Municipal Corporation of Delhi) schools
- Undertook periodic field visits to the community (Azadpur Village) for creating a community profile, undertaking parent-teacher interaction, and for preparation of the internship report.
- Conducted surveys for assessing the reading level of students for the ASER Report as part of the survey team.

ACHIEVEMENTS, AWARDS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Recipient of the **Junior Research Fellowship, University Grants Commission** for securing 95th percentile in the National Eligibility Test, 2018.
- **Prof. Suresh D. Tendulkar Memorial Award (2017)** for academic excellence during MA Economics at Delhi School of Economics.
- One of 16 scholars across India awarded with the **Narotam Sekhsaria Scholarship (2016)** for pursuing M.Sc. in Economics at London School of Economics and Political Science.
- **Sumana Dutta Memorial Award (2016)** for Best Student of B.A. (Hons.) Economics for displaying good human values, maintaining an excellent academic record with well-developed co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.
- **Budding Economist of South Asia (2016)** at the 12th South Asian Economics Students’ Meet in Colombo, Sri Lanka – a World Bank supported conference.

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- **Certificate of Merit (2013)** awarded by the **Central Board of Secondary Education** for reasons of Outstanding performance and being among the top 0.1 per cent of successful candidates of AISSCE 2013 in Economics and Chemistry.
- **Principal Special Award (2013)** for being a scholar for seven consecutive years (2006-13) and for securing the highest aggregate percentage in Economics, Mathematics, and Chemistry in AISSCE 2013.
- Second position in **Annual Economics Research Paper Presentation Competition (2015)** at Jai Hind College, Mumbai.
- All-India rank 38 in the first **National Creativity Olympiad (2011)** organised by Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, and Bronze medal for securing Olympiad rank 16 in **International Master Mathematics Olympiad (2010)**.

PUBLICATIONS

- **An Analysis of Growth in South Asia in the Asian Century.** (Essay). *World Bank Conference Journal, South Asian Economics Students' Meet.* (2016)
- **Central Assistance to North Eastern States: A Comparative Analysis (in Light of the Fourteenth Finance Commission Recommendations).** (Report). *Munich Public RePEc Archive of the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (LMU).* MPRA paper No. 67368. (2015)
- **The Direct Cash Transfer vs Subsidies Debate.** (Article). *Aapoorti, the annual Economics Journal of Miranda House, University of Delhi.* (2015)

SELECT ACADEMIC PAPERS AND COURSES

- **Macroeconomics of Climate Change (24 April – 4 May 2023)**, IMF South Asia Regional Training and Technical Assistance Center, New Delhi, India.
- **Seminar Paper on Forecasting the Daily Exchange Rate of INR against Major Currencies (2022).** Forecast of the 10-day ahead nominal exchange rate of Indian Rupee against four major currencies (US Dollar, Euro, British Pound, Japanese Yen) using time series modelling (ARIMA and naïve) by applying the Hyndman Khandekar algorithm in R.
- **Financial Mathematics (May-June 2015)**, University of Chicago Delhi Center. One of 15 students selected from Delhi University.
- **Game Theory (2015)**, Stanford University and the University of British Columbia (Coursera). Obtained 100 per cent aggregate score and statement of accomplishment.

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- **Research paper on Corporate Social Responsibility (2015)**, Department of Economics, Miranda House.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE AND OTHER POSITIONS

- **Editor**, Eostre (Economics Journal), Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics.
- **Head**, Vishleshan (Discussion Group Society), Department of Economics, Miranda House.
- **Core Committee Member**, Research Cell, Department of Economics, Miranda House.
- **Reporter (International Press) and Conference Support**, Zenith Model United Nations, Miranda House, University of Delhi.
- **Volunteer**, Disaster and Humanitarian Relief, GOONJ, New Delhi.

LANGUAGES

English (Fluent), **Hindi** (Native/Fluent), **Sanskrit** (Fluent in reading and writing).