

Dr. Monika

Indian Economic Service Officer, 2020 Batch

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Deputy Director, Economic Division, DEA | Ministry of Finance, Government of India | Jan 2026 – Present

- Economic Survey FY26; macroeconomic analysis & policy documentation
- Routine contributor to Monthly Economic Review (MER) released by the Department; fiscal, and growth analysis
- Weekly monitoring report writing; real-time economic indicators & trends

Deputy Director, DPIIT|Government of India |Sep 2024 – Present

- IITA Division; FTA investment chapters (EU, NZ, Chile);
- IC–America Division; FTM, CEO forum & policy documents.

Assistant Director, NITI Aayog| Jul 2021 – Sep 2024

- Vision India @2047; economic research & analysis;
- MSME policy; high-level presentations & briefs.

IES Probationer| Institute of Economic Growth |Aug 2020 – June 2021

- Training in economics, econometrics, public finance;
- Research assignments.

Guest Faculty| Sri Aurobindo College, University of Delhi |Oct 2019 – Jan 2020

- Taught undergraduate economics courses; lectures & tutorials

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics| Centre for International Trade and Development, JNU |2021-2025

- Doctoral Thesis: The Role of Equality of Opportunity in the Innovation Ecosystem: Cross-Country Econometric Evidence — Empirical analysis examining how equality of opportunity influences national innovation outcomes across countries.

M.Phil Economics| Centre for International Trade and Development, JNU |2018–2021

- Dissertation on Equality of Opportunity & Innovation| University Rank 1

M.A. Economics| Centre for International Trade and Development, JNU |2016–2018

- CGPA 7.5/9| University Rank 1

B.A. (Hons.) Economics, Kamala Nehru College |2013–2016

- 84.6% | President, Hindi Debating Society & Poetry Club

Class XII (Commerce) | CBSE | 2012–2013

- 95%

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- [Unlocking Economic Growth Through Urbanization: Policy Perspectives and Strategies](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan.
Journal of Economics and Management Research Studies, September 2025.
- [Boosting Innovation in India: A Policy Framework](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan. Journal of Economics, Trade and Marketing Management (JETMM), March 2025.
- [Artificial Intelligence and Its Impact on Developing Countries](#)
Azerbaijan Journal of Social Sciences (AJSES), Research Article, 2023.
- [Missing Women in the Labour Force: Detrimental to India's Growth](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Charan Singh. Productivity,
Journal of the National Productivity Council, March 2023.

ARTICLES IN POPULAR PRESS

- [Climate Finance: A Perfect Storm of Challenges for India](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan. Policy Circle, Opinion Column, August 2024
- [Digital Public Infrastructure: A Remarkable Journey](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan. The Hindu Business Line, Opinion, May 2024
- [Innovation is the Key](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Pravakar Sahoo. The Hindu Business Line, Opinion, October 2023
- [Prioritizing Mental Health: A Blueprint for Effective Government Interventions](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan. The Financial Express, Healthcare Column, May 2023
- [From Struggling to Thriving: How Credit Guarantees Can Bridge the MSME Credit Gap](#)
Co-authored with Rajib Sen. The Economic Times, MSME Section, February 2023
- [Government Needs to Complement Intent with Concrete Roadmap to Boost Tourism](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan. Business Standard, Economy & Policy Column, February 2023.
- [Skilling of Women, Quotas Can Boost Female Labour Force Participation](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Charan Singh. Policy Circle, Society & Policy Column, January 2023
- [Subsuming Electricity into GST](#)
Co-authored with Dr. Badri Narayanan Gopalakrishnan. Business Standard, Economy & Policy Column, January 2023

PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

Global Conclave, Institute of Human Development (IHD) | January 2024

- Presented paper: "Equality of Opportunity as a Driver of Innovation."

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS & CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributed to the preparation of the [Viksit Gujarat Vision@2047 document](#)

- Authored two chapters: Nari Shakti: Women-led Development and City Agglomerations: Vibrant Socio-economic Epicenters.

Contributed in NITI Aayog economic bulletin on India's macro-economic outlook [arthNITI](#)

- Conducted data extraction, analysis, and presentation of key macroeconomic indicators; authored reports based on findings.

Commendation letter for excellence in professional conduct from:

- Sh B.V.R Subrahmanyam, CEO, NITI Aayog, Government of India for exceptional performance as a liaison officer for the ABP beneficiaries who traveled from the remotest corners of India to be part of the Independence Day ceremony.

Contributed to the paper on Deepening Corporate bond market released by NITI Aayog

Academic Distinctions

- Qualified for Assistant Professor and Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) under UGC-CBSE NET.
- Secured Rank 1 in both M.A. and M.Phil Entrance Examinations, Centre for International Trade and Development (CITD), JNU.

CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & ACHIEVEMENTS

Performed self-composed Hindi poems and emceed high-level events organised by NITI Aayog and the Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP).