

## CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)

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#### A short bio:

An alumnus of Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandira, Belur Math, University of Calcutta and Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata. Former Visiting Chair Professor at the CCIS, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka. Taught at University of Calcutta, Rabindra Bharati University and S R L Mahavidyalaya (University of Kalyani) before joining Visva-Bharati. Former Chair Professor of the A.K. Dasgupta Centre for Planning and Development, Niti Aayog and Professor in Economics, Department of Economics & Politics.



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## Teaching & Research Experience

- Professor at the Department of Economics & Politics, Visva-Bharati, since June 2011.
- Chair Professor of the A.K. Dasgupta Centre for Planning and Development, Niti Aayog during May-August, 2025.
- Visiting **ICCR-MEA Chair Professor for Indian Studies** at the Centre for Contemporary Indian Studies, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka during April-July, 2012.
- Associate Professor at Visva-Bharati during June, 2007 to June 2011.
- Associate Professor at S. R. Lahiri Mahavidyalaya (University of Kalyani) during September 9-9-2006-June, 2007.
- Reader in Economics at S. R. Lahiri Mahavidyalaya (University of Kalyani) during September 18-03-2005 to 08-09-2006.
- Lecturer in Economics at S. R. Lahiri Mahavidyalaya (University of Kalyani) during 9-9-1992 to 17-03-2005
- Taught at University of Calcutta under the Faculty Council of P.G.Studies in Arts and Business Studies (as Guest Faculty) since the session of 2005-06 to 2011-12.
- Taught at Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, (as Guest Faculty) during September, 2004 to September 2006.
- Principal Investigator of UGC Major Research Project on ‘Stagnation of the Agrarian Economy: An Enquiry into Its Nature and Causes in Five Central Districts of West Bengal’ (2012-2014)
- Principal Investigator of UGC SAP (DRS-1) funded project ‘Rural Non-Farm Employment: Characteristics and Determinants’ (Co-investigator: Dr. Saumya Chakrabarty) completed in 2011.
- Principal Investigator, UGC Minor Research Project on ‘Sustainability of the Small Farm Economy: The Case of Rural West Bengal’, completed in 2008.
- Principal Investigator, UGC Minor Research Project on ‘Distributive Impact of Agricultural Growth in Rural West Bengal', completed in 2005.

## Academic / Administrative responsibility:

1. **Member, Visva-Bharati Research Board** for the period 24th October, 2024 to 23 October, 2027.
2. **Chairperson, Advisory Committee**, A K Dasgupta Centre for Planning and Development, Visva-Bharati (NITI Aayog).

3. **Programme Coordinator** of the Departmental Research Scheme (UGC-SAP-DRS-II Programme (2015-2020)
4. **Member, Advisory Committee** of the Departmental Research Scheme (UGC-SAP-DRS-I Programme (2009-2014)
5. **Member**, Industry Relations Cell, Visva-Bharati.
6. **Member, Tribal Development Consortium** (Committee for the Improvement and Development of the livelihood of Tribal Community in an around the University Campus)
7. **Conference Director** of the International Conference on Globalisation & Sustainable Development organised at the Department of Economics & Politics, Visva-Bharati during 20-21 January 2025.
8. Programme Coordinator, **Ashok Rudra Memorial Lecture**, Department of Economics & Politics, Visva-Bharati.
9. External Member of the Board of Post Graduate Studies in Economics, University of Burdwan from 2022-23.
10. Head of the Department, Department of Economics & Politics, Visva-Bharati during 2016-2019.
11. Chief Organiser, **International Conference on “Development Policy Research”** at the Department of Economics & Politics, Visva-Bharati in 2020.
12. Chairperson, Board of UG and PG Studies in Economics & Politics, Visva-Bharati University (2016-19)
13. External Member of the Board of Studies in Economics of the Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandira, Belurmath (An Autonomous Institute with potential for Excellence as declared by the UGC) during 2011-13
14. Organising Secretary for the National Conference on ‘Prospects and Challenges for Rural Economic Development’ held at Visva-Bharati in 2011
15. **Chief Organiser** for National level Conference on ‘**Development and Governance**’ sponsored by the **Eastern Regional Centre, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) in 2011.**
16. **Coordinator of the Steering Committee for Extension Programme**, Department of Economics and Politics, Visva-Bharati, during 2010-11
17. Organised as Secretary of the Organising Committee the National Conference on ‘Contemporary Issues in Agriculture, Environment and Rural Development’, at the Department of Economics and Politics, Visva-Bharati in 2008.
18. Member, **Governing Body** of S R Lahiri Mahavidyalaya, Majdia (university of Kalyani) during 2006-07.

19. **Coordinator of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)** of S R Lahiri Mahavidyalaya (University of Kalyani) during 2004-07.
20. **Coordinator, NAAC Steering Committee** of S R Lahiri Mahavidyalaya (University of Kalyani) during 2006-07 and successfully coordinated the first NAAC visit to the Institution in 2007.
21. Organising Secretary of the UGC-sponsored National Conference on ‘Sustainable Development and Role of government’ during 3-4 August, 2006 at S R Lahiri Mahavidyalaya, Majdia (University of Kalyani).
22. Member, **Board of Undergraduate Studies** in Economics, University of Kalyani, during 2005-2008
23. Member, **Board of Undergraduate Studies** in Economics, University of Kalyani, during 2002-2005
24. Member, Editorial Board, *Prantik Gabeshana Patrika* (E-ISSN: 2583-6706)

#### **Awards and Honours:**

- ICCR Chair Professor at the **Centre for Contemporary Indian Studies (CCIS)**, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, for a period of one semester from March 2012.
- Chair Professor of the A K D Centre for Planning and Development.
- Programme coordinator of the UGC Departmental Research Scheme.
- Awarded UGC Research Fellowship (JRF) during 5.12.1988 to 4.12.2090 at the Department of Economics, University of Calcutta.
- Awarded UGC Research Fellowship (SRF) during 5.12.1990 to 31.08.2092 at the Department of Economics, University of Calcutta.

#### **Research Projects:**

- Programme Coordinator, UGC-Departmental Research Scheme-II under SAP on “**Agriculture, Environment and Rural Development**”, UGC Departmental Research Scheme-under SAP for the period: 1/4/2015 to 31/3/2020. Total Grant (NR+R): 100.00 (Lakh INR). Ref. No. F.5-15 (DRS-II)/ 2015 (SAP-III)Dt. 17 June, 2015.

- UGC Major Research Project on ‘**Stagnation of the Agrarian Economy: An Enquiry into Its Nature and Causes in Five Central Districts of West Bengal.**’ Role: Principal Investigator. Year 2012, Amount 6,70,756 INR.
- UGC-SAP DRS-I project on “Rural Non-Farm Economics: Characteristics and Determinants” ’Role: Principal Investigator (Co investigator S. Chakrabarti). Year 2010-11, Amount: 32853 INR.
- UGC Minor Research Project on Sustainability of the Small Farm Economy: The Case of Rural West Bengal **Role: Principal Investigator.** Year 2007. Amount 85,000 INR
- UGC Major Research Project on Impact of Agricultural Growth on Income Distribution in Rural West Bengal During 1977-78 to 2000-01 **Role: Principal Investigator.** Year 2002, Amount 40,000 INR.

#### **Doctoral Theses Guided:**

1. “Institutional Credit to Agriculture in India and its Impact: A study of the Post liberalisation Period” by Abhijit Pathak (Awarded in April 2024).  
(<https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/browse?type=author&value=Chattopadhyay%2C+Apurba+Kumar>)
2. “Situation Assessment of Agricultural Households in West Bengal A Case Study in Birbhum District” by Hemanta Sarkar (Awarded in October 2023).  
(<https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/browse?type=author&value=Chattopadhyay%2C+Apurba+Kumar>)
3. “A Socio economic Study of the Changing Status of Women in Purulia District of West Bengal in The Post reform Period” by Kaberi Pal (Awarded in June 2022)  
(<https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/browse?type=author&value=Chattopadhyay%2C+Apurba+Kumar>)
4. “Some Economic Aspects of Marginal Farms in Five Central Districts of West Bengal During 2003-4 to 2013-14” by Amit Mandal (Awarded in 2017)  
(<https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/handle/10603/19453/browse?type=author&order=ASC&rpp=20&value=Apurba+Kumar+Chattopadhyay>)

5. “MGNREGS, Social Audit and Rural Development: A Study of Some Selected Gram Panchayats in West Bengal” by Somnath Bandyopadhyay (Awarded in2016).(<https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/handle/10603/19453/browse?type=author&order=ASC&rpp=20&value=Apurba+Kumar+Chattopadhyay>)
6. “An Enquiry into the Nature and Problems of Canal Irrigation in India With Special Reference to West Bengal” by Raj Kumar Kundu (Awarded in2015). (<https://shodhganga.inflibnet.ac.in/handle/10603/19453/browse?type=author&order=ASC&rpp=20&value=Apurba+Kumar+Chattopadhyay>)
7. “Political Participation and Women Empowerment: A Study of Selected Districts in West Bengal” by Hillol Mukhopadhyay (Ongoing)
8. “Status of Agricultural Marketing and Agricultural Growth in West Bengal: A case study in Birbhum District.” by Moumita Maitra. (Ongoing)
9. “An Analysis of Formal-Informal Linkages through Subcontracting in India:A case study of West Bengal”, by Ushosi Chatterjee(Ongoing)
10. “Crop Diversification and Its Impact on Rural Livelihood: A Case Study” by Swapnanil Mukherjee (Ongoing)

#### **Member Research Advisory Committees (External)**

- Department of Economics, University of Calcutta, 2022 --2027.
- Department of Economics, Tripura University, 2023 --2028.

#### **M. Phil Thesis Guided:**

1. “An Analysis of Structural Change in Agriculture: A Case Study of West Bengal during 1970-2014” by Sukanya Nandy. (Awarded, 2020)
2. Informal manufacturing in Urban and Sub-urban areas: Organization and Motive of Production, based on Primary Survey (2008-10) by Subrata Mukherjee(Awarded, 2010)

**Supervisionof MA Dissertation(Numbers):** 20 (approx)

## Representative publications

1. “Women's Empowerment and Change in a Backward District of West Bengal: A PostReform Analysis”, *Prantik Gabeshana Patrika*, Volume No. 3 Issue No.2, Year 2025. pp. 1-16. ISSN: 2583-6706 (on-line) (Jointly with Kaberi Pal).
2. “Women's Empowerment in India through Political Participation: A Study of Constitutional Provisions and Achievements”, *Prantik Gabeshana Patrika*, Volume No. 3 Issue No.2 pp. 17-31. Year 2025. ISSN: 2583-6706 (on-line) (Jointly with Hillol Mukhopadhyay).
3. “Transition from Agriculture to Non-Agriculture Occupations in West Bengal, India: Causes and Way Forward”, *Asian Journal of Agriculture and Development* (AJAD), Volume 20, Year 2023, Pages 51-68. (Co-author: Raj Kumar Kundu)
4. “Looking into the Efficiency and Productivity of Major Irrigation Projects in West Bengal, India with Special Reference to the DVC Irrigation Project”, in Chattopadhyay and Chattopadhyay (Eds.), *Development Policy Making: Challenges and Concerns*, Year 2021, Pages 173-184. (Co-author: Raj Kumar Kundu)
5. “Agricultural Credit Growth and Credit Policy In India: A Critical Appraisal” in *Development Policy Making: Challenges and Concerns*, Volume, Year 2021, Pages 151-172 (Co-author: Abhijit Pathak)
6. COVID-19 Crisis and Role of the Indian State, *International Journal of Pluralism and Economics Education*, Volume 12, Year 2021, Pages 71-79. (Co-author: Abhijit Pathak)
7. “Debates on Agricultural Loan Waiver Schemes in India: Myths and Realities”, *Contemporary South Asia*, Vol. 29 No.4, 2021. pp. 560-570, DOI: 10.1080/09584935.2021.1995326 (Jointly with Abhijit Pathak)
8. Financial Performance of Major and Medium Irrigation Projects in India - Some Issues. *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*. 75(2):147-165. April-June 2020, pp. 147-165. ISSN: 0019-5014 (Jointly with Raj Kumar Kundu)
9. Water Resource Management of the Damodar Valley Corporation: Tail-end Deprivation of the Canal Network. *Economic and Political Weekly*. 55 (12): March, 21, 2020. Pp. 46-53. ISSN: 0012-9976 (Jointly with Raj Kumar Kundu)
10. Spatio-temporal Variations of Crop Diversification: A Block-level Study in West Bengal. *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol LIII No 21 May 26, 2018, ISSN: 0012-9976 (jointly with Raj Kumar Kundu).
11. Analysing Varying Crop Productivity in Canal Irrigation: A Case Study of Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) in West Bengal. *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 72, No. 4. October-December 2017. Pp. 513-534. ISSN: 0019-5014. (jointly with Raj Kumar Kundu)
12. ‘Economics of Rural Non-Farm Sector: Certain Characteristics and Determinants’, jointly with S. Chakraborty & S. Mondal in M. Ghosh & A K Chattopadhyay (Eds.),

- Rural Development in India: Challenges and Prospects***, Serial Publications, New Delhi, 2013. (ISBN:978-818387592-9).
13. "Water Resources in India: Some Issues in Irrigation Management" in S. Pan (Ed), ***Economic Reforms and Common Property Resources in India***, Regal Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 2013.
  14. 'Two Decades of Human Development in India' in D. Chattopadhyay (ed.), ***Human Rights and Human Development: Some Issues***, Amode Publications in collaboration with J K College, S-K-B University, Purulia, December, 2012 (ISBN: 978-81-9233634-3).
  15. 'Declining Sex ratio of the Population in India: Implications and Policy Issues' in D. N. Bhattacharya (ed.), ***Indian Economic Development: Contemporary Issues***, Regal Publications, New Delhi, February 2012, pp. 365-375.
  16. 'Agrarian Crisis, Unemployment and Rural Livelihood' in N U Khan and Sigamani P (eds.), ***Anatomy of Public Reforms and Development***, Macmillan Publishers India Limited (Macmillan Advanced Research Series), pp. 3-22. New Delhi 2011. ISBN No. 0230-33274-9.
  17. 'Continued Female Demographic Disadvantage in India: Evidence from 2011 Census Report', ***Journal of Social Work and Social Development***, Vol. 2, No. 1. June 2011. (ISSN 2229-6468).
  18. Agrarian Economy of West Bengal and the Question of Sustainability in K Pal (Ed), ***Sustainable Development and Role of Government***, Nath Publishing, Kolkata. 2010, Pp 97-126. ISBN: 978-81-8093-014-0.
  19. 'WTO and the Inequalities Among its Member Countries', (jointly with Ratan Kumar Ghosal) in R. K. Sen & John Felix Raj (eds.), ***WTO & Asian Union***, pp. 103-13, Deep and Deep Publication Pvt. Ltd. New-Delhi, 2009. ISBN: 978-81-8450-205-3.
  20. 'Impact of Agricultural Growth on Rural Income Distribution in West Bengal and Orissa', in J. Felix Raj (Ed.), ***Indian Economy: Economic Ideas, Development and Financial Reforms***, pp.325-349, Deep and Deep Publication Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi, 2008. ISBN: 978-81-8450-055-4
  21. Distributive Impact of Agricultural Growth in Rural West Bengal. ***Economic and Political Weekly***, Volume 40, No. 53, December 31, 2005—January 6, 2006, pp. 5601-10.
  22. 'WTO and India's External Sector: Trends and Prospects', ***Arthabeekshan***, Volume 15, No. 3, pp. 19-30, December 2006. (ISSN: 0972-1185) (Jointly with Ratan Kumar Ghosal).
  23. 'Globalisation, Inequalities in Consumption and Poverty in Rural India'. ***The Asian Economic Review***, Volume 46 No. 3, pp. 425-39, December 2004. ISSN: 0004-4555. (jointly with Dr. Ratan Kumar Ghosal).
  24. 'Development of Social Sector in West Bengal: A Comparative Analysis with Major Indian States'. ***Arthabeekshan***, Volume 12, No. 1, pp. 74-81, June 2003. (ISSN: 0972-1185)
  25. 'Manab Unnayaner Dui Dasak', ***Pathsala***, Vol.1. No.1. 2011, pp.91-97. ISSN: 2230-9594.



26. 'Cross-State Differentials in the Nature and Dimensions of Rural Poverty in India', (jointly with Dr. Ratan Kumar Ghosal) in K Nageswara Rao (Ed), '*Poverty in India: Global and Regional Dimensions*', pp. 222-242, Deep and Deep Publication Pvt. Ltd. New-Delhi, 2005. ISBN: 81-7629-669-4.
27. 'The WTO and the Feasibility of Formation of Asian Economic Community', (jointly with Dr. Ratan Kumar Ghosal) in IEA 87th Conference Volume, pp. 934-40, 2004, Varanasi.
28. 'Census 2001 and Sex Ratio: A Disaggregated Analysis of West Bengal', Conference Volume, pp. 128-34. Bengal Economic Association, February 8, 2002, Presidency College, Kolkata.

#### **Books & Journals edited:**

1. *Development Policy Making: Challenges and Concerns*, Gyan Publishing House, New Delhi, 2021 (forthcoming) (Jointly with Soumyadip Chattopadhyay) (ISBN: 9788121220149)
2. *Globalisation and Development: Perspectives and Policies*, Gyan Publishing House, New Delhi, 2019 (Jointly with Achiransu Acharya & Soumyadip Chattopadhyay) (ISBN: 9788121215633)
3. *Economic Development in India: Issues and Challenges*, Manak Publications Private Ltd, New Delhi, 2018 (Jointly with Biswajit Mandal & Soumyadip Chattopadhyay) (ISBN: 978-93-7831-458-2)
4. *Rural Development in India: Challenges and Prospects*, Serial Publications, New Delhi, 2013 (Jointly with M. Ghosh). (ISBN: 978-818387592-9).
5. '*Globalisation and Problem of Unemployment in India*', (Ed.), Sarat Book Distributors, Kolkata, December 2005. ISBN: 81-87169-63-X
6. *Reaching Out* (Report of the Extension Programme of the Department of Economics & Politics), Visva-Bharati. December, 2012.
7. '*Open Eyes: Indian Journal of Social Science, Literature, Commerce & Allied Areas*', Volume 1-3, December, 2004 to 2006. (ISSN: 2249-4332)

#### **Membership In Professional Bodies:**

- **Indian Statistical Institute**, Life Member since 1997.
- **Bengal Economic Association**, Life Member since 1992.
- **Indian Economic Association**, Life Member since 2003.

- **Indian Society of Agricultural Economics**, Life Member since 2012.
- **Santiniketan Sahityapath: A Literary Society**, Life Member since 2023.

**List of selected National/ International level Seminars/ Conferences where research papers were accepted and presented or acted as a resource person:**

- **Delivered Professor Tapan Chowdhury Memorial Lecture** on “India’s Economic and Social Development through the prism of Sustainable Development Goals” at Bolpur College organised by the WBCUTA on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025.
- Delivered an Invited Lecture on “**Some Issues of Gender Inequality in India’s Development Experience**” in the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual National Conference (National Seminar) of BangiyaArthaniti Parishad (BEA) on “Economics of Gender and Health: Lessons from India In the Post Independence Era” jointly organized by the BEA and Murshidabad University, Berhampur on 19.03.2025.
- Delivered an Invited Lecture on “**Economics Studies in Bengali: Past, Present and Future**” in a National Seminar on “Classical Bengali Language in Different Disciplines” jointly organized by the Bhasratiya Bhasha Samiti, Ministry of Education (GOI) and Shivnath Sastri College, Kolkata on 09.01.2025.
- Delivered Keynote address on “**Microfinance and Rural Poverty: The Role of SHG-Bank Linkage Programme and MFIs in India**” in a National Seminar on “Role of Commercial Banks in Microfinance through SHG” jointly organized by the Department of Economics and Department of Social Work, Sonamukhi College, Bankura on 07.09.2023.
- Presented a paper (jointly with Abhijit Pathak) titled, ‘Small Finance Banks and Agricultural Credit: An Appraisal’ presented at 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference and Two-Day National Webinar/Seminar of *Bangiya Arthaniti Parishad* (Bengal Economic Association) on ‘Transformation of the Indian Economy’ during 12-13 March 2022.
- Delivered an invited lecture on “**Growth & Distribution in India & Policy Perspectives: A Post-reform Scenario**” on 8 January 2022 under the invited lecture series organised by **The Heritage College**, Kolkata.
- Discussed a paper ‘**Intergroup Disparities in Rapidly Growing Economies**’ by Achin Chkraborty at the **International Conference on ‘Political Economy of Emerging Market Countries’** (organized jointly by IIM Calcutta, Georgetown University, Washington DC, and Princeton University) during January 2-3, 2017, in Santiniketan
- Presented a paper , ‘**Water Resource Management InThe DVC Command Area and Its Impacts on Cultivation**’ at the National Conference on “Role of Social Sectors and Public Policies in Economic Development” at the Department of Economics and Politics, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, 24-25 March 2017.
- Chaired a session at the two day **SHG Convention cum National Conference on “Women and Development”** organised by the Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension, Rural Extension Centre, Visva-Bharati, Sriniketan, during 17-18 March, 2017.

- Attended ORF-IIM Calcutta conference on **"25 years of Economic Reforms in India - Retrospect and Prospects"** held at Oberoi Grand in Kolkata on October 24-25th, 2016.
- Presented an invited lecture on **‘Performance of Agriculture and Rural Income Distribution in West Bengal in the Post-reforms Period’** in the NABARD sponsored Seminar on ‘Agrarian Economy of West Bengal’ on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2013, at Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata.
- Presented an invited lecture on **‘Higher Education: Issues Related to Quality & the Role of the Stakeholders’** in the NAAC sponsored Seminar on ‘Role of Students in Quality Assurance of Higher Education’ on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2012 at S R Lahiri Mahavidyalaya, University of Kalyani.
- Presented a lecture on **‘India’s Development Experience during the Post-reforms Period: Some Observations’** on 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2012 at the Centre for Contemporary Indian Studies, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- Delivered an invited lecture on **‘Common Property Water Resources in India: Some Issues in Irrigation Management’** in the National Seminar on ‘Challenges of Common Property Resources’ organised by M M Mahavidyalaya, Purulia, West Bengal during 12-13 September, 2011.
- Presented a paper entitled, **“Performance of the Farm Sector in India and the Question of Inclusive Growth: Agenda for Twelfth Five Year Plan”** in the 71st Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Agricultural Economics, held at **University of Agricultural Science, Dharwad**, Andhra Pradesh, from November 3 to 5, 2011.
- Presented a paper at the International Conference on **‘Relevance of Policy Reforms on Development: Challenges before Emerging Economies’** held during 24-26 February 2011 at **Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi**, Title of the paper: **‘Agrarian Crisis, Unemployment and Rural Livelihood’**.
- Acted as Rapporteur in the Technical Session-I of the International Seminar on **‘Forest Management and Sustainable Development: Economic and Environmental Issues’** organized by the Centre for Studies on Environment and Sustainable Development (CSESD) at Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata during 27-28 February, 2010.
- Presented an invited lecture on **‘Common Property Water Resources in India: Some Issues in Irrigation Management’** at the National Seminar on **‘Challenges of Common Property Resources’** organised by M M Mahavidyalaya, Purulia, West Bengal during 12-13 September, 2011.
- Acted as Rapporteur in the National Seminar in the Current Topic Session on **‘Global Economic Crisis and the Indian Economy’** in the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the

Bengal Economic Association held in Vivekananda College for Women, Kolkata, during 6-7 February, 2010.

- Acted as Raporteur in the National Seminar on '**Environment and Sustainable Development in India**' organised by the CSESD in collaboration with the Centre for Higher Education Management, **Rabindra Bharati University**, during 20-21 February, 2009.
- Presented a paper entitled, '**WTO and India's External Sector: Trends and Prospects**' in the 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of IEA held at School of Economics, **Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, A.P.**, during 27—29 December, 2005.
- Presented a research paper entitled, '**The WTO and the Feasibility of Formation of Asian Economic Community**' in the 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of IEA held at **Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, U.P.**, during 21-23 December, 2004.
- Presented a paper entitled, '**Agricultural Growth and Rural Income Distribution: A Study of West Bengal**' at the National Seminar on '**25 Years of West Bengal Economy**', **St. Xavier's College, Kolkata** on 26.09.2004.
- Presented a research paper entitled, '**Cross-State Differentials in the Nature and Dimensions of Rural Poverty in India**' in the 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of IEA, **Shivaji University, Kohlapur, Maharashtra**, during 29-31 December, 2003.
- Presented a research paper entitled, '**Globalisation, Inequalities in Consumption and Poverty in Rural India**' in the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the IEA, **University of Kerala, Thirubananthapuram** during 27<sup>th</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup> December 2002.
- Presented a research paper entitled, '**Census 2001 and Sex Ratio: A Disaggregated Analysis of West Bengal**' in the 22nd Annual Conference of BEA, **Presidency College, Kolkata**, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2002.

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& Politics, Visva-Bharati.  
19<sup>th</sup> August, 2025.

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