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Education						
Degree	Institution	Year	Details			
Ph.D. in Economics	YALE UNIVERSITY, U.S.A.	1995	Thesis Title: Essays in Bargaining: Wage Formation and Some Interconnections with Firm Behavior in Product Markets			
M.A. in Economics	DELHI SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, UNIVERSITY OF DELHI	1988	First Division			
B.A. (Honours) Economics	UNIVERSITY OF DELHI	1986	First Division			
Career Profile						
Organisation / Institution	Designation	Duration	Role			
University of Delhi	Professor	(5/4/2011 -)	Postgraduate teaching and research			
University of Delhi	Reader/Associate Professor	(5/4/2005 – 4/4/2011)	Postgraduate teaching and Research			
University of Delhi	Lecturer	2/1/'97- 4/4/'05	Postgraduate teaching and Research			
University of Delhi	Research Associate	Oct-Dec 1996	Postgraduate teaching and Research			
Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi	Visiting Scientist	(1995-96)	Postgraduate teaching and Research			
Research Interests / Specialization						

Applied Micro and Game Theory, topics in agricultural, resource, experimental and behavioural economics.
Teaching Experience (Subjects/Courses Taught)
Game Theory, Mathematical Methods in Economics, Stochastic Dynamics, Industrial Organization, Microeconomics.
Honors & Awards
Yale Graduate School Fellowship. Centre for Advanced Studies Scholarship.
Publications
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Information and Consumer Willingness to Pay for Biofortified Cassava: Evidence from Experimental Auctions in Nigeria”. Forthcoming, <i>Agricultural Economics</i>, 2015. (with A. Oparinde, E. Birol and P. Ilona). • “Detection, Identification and Estimation of Loss Aversion: Evidence from an Auction Experiment”. <i>American Economic Journal, Microeconomics</i>, February 2014. (with Neha Gupta). • “Auctions in Grain Markets and Farmer Welfare”. <i>Economic and Political Weekly</i>, December 2012 (Review of Rural Affairs). (with Neha Gupta and J. V. Meenakshi). • “Social Contracts, Markets and Efficiency: Groundwater Irrigation in North India”. <i>Journal of Development Economics</i>, July 2012. (with J.V. Meenakshi and Gauri Khanna). • “Using a Discrete Choice Experiment to Elicit the Demand for a Nutritious Food: Willingness-to-Pay for Orange Maize in Rural Zambia”. <i>Journal of Health Economics</i>, January 2012. (with J.V. Meenakshi, V. Manyong, N. Mittal and P. Hamukwala). • “The Impact of Metering on Water Use and Agriculture: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in West Bengal”. Published on the 3ie (International Initiative for Impact Evaluation) website, (http://www.3ieimpact.org/en/evidence/impact-evaluations/details/247/) October 2011. (with J.V. Meenakshi and Aditi Mukherji). • “Groundwater Markets, Irrigation Efficiency and Sustainability: A Study from North India”, in Economic and Environmental Sustainability of the Asian Region (eds. L. Singh, S. S. Gill and R. Marwah), Routledge, 2010. • “Local Network Externalities and Market Segmentation”. <i>International Journal of Industrial Organization</i> (September 2009). (with B. Dutta).

- “Millers, Commission Agents and Collusion in Grain Auction Markets: Evidence from Basmati Auctions in North India”. *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Contributions* (February 2008). (with J.V. Meenakshi).
- “Power Sector Reforms and Irrigation Efficiency”. *South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics Policy Brief Series*, 2007.
- “Groundwater Irrigation in North India: Institutions and Markets”. *South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics Discussion Paper*, (2006). (with J.V. Meenakshi and G. Khanna)
- “India: Telecoms Sector Expansion Forces Consolidation”. *Oxford Analytica*, August 2005.
- “India’s Banking Sector Consolidation”. *Oxford Analytica*, November 2005.
- “The Unsupportable Support Price: An Analysis of Collusion and Government Intervention in Paddy Auction Markets in North India”. *Journal of Development Economics* 76 (April 2005). (with J.V. Meenakshi)
- “Competition and Collusion in Grain Markets: Basmati Auctions in North India”. In B. Chatterjee and A. Raychaudhuri (ed.). *Trade, Finance and Development*, 2004, **Deep and Deep**.
- “Buyer Collusion and Efficiency of Government Intervention in Wheat Markets in Northern India: An Asymmetric Structural Auctions Analysis”. *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 86(1) (February 2004). (with J.V. Meenakshi)
- “Sequencing Strategically: Wage Negotiations under Oligopoly”. *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, 20(7) (September 2002).

Selected Other Research (Reports, Working Papers under Submission etc.)

- “Using Elicitation Mechanisms to Estimate the Demand for Nutritious Maize: Evidence

from Experiments in Rural Ghana”. *HarvestPlus, IFPRI Working Paper*, June 2013. (with S. Chowdhury, H. DeGroot, J.V. Meenakshi).

- “Information and Consumer Willingness to Pay for Biofortified Cassava: Evidence from Experimental Auctions in Nigeria”. forthcoming in the *HarvestPlus, IFPRI, Working Paper Series*, 2013. (with A. Oparinde, E. Birol and P. Itona).
- “Are Willingness to Pay Estimates Robust across Between- and Within-Subject Designs: Evidence from Consumer Acceptance Experiments on Biofortified Pearl Millet”. Paper presented at the European Agricultural Economics Association Seminar at Ghent, Belgium, September 2013. (with E. Birol, J. Rampal and B. Karandikar).
- “Price Formation in Grain Markets in North India”. Report prepared for the **Reserve Bank of India**, August 2000. (with J. V. Meenakshi).
- “Selling Jointly Owned Assets via Bilateral Bargaining Procedures”. (older version: Centre for Development Economics Working Paper 75, 2000).
- “Essays in Bargaining: Wage Formation and Some Interconnections with Firm Behavior in Product Markets”. Ph.D. dissertation, Yale University, 1995.

Public Service / University Service / Consulting Activity

(a) Conferences Organized:

- The Winter School, 2013, Centre for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics.
- Conference on Stunting, Early Childhood Disease and Sanitation, Delhi School of Economics, 2013.
- The Winter School, 2009, Centre for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics.
- The Winter School, 2008, Centre for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics.
- Conference on Sustainability and Development, Delhi School of Economics, 2007.
- The Winter School, 2004, Centre for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics.

(b) Refereeing for Journals:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Journal of Development Economics (Elsevier) • International Journal of the Economics of Business • International Journal of Industrial Organization (Elsevier) • Mathematical Social Sciences (Elsevier) • Regional Science and Urban Economics (Elsevier) • Review of Development Economics • Review of Network Economics (Blackwell) • Journal of the Science of Food and Agriculture • Ecological Economics (Elsevier) • Natural Resources Forum (United Nations) • Indian Economic Review • Journal of Quantitative Economics
Professional Societies Memberships
Member of The Econometric Society.
Projects (Major Grants / Collaborations)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact Evaluation of Electricity Metering on Agriculture. 3ie (International Initiative for Impact Evaluation), 2010-11. • Research on consumer acceptance of biofortified varieties of food crops: various grants 2008-9, 2010-12. HarvestPlus, International Food Policy Research Institute. • Groundwater Irrigation in North India. South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics Research Grant, 2004-06. • Price Formation in Grain Markets. Reserve Bank of India, 1999-2000.
Other Details
Executive Director (April 2012 – March 2014) and Managing Director (2008-09) of the Centre for Development Economics.