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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Tata Chancellor's Professor of Economics: UC San Diego: July 2018 – onwards
Tata Chancellor's Associate Professor of Economics: UC San Diego: July 2017 – June 2018
Associate Professor of Economics: UC San Diego: July 2014 – June 2017
Assistant Professor of Economics: UC San Diego: July 2008 - June 2014
Post-Doctoral Fellow: Harvard Graduate School of Education: July 07 – June 08

SHORT-TERM VISITS

Dean's Distinguished Visiting Fellow: Harvard Graduate School of Education: Oct 2015
University College London, Dept. of Economics: Sept – Dec 2012 (sabbatical visit)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Economics), Harvard University, June 2007
M.Phil. (Economics), Cambridge University, UK, 1999 (Ranked 1st)
A.B. (Economics), Harvard University, *summa cum laude*, 1998

AFFILIATIONS & APPOINTMENTS

Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)
Fellow and Board Member, Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD)
Affiliate, Jameel Poverty Action Lab, MIT (J-PAL) [Education Co-Chair and Board Member, 2014-24]
Research Fellow, Center for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)
Research Fellow, CESifo, Munich (CESifo)
Research Affiliate, Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA)
Affiliate, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA)
Affiliate, International Growth Center (IGC)
Non-Resident Fellow, National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER)
Founder and Scientific Director, Centre for Effective Governance of Indian States (CEGIS)
Member: Global Education Evidence Advisory Panel (GEEAP) of the World Bank & FCDO

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Fields: Development, Public, and Labor Economics, Political Economy
Topics: Education, Health, Social Protection, Service Delivery, State Capacity, Field Experiments, India

BOOKS

“Accelerating India’s Development: A State-Led Roadmap for Effective Governance”
Penguin Random House India (March 2024)

Winner of the [Crossword Book Award](#) 2024
Winner of the [Gaja Capital Book Award](#) 2025

Reviewed in the [Economist](#), [Mint](#) (x2), [Business Standard](#), [Indian Express](#), [Tribune](#), [Open](#), [Swarajya](#), [Marginal Revolution](#), [India Forum](#), [Journal of Economic Literature](#), [Development Impact](#), and others

Discussed in several conversations and podcasts including [Seen and the Unseen](#); [Grand Tamasha](#); Ideas of India ([transcript](#)); Sparx ([1](#), [2](#), [3](#)); [Lallantop](#); [Puliyabaazi](#); [Sushasan](#); [FED Dialogues](#); [Groww](#)

“Accelerating Development: A Roadmap for and from India”
Oxford University Press (forthcoming)

PRIMARY JOURNAL ARTICLES

“Covid-19 Learning Loss and Recovery: Panel data evidence from India”
(with Abhijeet Singh and Mauricio Romero); NBER Working Paper 30552
Journal of Human Resources (forthcoming)

“A Pathway to Implementing Universal Healthcare in India”
Lancet Vol. 407, Issue 10526, January 2026, pp. 316-318

“Factorial Designs, Model Selection, and (incorrect) Inference in Randomized Experiments”
(with Mauricio Romero and Kaspar Wuthrich); NBER Working Paper 26562
Review of Economics and Statistics Vol 107, Issue 3, May 2025, pp. 589-604

“Identity Verification Standards in Welfare Programs: Experimental Evidence from India”
(with Paul Niehaus and Sandip Sukhtankar); NBER Working Paper 26744
Review of Economics and Statistics Vol 107, Issue 2, March 2025, pp. 372-392

“Augmenting State Capacity for Child Development: Experimental Evidence from India
(with Alejandro J. Ganimian and Christopher Walters)
Journal of Political Economy Vol. 132, Issue 5, May 2024, pp. 1565-1602

“Personnel Management and School Productivity: Evidence from India”
(with Renata Lemos and Daniela Scur)
The Economic Journal Vol. 134, Issue 661, July 2024, pp. 2071-2100

“General Equilibrium Effects of (Improving) Public Employment Programs: Experimental Evidence from India” (with Paul Niehaus, and Sandip Sukhtankar)
Econometrica Vol. 91, Issue 4, July 2023, pp. 1261-1295

"Two Indias: The Structure of Health Care Markets in Rural Indian Villages with Implications for Policy" (with Jishnu Das, Benjamin Daniels, Monisha Ashok, and Eun-Young Shim)
Social Science and Medicine, Vol. 301, May 2022

"India's new National Education Policy: Evidence and Challenges" (with Abhijeet Singh)
Science Vol. 372, Issue 6537, Apr 2021, pp. 36-38

"Improving Last-Mile Service Delivery using Phone-based Monitoring"
(with Paul Niehaus, Sandip Sukhtankar, and Jeff Weaver);
American Economic Journal: Applied Economics 2021, Vol. 13(2) pp. 52-82

"Inputs, Incentives, and Complementarities in Education: Experimental Evidence from Tanzania"
(with Isaac Mbiti, Mauricio Romero, Youdi Schipper, Constantine Manda, and Rakesh Rajani);
Quarterly Journal of Economics 2019, Vol. 134(3) pp. 1627-1673

"Disrupting Education? Experimental Evidence on Technology-Aided Instruction in India" (with Abhijeet Singh, and Alejandro Ganimian); *American Economic Review* 2019, Vol. 109(4) pp. 1426-1460

"Double for Nothing? Experimental Evidence on an Unconditional Teacher Salary Increase in Indonesia" (with Joppe de Ree, Menno Pradhan, and Halsey Rogers); *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 2018, Vol 133, No 2, pp 993-1039

"Experimentation at Scale" (with Paul Niehaus); *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 2017, Vol 31, No 4, pp 103-24

"Cycling to School: Increasing Secondary School Enrolment for Girls in India" (with Nishith Prakash); *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 2017, Vol 9, No 3, pp 321-350

"The Fiscal Cost of Weak Governance: Evidence from Primary Education in India" (with Jishnu Das, Alaka Holla, and Aakash Mohpal); *Journal of Public Economics*, 2017, Vol 145, pp 116-135

"Quality and Accountability in Healthcare Delivery: Audit-Study Evidence from Primary Care Providers in India" (with Jishnu Das, Alaka Holla, and Aakash Mohpal); *American Economic Review*, 2016, Vol 106, No 12, pp 3765-3799

"Building State Capacity: Evidence from Biometric Smartcards in India" (with Paul Niehaus and Sandip Sukhtankar), *American Economic Review*, 2016, Vol. 106, No 10, pp. 2895-2929

"Bridging the Education Gender Gap in Developing Countries: The Role of Female Teachers" (with Ketki Sheth), *Journal of Human Resources*, 2016, Vol. 51, No. 2, pp. 269-297 (Lead Article)

"The Aggregate Effect of School Choice: Evidence from a two-stage experiment in India" (with Venkatesh Sundararaman), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 2015, Vol. 130, No. 3, pp. 1011-66 (Editor's Choice and Lead Article)

"School Inputs, Household Substitution, and Test Scores" (with Jishnu Das, Stefan Dercon, James Habyarimana, Pramila Krishnan, and Venkatesh Sundararaman), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 2013, Vol. 5, No. 2, pp 29-57

KARTHIK MURALIDHARAN

"Teacher Performance Pay: Experimental Evidence from India" (with Venkatesh Sundararaman), *Journal of Political Economy*, 2011, Vol. 119, No. 1, pp. 39-77

"Teacher Opinions on Performance Pay: Evidence from India" (with Venkatesh Sundararaman), *Economics of Education Review*, 2011, Vol. 30, No. 3, pp 394-403

"The Impact of Diagnostic Feedback to Teachers on Student Learning: Experimental Evidence from India" (with Venkatesh Sundararaman), *The Economic Journal*, 2010, Vol. 120, issue 546, pp F187-F203

"Missing in Action: Teacher and Health Worker Absence in Developing Countries" (with Nazmul Chaudhury, Jeffrey Hammer, Michael Kremer, Halsey Rogers), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Winter 2006, pp 91-116

"Teacher Absence in India: A Snapshot" (with Michael Kremer, Nazmul Chaudhury, Jeffrey Hammer, Halsey Rogers), *Journal of the European Economic Association*, Vol. 3, no. 2-3, April-May 2005, pp. 658-67

OTHER JOURNAL ARTICLES

"Integrating Biometric authentication in India's Welfare Programs: Lessons from a Decade of Reforms" (with Paul Niehaus, and Sandip Sukhtankar) *India Policy Forum*, Vol 18, 2021, pp 139-172

"An Inclusive Growth Dividend: Reframing the Role of Income Transfers in India's Anti-Poverty Strategy" (with Maitreesh Ghatak) *India Policy Forum*, Vol 16, 2019, pp 109-168

"A New Approach to Public-Sector Hiring in India for Improved Service Delivery", *India Policy Forum*, 2016, Vol 12

"Priorities for Primary Education Policy in India's 12th Five-year Plan", *India Policy Forum*, 2013, Vol 9, pp 1-46

"Why are teachers absent? Probing service delivery in Peruvian primary schools" (with Lorena Alcázar, Halsey Rogers, Nazmul Chaudhury, Jeffrey Hammer, Michael Kremer), *International Journal of Educational Research*, 2006, Vol. 45, pp 117-136

WORKING PAPERS

Selective Admissions and Academic Value Added: Evidence from Indian Higher Education (with Advait Aiyer, Gaurav Khanna, Naveen Kumar)

Using Technology to Deliver Pre-School Services at Scale: Experimental Evidence from India (with Ajinkya Keskar, Mauricio Romero, Abhijeet Singh)

"Adapting for Scale? Experimental Evidence on Technology-Aided Instruction in India" (with Abhijeet Singh) NBER Working Paper 34205
Revisions requested at *Journal of Political Economy*

Current draft: October 2025

"Maternal Cash Transfers for Gender Equity and Child Development: Experimental Evidence from India" (with Paul Niehaus, Sandip Sukhtankar, and Jeff Weaver); NBER Working Paper 32093
Current draft: August 2025

"Experimentally Validating Welfare Evaluation of School Vouchers"
(with Peter Arcidiacono, and John Singleton) NBER Working Paper 32968
Current draft: August 2025

"Experimentally Validating Welfare Evaluation of School Vouchers: Part I"
(with Peter Arcidiacono, Eun-young Shim, and John Singleton) NBER Working Paper 29077
Current draft: July 2021

"Improving Public Sector Management at Scale? Experimental Evidence on School Governance in India" (with Abhijeet Singh) NBER Working Paper 28129
Revised and resubmitted to *Journal of Political Economy: Microeconomics*
Current draft: November 2025

"The State and the Market in Education Provision: Evidence and the Way Ahead"
Current draft: October 2019

"Contract Teachers: Experimental Evidence from India" (with Venkatesh Sundararaman); NBER Working Paper 19440
Current draft: October 2013

"Long-Term Effects of Teacher Performance Pay: Experimental Evidence from India"
Current draft: April 2012

"Is there a Doctor in the House? Absent Medical Providers in India" (with Michael Kremer, Nazmul Chaudhury, Jeffrey Hammer, Halsey Rogers)

BOOK CHAPTERS

"Psychometric Quality of Measures of Learning Outcomes in Low- and Middle-Income Countries" in *Handbook of Experimental Development Economics*, edited by Utteeyo Dasgupta, and Pushkar Maitra, Elgar, 2025

"Reforming the Indian School Education System" in *What the Economy Needs Now*, edited by Abhijit Banerjee, Gita Gopinath, Raghuram Rajan, and Mihir Sharma, Juggernaut Books, April 2019

"Field Experiments in Education in Developing Countries" in *Handbook of Field Experiments Volume 2*, edited by Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo. Elsevier, 2017

"Improving Education Outcomes in Developing Countries - Evidence, Knowledge Gaps, and Policy Implications" (with Paul Glewwe) for the *Handbook of the Economics of Education Volume 5*, edited by Eric Hanushek, Steve Machin, and Ludger Woessman, Elsevier, 2016

KARTHIK MURALIDHARAN

"Public and Private Schools in Rural India" (with Michael Kremer), in *School Choice International*, edited by Paul Peterson and Rajashri Chakrabarti, MIT Press, 2008

"Teacher and Medical Worker Incentives in India" in the *Oxford Companion to Economics in India*, edited by Kaushik Basu, Oxford University Press, 2007

POLICY PAPERS, CONVERSATIONS, and BRIEFS

"Cost-Effective Approaches to Improve Global Learning: What Does Recent Evidence tell us are "Smart Buys" for Improving Learning in Low- and Middle-Income Countries" (with Kwame Akyeampong, Tahir Andrabi, Abhijit Banerjee, Rukmini Banerji, Susan Dynarski, Rachel Glennerster, Sally Grantham-McGregor, Benjamin Piper, Sara Ruto, Jaime Saavedra, Sylvia Schmelkes, Hirokazu Yoshikawa),
Report of the Global Education Evidence Advisory Panel 2023

"Direct Benefits Transfer in Food: Results from One Year of Process Monitoring in Union Territories," (with Paul Niehaus and Sandip Sukhtankar), September 2017

"Charting a Course for the Indian Economy" (a conversation with Arvind Subramanian, Chief Economic Advisor to the Govt. of India), *Ideas for India*, August 2015

"Big and Small Ideas in Development Economics: Theory, Evidence, and Practice" (a conversation with Kaushik Basu, Chief Economist at the World Bank), *Ideas for India*, February 2015

"Proposal for a National Program of Primary School Teaching Assistants to Guarantee Minimum Absolute Learning for All Children by the End of the 12th Plan," *Ideas for India*, November 2013

"Implementing a Biometric Payment System: The Andhra Pradesh Experience," (with Piali Mukhopadhyay, Paul Niehaus and Sandip Sukhtankar), May 2013

"Assessing the Scope for Cash Transfers in lieu of the TPDS in Rural and Urban Bihar," (with Paul Niehaus and Sandip Sukhtankar), 25 May, 2011

"Brief on Private Schools in India," brief prepared for the Supreme Court of India's deliberations on the constitutional validity of private-school provisions in the Right to Education Act (with Jishnu Das)

"Public-Private Partnerships for Quality Education in India," *Seminar*, Issue #565, September 2006

Podcasts, Public Lectures, Op-eds, and Popular Writing

Several – see details at: <https://econweb.ucsd.edu/~kamurali/Media.html>

TEACHING

Impact Evaluation in Practice (Ph.D.), Mini-course, World Bank

Field Experiments in Education (Ph.D.), Mini-course, NHH, Bergen Norway

Microeconomics of Development (Ph.D.), UC San Diego

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Macroeconomics of Development (Ph.D.), UC San Diego
Development Economics (Undergraduate), UC San Diego
The Indian Economy (Undergraduate), UC San Diego
Special Topics on the Indian Economy (Undergraduate), UC San Diego
Running Field Experiments (Masters/Ph.D.), UC San Diego
Economics of Education in Developing Countries (Masters), Harvard University
Public Sector Economics (Undergraduate), Harvard College

ADVISING & MENTORING

Post-doctoral Fellows: Ph.D school (placement after post-doc; * indicates placement obtained prior to post-doc)

- 2020-23: Manaswini Rao – UC Berkeley (University of Delaware)
- 2020-23: Naveen Kumar – University of Illinois (BGS College of Engineering & Technology)
- 2017-18: Jeff Weaver* – Yale (University of Southern California, Economics)
- 2015-16: Eun-Young Shim – U Penn, Economics (Amazon)
- 2015 -17: Alejandro Ganimian – Harvard Graduate School of Education (NYU, Steinhardt School of Education)

Ph.D. students (with first placement after Ph.D); * indicates chair or co-chair of dissertation committee:

- 2025 Steven Brownstone* (GiveWell)
- 2024 Sabareesh Ramachandran* (Indian School of Business after post-doc at Univ. of Chicago)
- 2022 Jianan Yang* (Beijing University after post-doc at Stanford University)
- 2022 Arushi Kaushik (Amazon)
- 2022 Mitch Vanvuren (Yale post-doc)
- 2020 Wang Yang* (Shanghai Jiao Tong University)
- 2020 Wayne Sandholtz* (NOVA Economics)
- 2020 Samuel Krumholz (Department of Justice)
- 2020 Austin Henderson (Washington State)
- 2018 Mauricio Romero* (ITAM)
- 2018 Diego Vera (IADB)
- 2016 Sarojini Hirshleifer* (UC Riverside, Economics)
- 2016 Arman Rezaee (UC Davis, Economics)
- 2014 Ketki Sheth* (UC Merced, Economics)
- 2014 Yendrick Zieleniak (Amazon)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Memberships: American Economic Association, Econometric Society

Editorships: *Co-editor: India Policy Forum*

Board of Editors: American Economic Journal: Applied Economics

Associate Editor: Journal of Development Economics

Peer Review:

Journals: *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, American Political Science Review, Canadian Journal of Economics, Econometrica,*

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Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economica, Economics of Education Review, Economic Journal, India Review, International Economic Review, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Human Development, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Labor and Development, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of School Choice, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, Science, Southern Economic Journal, World Bank Economic Review

Funding Agencies: CEGA, DFID-ESRC, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie), Israel Science Foundation, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Jameel Poverty Action Lab, MIT (J-PAL), John Templeton Foundation, National Science Foundation (NSF), Private Enterprise Development in Low Income Countries (PEDL), USAID DIV, World Bank.

HONORS, RECOGNITIONS and FELLOWSHIPS

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| 2025 | Gaja Capital Book Award 2025 (for <i>Accelerating India's Development</i>) |
| 2024 | Crossword Book Award 2024 (for <i>Accelerating India's Development</i>) |
| 2024 | Global TED Speaker – (link to talk) |
| 2018 | Excellence in Refereeing Award – <i>American Economic Review</i> |
| 2018 | Excellence in Refereeing Award – <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i> |
| 2018 | Outstanding Undergraduate Instructor Award, UC San Diego |
| 2017 | Outstanding Graduate Instructor Award, UC San Diego |
| 2017 | Tata Chancellor's Endowed Chair in Economics, UC San Diego |
| 2015 | Outstanding Graduate Instructor Award, UC San Diego |
| 2011 – 2012 | National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship |
| 2011 | CESIfo Distinguished Young Affiliate Prize |
| 2009 – 2010 | Center for Pacific Economies Fellowship, UC San Diego |
| 2008 | Spencer Foundation Exemplary Dissertation Award |
| 2006 – 2007 | Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship |
| 2006 – 2007 | Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Fellowship |
| 2004 – 2006 | Bradley Foundation Fellowship |
| 2004 | Derek Bok Center Certificate for Excellence in Teaching |
| 2003 – 2004 | Justice, Welfare, and Economics Fellowship, Harvard University |
| 2001 – 2003 | Harvard University Graduate Fellowship |
| 1999 | Stevenson Prize, Cambridge University |
| 1998 – 1999 | Eben Fiske Fellowship to Trinity College, Cambridge University |
| 1997 | Phi Beta Kappa, Harvard College (junior year inductee) |
| 1995 | Detur Prize, Harvard College |

NAMED and KEYNOTE LECTURES

- 2026 January 10** – [Ahmedabad University](#) 7th Annual Economics Conference
2026 January 8 – Atal Memorial Lecture, Sardar Patel Institute of Public Administration, Gandhinagar
2026 January 7 – Jadavpur University, Development Economics Conference
2025 November 21 – Indian School of Business Insights Forum, Mohali
2025 March 8 – Pacific Development Conference (PacDev), University of Southern California
2025 January 8 – Prof. DT Lakdawala Memorial Lecture, University of Mumbai

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2024 December 20 – ISI Annual Conference on Growth and Development, Delhi
2024 December 16 – Conference on Public Finance in Developing Countries, University of Zurich
2024 October 2 – Max Weber Lecture, European University Institute, Florence, Italy
2024 July 12 – Arijit Mukherjee Memorial Lecture, IIM Calcutta
2026 January 8 – Atal Memorial Lecture, Sardar Patel Institute of Public Administration, Gandhinagar
2022 December 13 – IIM Ahmedabad Conference on State Capacity
2020 February 25 – Radha Devi Joshi Lecture, University of Connecticut
2020 February 10 – Dr. P C Bansil Memorial Lecture, IIT Delhi
2019 December 19 – ISI Annual Conference on Growth and Development, Delhi

INVITED SEMINARS and LECTURES (Economics Department unless mentioned otherwise)

2025 – 26 (including scheduled): UNICEF; Govt. of Odisha; Harvard University Mittal Institute; Columbia University Raj Center; MGSIPA, Chandigarh; Plaksha University; PRS Legislators Workshop; and several keynotes and named lectures (see list above)

2024 – 25: IIM Bangalore; Bangalore University; Bangalore International Centre; CEEW; Govt. of Tamil Nadu; National Law University, Delhi; UN Country Office – New Delhi; NUS (Economics, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy); University of Bocconi; Kautilya Economics Conclave, New Delhi; NEUDC; Indian School of Business, Hyderabad; Kautilya School of Public Policy; Jawaharlal Nehru University; Ashoka University; Rishihood University; Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation, Govt. of India; Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA); CII Global Summit; Ministry of Education, Govt. of India; ISI Conference, New Delhi; Neemrana Conference on the Indian Economy; LBSNAA, Mussoorie; IIT Mumbai; Tata Memorial Hospital; Pune Public Policy Festival; Delhi School of Economics; World Bank; KREA University; Gokhale Institute of Economics and Politics, Pune; Madras School of Economics; UC Berkeley (Economics, ISAS); Stanford University (GSE, King Center); BREAD Conference, Princeton University

2023 – 24: Kautilya Economics Conclave, New Delhi; ASSA Meetings in San Antonio; Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum; Carnegie India; Artha Global; Chennai International Centre; University of Pennsylvania (CASI, Wharton School); Takshashila Institute; World Bank; IMF

2022 – 23: University of Pittsburgh, UNSW Education Conference, NBER Economics of Education Meetings, IIM Ahmedabad, Neemrana Conference on the Indian Economy, IIT Kanpur, Institute of Economic Growth

2021 – 22: University of Chicago (Experimental working group), VoxDev BREAD Seminar; Syracuse University (x2); University of Chicago

2020 – 21: Hong Kong University; University of Massachusetts, Boston University, University of Minnesota, Empirical Management Conference 2020, 5TH Zurich Conference on Public Finance in Developing Countries

2019 – 20: Pennsylvania State University; University of Connecticut; University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy; Cornell University; Columbia University (Symposium on the Indian Economy); University College, London; NBER Summer Institute

2018 – 19: University of Zurich; ICFES Bogota (Keynote address); Universidad de Los Andes, Bogota; NBER-NCAER-ICRIER Conference on the Indian Economy, Neemrana; University of Texas, Austin; ITAM, Mexico City; BREAD Conference; Stanford University; RISE; NBER Summer Institute

2017 – 18: NBER Summer Institute, Development Economics Program; NBER Summer Institute, Economics of Education Program; University of California, Davis; University of California, Santa Cruz; Conference on Development Economics & Impact Evaluation, University of Mannheim, Germany; University of Washington; NBER-NCAER-ICRIER Conference on the Indian Economy, Neemrana; Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi;

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University of British Columbia; Stanford; University of Toronto; MIT; RISE Conference, Oxford

2016 – 17: IGC India Growth and Development Conference, New Delhi; 2017; NBER Summer Institute, Economics of Education Program; University of California, Berkeley; Princeton University (x2); Columbia Teachers College; Oklahoma State University; University of California, Irvine; NBER-NCAER-ICRIER Conference on the Indian Economy, Neemrana; University of Colorado, Boulder; Inter-American Development Bank; World Bank; LSE/UCL; University of California, Riverside; RAND

2015 – 16: India Policy Forum, New Delhi; IGC India Growth and Development Conference, New Delhi; NBER Summer Institute, Economics of Education Program; Northwestern University; Cornell University; University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign; University of Chicago, Education Workshop; University of Chicago, Booth School of Business; University of Chicago, Demography Workshop; Stanford, University, Health Economics Workshop; University of California, Berkeley; Harvard University, Graduate School of Education (x2); Delhi Economics Conclave, New Delhi; Yale University; Brown University; University of Texas, Austin; University of Arkansas, Dept. of Education Reform; NBER Healthcare Economics Spring Meeting; Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences, Germany; German Economic Association, Economics of Education Section (keynote lecture); University of California, Irvine.

2014 – 15: IGC India Growth and Development Conference, New Delhi; IGC Bihar Growth Conference, Patna, Pontifica; University de Catolica, Santiago, Chile (x2); CESifo Economics of Education Conference, Munich, Germany; Michigan State University; IGC Growth Week; Stanford University; Freeman Spogli Institute; Columbia University; NBER-NCAER-ICRIER Conference on the Indian Economy, Neemrana; Stanford University; Graduate School of Education; National University of Singapore; Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy; New York University; BREAD Spring Conference; Columbia University; Cambridge University.

2013 – 14: Young Lives Conference, Oxford University (Keynote Lecture); IGC South Asia Growth Conference, New Delhi; National Council for Education Research and Training (NCERT), New Delhi; Indian Administrative Service Phase IV Training; LBSNAA; Mussoorie; IGC Bihar Growth Conference; Patna, IGC Growth Week; London, Center for Effective Global Action; UC Berkeley; Duke University (x2); BREAD Fall Conference; NBER (Cambridge, MA); NBER Economics of Education Fall Meeting; Center for Global Development, Washington DC; Georgetown University; World Bank – 10th Anniversary Conference on WDR 2004; Pacific Conference for Development Economics; Center for Good Governance; Hyderabad Reserve Bank of India, Mumbai; NCAER Distinguished Lecture, New Delhi; Harvard-Brown-MIT Joint Seminar on South Asian Politics; Oxford University; Blavatnik School of Government; University of Maryland; George Mason University; BREAD Spring Conference; UC Berkeley; University of Southern California; Dornsife Center for Economic and Social Research; Oregon State University; Commission on Science and Technology (Costech); Govt. of Tanzania.

2012 – 13: Conference on Public Finance Issues in China; Tsinghua University, Beijing; NCAER-Brookings India Policy Forum, New Delhi; IGC India Growth Conference, New Delhi; USAID Early Grade Reading Workshop, New Delhi; International Food Policy Research Institute, (IFPRI), Washington DC; CESifo Economics of Education Conference, Munich; IGC Growth Week, London, UK (x3); University of Sussex; Oxford University (x2); NBER Economics of Education Fall Meeting; Azim Premji University, Bangalore; Cambridge University; University of Warwick; Royal Holloway, London; Institute for Fiscal Studies, London; University College, London; NBER-NCAER-ICRIER, Conference on the Indian Economy, Neemrana; Indian Statistical Institute; Growth & Development Conference, New Delhi; University of Southern California; University of California, Berkeley; Pacific Conference for Development Economics; CMPO Conference; University of Bristol (Keynote Lecture); Cabinet Minister, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India; Conference on Human Development in Developing Countries; HKUST, Hong Kong.

2011– 12: Institute for Financial Management and Research, Chennai; Performance Management Unit, Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India; Planning Commission, Government of India; Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India; Ministry of Finance, Government of India; CESifo Economics of Education Conference, Munich; Stanford University; Harvard University; South Asia Initiative Lecture; Yale University;

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NBER Economics of Education Fall Meeting; University of Southern California; RAND Corporation, Santa Monica; IGC Bihar Growth Conference; Patna Indian Statistical Institute; Growth & Development Conference, New Delhi; NBER-NCAER-ICRIER Conference on the Indian Economy, Neemrana; IGC India Growth Conference, New Delhi; School Choice National Conference, New Delhi; National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER), New Delhi; LSE/UCL; University of Warwick; Department for International Development (DFID), London, UK; Center for Global Development (CGD), Washington DC; Congressional Caucus for Effective Foreign Assistance, Washington DC; University of California; Society for Research on Education Effectiveness (SREE) Conference, Washington DC; Stanford University, Liberation Technology Seminar Series; UC Berkeley, Haas School of Business; University of Connecticut; IGC/CEPR Workshop on State Capacities, London, UK; University of Maryland, Conference on Applied Microeconomics.

2010– 11: Conference on Social Policy in India; University of Warwick; BREAD Summer Workshop; University of Verona and Trento, Italy; INSEAD, Singapore; National University of Singapore; National University of Singapore – Global Asia Institute; Singapore Management University; Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Bangalore; University of Arkansas; Department of Education Reform University of Houston; CEGA; UC Berkeley; NBER Economics of Education Fall Meeting; Conference on Impact Evaluation, Korea Development Institute, Seoul, South Korea; Indian Statistical Institute, Growth & Development Conference, New Delhi; IGC Bihar Growth Conference, Patna; IGC India Growth Conference, New Delhi; World Bank, New Delhi; Stanford University, Center for Education Policy Analysis (CEPA).

2009– 10: NBER Summer Institute – Education Group Meeting; NBER Summer Institute – Personnel Economics Working Group; Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics (SITE); Dartmouth College; UC Riverside; UC Irvine; Northwestern University; American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta; J-PAL Bihar Development Conference, Patna; NBER-NCAER-ICRIER Conference on the Indian Economy, Neemrana; University of Minnesota; Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota, Department of Applied Economics; World Bank; Development Economics Research Group (DECRG), Washington DC; Center for Global Development (CGD), Washington DC; Annual Bank Conference on Development Economics (ABCDE), Stockholm, Sweden; Conference on Merit Pay for Teachers, Harvard Kennedy School (PEPG); Conference on "Education policies: Empirics and design" at KUL, Leuven, Belgium.

2008– 09: NBER-CCER Conference on the Chinese Economy, Beijing; University of Southern California; NEUDC; Boston University; Inter-American Development Bank, Washington DC; University of Pennsylvania (Center for the Advanced Study of India); Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Indian School of Business, Hyderabad; World Bank, Jakarta; University of California, Berkeley; Stanford University; University of Florida; University of California, San Diego; World Bank Workshop on "Making Schools Accountable?", Washington DC.

2007– 08: Ministry of Education and Ministry of Planning; Government of Indonesia; World Bank/DFID South Asia Regional Conference on Quality Education, New Delhi; Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission of India, New Delhi; NBER-NCAER-ICRIER Conference on the Indian Economy, Neemrana; Columbia University; Vanderbilt University; Peabody College of Education – National Conference on Performance Incentives; Texas A & M University (x2); Bush School of Government; University of California, San Diego; CESifo – Munich, Germany – Conference on Incentives in Education.

2006– 07: NEUDC; Cornell University; Harvard University; Yale University, School of Management; Washington University in St. Louis; University of California, Berkeley (ARE); University of California, Los Angeles; University of California, San Diego; University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy; Northwestern University, Kellogg School of Management; Harvard University, Graduate School of Education; University of Texas, Austin; NBER Economics of Education Spring Meeting; University of Virginia.

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