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Qualifications:

- PhD on Unorganised Sector And Regional Economic Development, 2009, from University of Burdwan
- MSc in Economics, 1996 from University of Burdwan
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Teaching Experience: 19 Years

Areas of Teaching: Development Economics; Financial Economics, Indian Economics;

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Areas of Research Interest: Unorganised sector; Nonfarm Sector & Entrepreneurship; Development

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Administrative Experiences: Executive Council Member from February 2023 to February 2024.

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Publications:

Books:

- "Unorganised Sector and Regional Economic Development", LAP LAMBERT Academic Publishing, Germany, 2011, ISBN-978-3-8433-9017-0.
- "*The Role of Non Farm Sector In Rural Transformation*", EARDA Publishers (Euro Asia Research and Development Association), **ISBN**: 978-81-934246-3-6
- Socio Economic Impact of Rainwater Harvesting: Evidences from Purulia district of West Bengal, Asian Press Books, ISBN: 978-81-959738-0-4, 2022

Books Edited:

- Development and Sustainibility: A Multidimensional Approach (with Atanu Sengupta), Regal Publications, 2017.
- Development and Exclusion in India (with Rajarshi Majumder), Segment Books, 2018.

Papers/Articles in Journals:

• "Hygiene and health in Northeast India: a Study of the Basic Indicators", Journal of Health Management, **SAGE**, Vol 26, Issue 2, June, 2024.

- "The environmental and socio-economic impact of coal mining on local livelihoods and health: A case study of Raniganj Coalfields in West Bengal, India." Man and Development, 2022. (Forthcoming)
- "Socio economic impact of Rainwater Harvesting on farming economy: A study from Purulia district of West Bengal" Rabindra Bharati University Journal of Economics, 2022, Volume-XVI, December 2022.
- "Half bottled filled: Hygiene and Sanitation in India's Backyard", Arthavijnana, Vol. LXII, No 2, June 2020, pp188-201.
- "Economic and Environmental impact of Thermal Power plant: A study from West Bengal, India", "The Indian Journal of Economics", Issue 391, Vol XCVIII, Part-IV, April, 2018.
- "Rainwater Harvesting Technology and Water Use Practices: A study from Purulia district of West Bengal, India", "International Journal of Research in Humanities, Arts and Literature", Vol 6, Issue 8, August 2018.
- "Appraisal of Environmental Pollution: A case experience of Sponge Iron Factory", "International journal of Research in Social Science", Vol. 8 Issue 9, September 2018.
- "Self Help Group And Rural Development: A Study From Bankura District Of West Bengal", "International Journal of Research in Humanities, Arts and Literature", Vol 6, Issue 8, August 2018.
- "Determinants of willingness to pay for sustainable water supply through Rainwater Harvesting Technology: A Contingent Valuation Study from Purulia District of West Bengal in India", Environica, Vol 2, January 2018.
- "Determinants and Constraints of Rural Livelihood Diversification: A Study from Birbhum district", West Bengal, communicated to "Asian Academic Research Journal of Social Sciences & Humanities", Vol 1, Issue 8, February, 2013.
- "An Enquiry into the scope of Livelihood Promotion and Rural Development through Diversification: A study from selected villages of West Bengal", "International Journal of Applied Research & Studies", Vol 3, Issue 5, May 2014,
- "Impact Assessment of Micro Credit: A Study of Self-Help Groups from Bardhaman in West Bengal", "Rabindra Bharati University Journal of Economics" Vol IV, March 2010.
- "Status of Entrepreneurship and Associated Environment: A Study from Durgapur, West Bengal", Productivity, Vol 50, No- 4, Jan- March, 2010.
- "Consumerism in the eyes of a Rational Optimist", The India Economy Review' Volume VI, May, 2009.
- "Unorganised Sector in India: Regional Growth Dynamics", "Rabindra Bharati University Journal of Economics" Vol III, March, 2009

Papers/Articles in Edited Volumes:

• 'Improved Water supply through Rainwater harvesting Technology in Purulia district of West Bengal, India' article in the book titled 'Advances in Sustainable Development and

Management of Environmental and Natural Resources: Economic Outlook and Opinions' edited by Rohini Prasad, Manoj Kumar Jhariya and Arnab Banerjee, Apple Academic Press (Taylor and Francis Group), 2021, ISBN:978-1-77491-036-8

- "Non Farm Livelihood Diversification and Rural Development: Evidence from a Field Survey in West Bengal" article in the book edited by S K Datta and A Sengupta, Cambridge Scholars Publications, 2013.
- "Livelihood Diversification and its impact on Living standard: A micro level study from Birbhum district, West Bengal", article in the book on "Rural Livelihood in India: Social, Economic and Environmental issues" edited by S K Datta and Pravat Kumar Kuri, Serials Publications, 2012.
- "Rural Household's Livelihood diversification and Well being: A micro study in the district of Birbhum, West Bengal", article in the Book Entitled "Livelihood and Health: Issues and Processes in Rural Development" edited by Prof. P. Dash Sharma, Editor, South Asian Anthropologist, Serials Publications, New Delhi, 2012.
- "Unorganised Sector Growth in India: A State level Analysis", article in the book Entitled 'Rural Development in India: Challenges and Prospects' edited by Madhusudan Ghosh and Apurba Kumar Chattopadhyay, Serials Publications, New Delhi, 2012, ISBN-9788183875929.

Research Projects:

Title of the Project	Sponsoring Year Authority	Status
The role of Non-Farm Sector in Rural Transformation	UGC 2011-12	Completed

Consultancy:

- "The role of Non Farm Sector in Rural Transformation" UGC Research Project; Funding Authority: University Grants Commission of India; Completed, 2012
- Co-Author: "Economic Wellbeing: Livelihood poverty and deprivation" chapter in "District Human Development Report Purulia"; Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; Completed 2011
- Co-Author: "Human Vulnerability: Gender and other Issues" chapter in "District Human Development Report Bardhaman"; Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; Completed 2009
- Joint Lead Coordinator: "District Human Development Report Bardhaman" Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; Completed 2016

Conference / Seminar / Workshop Organised

- 1. Convenor, **2nd Research Scholar Workshop**, Department of Economics, University of Burdwan, September 2007,
- 2. Convenor, **3rd Research Scholar Workshop**, Department of Economics, University of Burdwan, September 2009.
- 3. Organising Secretary, 4th International conference on the Issues of Development Economics (4th ECONference 2010), Department of Economics, Burdwan University, December 2010.
- 4. Convenor, **Six day Workshop on Research Methodology**, 2010, Department of Economics, Burdwan University, January, 2010.
- 5. Convenor, **4th Research Scholar Workshop**, Department of Economics, University of Burdwan, September 2011.

- 6. Convenor, **Time Series Econometrics Workshop**, 2011, Department of Economics, Burdwan university, April, 2011.(in collaboration with The Econometric Society)
- 7. Organising Secretary, International Conference on the Issues of Development Economics (6th ECONference 2013), Department of Economics, Burdwan University, Jan, 2013.
- 8. Convenor, International Conference on the "Issues on Development, Well being and Livelihood" (7th ECONference 2014), Department of Economics, Burdwan University, Jan, 2014.
- 9. Convenor, 5th **Research Scholar Workshop**, Department of Economics, University of Burdwan, November 2014.
- 10. Convenor, 7th **Research Scholar Workshop**, Department of Economics, University of Burdwan, February 2018.
- 11. Organising Secretary, International Conference on the Issues of Development Economics (10th **ECONference 2019**), Department of Economics, Burdwan University, March, 2019.

MPhils Dissertation done under my supervision:

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and health: A case study of Raniganj Coal Fields in West Bengal India	
'Performance of Women Entrepreneurs: An Investigative Study'.	

PhDs registered under my supervision:

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	2021
Food Security and Food Consumption Pattern: An Empirical Study in the Select	
Districts of West Bengal	2024
Livelihood strategy and Occupational diversification of Slum-Dwellers:AStudy	Ongoing
in Kolkata.	
Minespoil Reclamation in Raniganj Coalfields of West Bengal: An Assessment	
of its socio-economic impact and measurements.	

Invited Lectures/Resource Person/Conferences/Seminar Attended (since 2017):

• Delivered an invited lecture as Resource person on "Water use practices and willingness to pay for improved water supply" at the conference on "Problems and sustainability of surface and groundwater resources in Deltaic West Bengal' organized by Chandrapur College, Chandrapur, West Bengal. 17-18th, March, 2017.

- Presented a paper at the Two-day UGC-Sponsored Seminar on "Contemporary Issues on Development Economics" organized by Department of Economics, Rabindra Bharati University, 20-21st February, 2018.
- Presented a paper at the 10th ECONference organized by of the Department of Economics, The University of Burdwan on 'Contemporary Issues in Development' held during March 26-27, 2019.
- Presented a paper at the 61st Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics (ISLE) organized by The Centre for Development Economics and Innovation Studies, Punjabi University, Patiala during 7-9 December 2019.
- Invited as **Visiting Fellow** under **UGC-SAP, DRS-II Programme** at the Department of Economics and Politics, Viswa Bharati University during 3rd 7th February, 2020.
- Presented a paper at the 62nd Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics (ISLE) organized by Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Roorkee, Uttarakhand, 11-13th April 2022.
- Presented a paper at the ICSSR Sponsored two day International Conference organised by Department of Economics, Sidhu Kanho Birsha University on 6th -7th December,2022, Purulia.
- Presented a paper at the International Conference on 'Paradigm shift in Economics, Business practices and Sustainability' organised by Department of Economics and Commerce, Koshi College,11-12 November, 2022, Khagaria, Munger University, Munger, Bihar.
- Presented a paper at the Two day International Seminar on 'Climate change: Environment, Sustainability and application of Geospatial Technology' organized by Dept. of Geography, Prof Nurul Hasan College, Farakka ,Mursidabad on 18-19th January, 2023.
- Presented a paper at the International Conference on 'Sustainable Development and Management Practices' organized by IIT (Indian School of Mines), Dhanbad during 09-10th February,2024

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