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Teaching and Research Interests:

- International Trade: Theory and Policies
- Micro Economics
- Industrial Organisation
- Labour Market and Textile Industry

Teaching Experience :

- One year as a whole time lecturer against a lien vacancy in Vidyasagar College For Women, Kolkata.
- Twenty four years Five months (as on 1st January, 2026) as a Full Time faculty on a substantive basis at Women's Christian College, Kolkata (continuing).

- *Post-Graduate Teaching*

- I. Guest Faculty for the Post-Graduate course with specialization in International Economics at University of Calcutta, Kolkata, India (Continuing).
- II. Visiting Position in the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, Kolkata, India for March-April, 2024.
- III. Visiting Faculty for the Post-Graduate Course with specialization in International Trade and Finance at Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, India (2009-2011).

PUBLICATIONS (Recent First) :

- Books

- i. **South Asia and Climate Change: Unravelling the Conundrum** (2022), Eds. Mausumi Kar, Jayita Mukhopadhyay and Manisha Deb Sarkar, *Routledge*, UK (ISBN: 978-0-367-47812-4)
- ii. **Indian Textile and Clothing Industry : An Economic Analysis** (2015), *Springer*, India, UK (ISBN: 978-81-322-2369-6); E-Book ((ISBN 978-81-322-2370-6)

- [Peer Reviewed Journals and Working Papers](#)

- i. “Immunity-driven Comparative Advantage and its Palliative Effect on Social Health and Inequality – An Applied Theoretical Perspective” (2024) (with G. Das and S. Marjit) (Under Review); *Journal of Policy Modeling*, Elsevier
- ii. “Digital Banking Expansion and its Role in Augmenting Financial Inclusiveness: An Overview with Special Reference to India” (with A. Basu and S. Sengupta), *Indian Journal of Finance* (Forthcoming)
- iii. “The Impact of Immigration on Skills, Innovation and Wages: Education Matters More than Where People Come from” (2020) (with G. Das and S. Marjit), *Journal of Policy Modeling*, Vol. 42(3), pages 557-582.(Impact Factor 2.727), Elsevier.
- iv. “Skill, Innovation and Wage Inequality: Can Immigrants be the Trump Card?” (2019), (with G. Das and S. Marjit) *CESifo Working Paper Series* 7794, CESifo Group Munich.
- v. “Economic Integration and Trade Protection: Policy Issues for South- Asian Countries” (2018), *Contemporary Economic Policy*, Wiley, Vol. 36, Issue 1, pp.167-182. (ISSN: 1465-7287; Impact Factor – 0.905)
- vi. “Multi-Fibre Arrangement and Wage Inequality: Firm and State-level Evidence from India and a Theoretical Model” (2017), (With S. Kar), *The World Economy*, Wiley, Vol.40, Issue 7, pp.1473-93. (ISSN: 1467-9701; Impact Factor 1.229)
- vii. “Liberalised Trade Policy and Inequality: Evidence from Post-MFA India and Some Theoretical Issues” (2015), (With S.Kar) Working Paper no. 007, *UNU-WIDER Working Paper Series*. January.
- viii. “Indian Textile and Clothing Industry in the Post-MFA World: A Stronger Tiger with Fewer Nails” (2014), *The Management Accountant*, Volume 49, No.4, April. (ISSN 0972-3528)
- ix. “Modhyoprachhye Sontraasbader Punoruthhan – Ekti Arthonoitik Poryalochona” (2014), article published in *Arthabishleshon* (A Biannual Bengali Peer-Reviewed Journal in Economics), Vol.2, Issue 2. (ISSN 2321-1903)
- x. “Changes in the Structural Features of the Indian Cotton- Apparel Industry: A Review” (2013), *Arthabishleshon* (A Biannual Bengali Peer-Reviewed Journal in Economics), Vol.1, Issue 1. (ISSN 2321-1903)
- xi. “National and Global Aspects of India’s Textiles and Apparel Industry and Trade: An Overview” (2012), *South Asian Journal of Macroeconomics and Public Finance*, Sage, Vol.1, Issue 1. (ISSN 2277-9787)
- xii. “Tax System in Ancient India – An Analytical Review from the Modern Perspective” (2009), (With D.Chakraborty) *Journal of Asiatic Society*, Vol.LI, No.3. (ISSN 0368-3308)

- *Chapters in Books*

- i. “International Trade and Migration of Labour: New Evidence and Policies” (Forthcoming in 2026) (With S. Kar), in R. Acharyya and S. Marjit (Eds): **The Oxford Handbook of International Economics for Asia and the Global Economy, OUP**
- ii. “Inflation, Indexation and Real Wage of Non-Unionised Workers” (2024) (With S. Kar) in S. Marjit and B. Mandal (Eds): **International Trade, Resource Mobility and Adjustments in a Changing World ; Essays in Memory of Ronald W. Jones, Springer**, pp. 437-452 (ISBN: 978-981-97-5651-3)
- iii. “Service-trade Liberalization and Manufacturing Labour Productivity: Post-Reform
- iv.
- v. State-Level Evidence from India” (2021) in Rajesh Raj S. N. and K. Singha (Eds): **The Routledge Handbook of Post-Reform Indian Economy, Routledge**, pp. 184–198 (ISBN: 978-1-032-37457-4)
- vi. “Economic Integration and Trade” (2017) in C. Roy (Ed.): **International Trade and Inclusive Development**, New Academic Publishers, New Delhi,(ISBN: 978-81-86772-92-8)
- vii. “Multi-market Firms and Export Quota: Effects of Withdrawal of the Multi-Fiber Arrangement” (2015), (With S.Kar) in V. Mukherjee et. al. (Eds.): **Understanding Development: An Indian Perspective on Legal and Economic Policy, Springer**, New Delhi. (ISBN – 978-81-322-2454-9)
- viii. “The Multi Fibre Arrangement and South Asia”(2011),(With S.Kar) in S. Mansoob Murshed et al. (Eds.) **South-South Globalization: Challenges and Opportunities for Development, Routledge**, London (ISBN 978-0-415- 59217-8)

PRESENTATIONS(Recent First):

- i. Invited Speaker on ‘Climate Induced Migration: How much International trade is Culpable?’, at the **2025 Feng Chia Conference organized by Feng Chia University, Taiwan**, held on June13, 2025
- ii. Invited Speaker at the *Plenary Session* of the **2nd International Conference on Contemporary Issues in Economics**, organized by the School of Economics of XIM University, Bhubaneswar held on 19-20 February, 2025.
- iii. Invited as a **Distinguished Speaker** to deliver a session on ‘**Market Structure**’ at the **Capacity Building Workshop for Students and Aspiring Entrepreneurs** on 10th December, 2024 organised by the **Department of Economics, University of Calcutta**.
- iv. Delivered an invited seminar lecture (as a Resource Person) on **Immunity-driven Comparative Advantage and its Palliative Effect on Social Health and Inequality in**

- the Perspective of Contagion of Diseases** in the CSSSC-RBI Endowment **Short Course on Open Economy Macroeconomics** on 17th September, 2024.
- v. Delivered a Seminar Session on “**Immunity-driven Comparative Advantage and its Palliative Effect: – An Analytical Perspective in the Post-Pandemic Scenario.**” in the Department of Economics Seminar Series organised by IIFT Kolkata Campus on 22nd April, 2024.
 - vi. Delivered a Lecture (as an invited Resource Person) on “**South Asia and Climate Change: Some Issues of Concern**” in the *First Environmental Economics Workshop* organized by Victoria Institution (College) and ICSSR-ERC during 20th-22nd March, 2024.
 - vii. Delivered a Talk on “**The Promise of BIG DATA in Social Science Research**” in the *ICSSR- Sponsored Research Methodology Workshop* conducted by Centre for studies in Social Sciences Calcutta in collaboration with Women’s Christian College, Kolkata on 1st September, 2023.
 - viii. Delivered a talk as a Panelist in a virtual Panel Discussion on “**Classes Outside Classrooms: Perspectives and Experiences**” sponsored by *Women In Engineering(WIE), IEEE Kolkata Section in IEMENTech 2020 organised by Institute of Engineers and Management (IEM)* on 3rd October, 2020.
 - ix. Delivered a talk as a Panelist in a virtual Panel Discussion on “**Society and the Economy under the Onslaught of Corona**” sponsored by *Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR-ERC)* organized by *Society for Economic Research in Bengali* on 14th May, 2020
 - x. Invited and presented paper on, “**Service Trade Liberalization and Manufacturing Labour Productivity: Post Reform State Level Evidence from India**” at the *National Seminar on India after a Quarter Century of Economic Reforms-The Benefits and Costs*, held during 5-6 October 2018, organised by the Department of Economics, **Sikkim University**, Gangtok, Sikkim.
 - xi. Paper presented on “**Service Trade and Manufacturing Labour Productivity in India: State Level Evidences**”, in the *Research Retreat Seminar of CTRPFP*, organized on 3rd February, 2018 held at Mukutmanipur, West Bengal.
 - xii. Presented Paper on “**A Global Move Towards Freer Trade: A Comprehensive Study of the Impact on Indian Industry and Labour Market Scenario**” in the *20th Conference of Eurasian Business and Economic Society (EBES)* held during 28-30 September, 2016 at **Vienna, Austria**.
 - xiii. Paper Accepted for presentation at the **2016 Annual Conference of the Scottish Economic Society** held on 18-20 April, 2016 at Perth, Scotland. The title of the paper is “*SAFTA: An Alternative Policy of Protection and Augmentation of South- Asia’s Trade*”.
 - xiv. Presented Paper on “**Economic Integration and Trade**’ in the UGC sponsored National Level Seminar on *International Trade and Inclusive Development: Emerging Issues and Enlarging Debates* organized by Dept. of Economics, Kaliyagunj College on 21- 22 January, 2016.

- xv. Presented Paper in *12th International Conference organized by Western Economic Association International held at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore* during 7-10 January, 2016. The title of the paper is **“Economic Integration and Trade: Revisiting India’s Sectoral Performance”**.
- xvi. Presented Paper on **“Implications of Liberalized Trade Policy on Labour Income: Evidence from Post-MFA India and Some Theoretical Issues”** in the Fourth IIFT Conference (International) on *Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance organized by Indian Institute in Foreign Trade (IIFT), New Delhi on December 18-19, 2014*.
- xvii. Paper accepted for presentation in *11th Annual TEPP Conference on “ Territories, Spaces and Public Policies”* organized by the Nantes- Atlantique’s Laboratory of Economics and Management held at the University of Nantes, France on 25-26 September 2014. The title of the paper is *“Trade Policy and Regional Disparity: Evidence from Post-MFA India and a Theoretical Model”*.
- xviii. Presented Paper in *UNU- WIDER Conference on “ Inequality – Measurement, Trends, Impacts and Policies”* held on 5-6 September, 2014 at **Helsinki, Finland**. The title of the paper is **“Liberalized Trade Policy and Inequality: Evidence from Post-MFA India and Some Theoretical Issues”**.
- xix. Paper accepted for presentation in ‘ Nordic Conference on Development Economics’ organized by United Nations University (UNU) and World Institute of Development Economics Research (WIDER) held on June, 2014 at Helsinki, Finland.
- xx. Presented a paper on **“Trade Policy and the Labour Market: Evidence from Post-MFA India”** in the *UGC-sponsored Seminar on ‘Contemporary Issues on Development Economics’* organized by Department of Economics, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata during March 11-12, 2014.
- xxi. Presented a paper on **“Tax System in Ancient India: A Modern Perspective”** in the *Research-Retreat Seminar on Public Policies organized by the Centre for Research in Public Finance and Policies (CTRPFP)* held on March 1-2, 2014 at Itachuna, Burdwan.
- xxii. Presented a paper on **“International Competitiveness of Textile and Apparel Exports of India in the Changing Global Context”** in an *International Conference on ‘Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance’* organized jointly by **Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)** and **The Centre for WTO Studies** on December 23-24, 2008 at Kolkata..

ORGANISATION OF SEMINAR/ WORKSHOP/ ACADEMIC PROGRAMS:

- Convened, in the capacity of the **Organising Secretary**, **Ten Days Research Methodology Workshop on “Doing Cultural Studies: Thinking Across Disciplines” (National Level)** organized jointly by Women’s Christian College, Kolkata in Collaboration with Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta,

from 22nd August – 1st September, 2023 with the financial support from ICSSR, New Delhi.

- Convened, jointly in the capacity of an Additional **Academic Coordinator**, an **International Seminar on “Issues in Development and Inequality”** in honour of Prof. Soumyen Sikdar on 27th July, 2023 organised by Department of Economics, University of Calcutta with the financial support from ICSSR-ERC.
- Convened the *Annual Arthabishleshon Workshop* entitled “An International Webinar on Indian economy in the Post-Pandemic Era” organised by Department of Economics, Women’s Christian College, in collaboration with Society for Economic Research in Bengali on 12th March, 2022.
- Convened and Organized two successive One Day Workshops on “Benefits of Choosing Economics as a Career Option” at Women’s Christian College, on 6th February, 2017 and 30th October, 2017.
- Convener of One-Day National Level Seminar on “**Competition and Competitiveness in Indian Industries after Two Decades of Economic Reforms**” organised by Department of Economics, Women’s Christian College, in collaboration with Centre For Studies In Social Sciences, Calcutta held on 2nd April, 2012.
- Organised the Two Day Summer School on “Benefits of Choosing Economics as a Career Option” at Women’s Christian College, on 19-20 May, 2011.
- **Convener of a regular discourse of Academic Discussion “Arthabishleshoner Adda”** (A popular chat show organized by Society for Economic Research in Bengali, aired as a Facebook Live Program) on prominent and contemporary economic, political and social issues worldwide.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE:

- i. **Chaired a Technical Session in the CSSSC (RBI Endowment) -STAREBS Colloquium, 2026 on ‘Advances in Computational Economics, International Trade and Development Macroeconomics’** held at CASSC, Kolkata during 14-15 May, 2026.
- ii. **Chaired a Technical Session** on on “Social Implications in the context of Vulnerability of Elderly Population” in the **ICSSR-Sponsored One-Day National Seminar on “Enhancing Quality of Life and Addressing Vulnerability Issues among India's Elderly Population”** on December 14, 2024 organised by St. Xavier’s College (Autonomous) Kolkata.
- iii. Acted as an Invited Expert for **Value Chain Analysis Workshop & Interactive Sessions** organized by *Empowering Women Globally*, in collaboration with *ALSISAR*

Impact, Caterfly, Bradley University, and the University of Calcutta on 3rd September 2024, at the University of Calcutta, Alipore Campus.

- iv. **Associate Editor** (Member of the Editorial Board) of the Annual Journal of Economics in Bengali, 'ARTHABISHLESHON' (Enlisted and Approved by UGC).
- v. **Chaired a Technical Session on** Issues on Trade and Development in the International Economics and Finance Conference, **FINECON, 2019, organized by IMI, Kolkata.**
- vi. Acted as the Judge in the Annual Economics Summits 'CONFLUENCE' organized by the Department of Economics, St. Xavier's College, Kolkata, for the last eight consecutive years.
- vii. Acted as Judge in the Annual Students' Meet, 'ECOLORE' organized by the Department of Economics, Loreto College, Kolkata, in the last five consecutive years.
- viii. Frequent contributors of the columns published often in 'Ei Samay' (popular bengali newspaper published by the Times group) as op-ed.
- ix. Interview published on "**India, Southeast Asia Focus on the Asian textile Industry**" in a Japanese newspaper published by NNA ASIA.

COMPLETED RESEARCH PROJECT:

Successfully completed the **ICSSR-sponsored Research Project** on "*Digital Banking: An Assessment of Financial Inclusivity in Indian Sundarbans*" in the capacity of a **Project Director** in collaboration with Diamond Harbour Women's University, South 24Pgs, West Bengal.

PEER REVIEWER :

Associated with the following prestigious Journals and Publishing Houses as a Peer Reviewer –

- i. Oxford University Press
- ii. Springer
- iii. Sage Publications
- iv. Routledge
- v. International Trade Journal (Published by Taylor and Francis Group)
- vi. Journal of Quantitative Economics (Published by Springer)
- vii. Empirical Economics (Published by Springer)
- viii. PUBLON Indexed Reviewer

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