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EDUCATION

Apr 2012 – Jul 2016

PhD (Economics), Georg-August Universität, Göttingen, Germany

Thesis: Multidimensional Perspectives on Poverty

Supervisors: Prof. Stephan Klasen, Prof. Dr. Holger Strulik, Associate Prof. Jenny Aker

Jul 2009 - Sept 2011

Masters of Arts (Economics), Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, India

Thesis: “Evaluating Poverty Lines with emphasis on the Indian Poverty Line- a critical analysis.”

Jul 2006 - May 2009

Bachelors of Arts in Economics (Honours), Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi, Delhi, India

Apr 1991- Mar 2006

Higher Secondary School (Distinction), Carmel Convent School, New Delhi, India

WORK EXPERIENCE & INTERNSHIPS

Postdoctoral Researcher, Georg August Universität, Göttingen, Germany **Jun 2016- present**

- **Research:** Part of Growth Opportunities for Women (GrOW) Project team, focusing on women’s empowerment and economic growth and development.
 - Project 1: Women’s political participation and female labour force participation
 - Project 2: Systematic review of the impact of women’s empowerment on child development outcomes
- **Teaching:** Development Economics III, Introduction to Development Economics, Allgemeine Steuerlehre, Einführung in die Finanzwissenschaften

Research Associate, Georg August Universität, Göttingen, Germany **Apr 2012 - Present**

- **Research:** Poverty Analysis and Measurement, FDI, culture and TFP impact on growth, Cash Transfer schemes and poverty measurement
- **Teaching:** Development Economics III, Development Economics II, Economic Reform and Social Justice in India, Poverty and Inequality, Gender, Institutions and Development, Advanced Development Economics

Research Assistant, IRADe, New Delhi, India **Nov 2011- Apr 2012**

- Project evaluating the current state of electrification in 5 states in India, under a government scheme with the target of universal rural electrification.
- Project examining the need for decontrolling Diesel prices in India and its impact on long term and short term inflation, involving investigation that was presented to NGOs and government officials.

Research Intern, Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi, India **Feb - Apr 2011**

- Analysis of use of contraceptive methods within the Indian population using DLHS and NFHS nationwide data.

Research Intern, KCCI UNICEF India Internship 2010, India**Jun - Jul 2010**

- Published report analysing the extent of government services in urban Delhi slums through a scheme for mother and child welfare, involving fieldwork and primary data collection via surveys, interviews and interaction with the communities and government authorities.

Research Intern, Institute of Applied Management Research, India**May - Jun 2010**

- Evaluated several Government Flagship Programmes and assessed their efficacy after their evaluation in the 2001 National Human Development Report.

Field Researcher, Delhi School of Economics, New Delhi, India**Oct - Nov 2008**

- Field Research in New Delhi wherein analysis of consumer and retailer survey responses help identify the existing level of awareness of the use of plastic bags and weigh the impact of suggested interventions to reduce the prevalence in the city.

PUBLICATIONS & WORKS IN PROGRESS

Pasha, A. (2017). Regional Perspectives on the Multidimensional Poverty Index. *World Development*, 94, 268–285. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2017.01.013>

Sharma, S. and Pasha, A. (2011), “*Are Muslim Women Behind in their Knowledge and Use of Contraception in India?*”, *Journal of Public Health and Epidemiology*, Vol. 3(13), pp. 632-641

Sharma, S., and Pasha, A. (2011), “*Degree of Pervasiveness of Traditional Contraception in Indian Women.*”, *Shodh Prerak*, Vol. 1(2), pp. 158

Sharma S. and Pasha A. (2012), “*Impact of Education on the Contraceptive Choices of Indian Women*”, *Indian Journal of Population Education*, Vol. 58, pp. 26-41

Chaudhury, N., Jagati, A., Joseph, N. and Pasha, A. (2010) “*Complications at Birth: The Janani Suraksha Yojana in Delhi's Resettlement Colonies*”, KCCI / 2010 – 03, Case study under Knowledge Community on Children Internship in India, UNICEF

Pasha, A. (2015), “*Impact of Cash Grants on Multidimensional Poverty in South Africa*”, Courant Research Centre: Poverty, Equity and Growth - Discussion Papers 208

Pasha, A., Klasen, S. “*The link between subjective wellbeing and multidimensional wellbeing in South Africa*”. Accessible at: <http://hdl.handle.net/11858/00-1735-0000-002B-7C38-7>

CONFERENCES

- Centre for the Study of African Economies 2017 Conference, Oxford, 2017
- 11th Poverty Reduction, Equity and Growth Network (PEGNet) Conference, Kigali, 2016
- Human Development and Capabilities Association Conference, Tokyo, 2016
- 21st Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Lisbon, 2016
- 11th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, New Delhi, 2015
- Human Development and Capabilities Association Conference, Washington DC, 2015
- Globalization and Development 2015, Göttingen, 2015
- AEL Development Economics PhD Colloquium 2014, Göttingen, 2014
- 9th Poverty Reduction, Equity and Growth Network (PEGNet) Conference, Lusaka, 2014
- 14th EADI General Conference, Bonn, 2014
- Second Conference on Measuring Human Progress, UNDP, New York, 2013
- 33rd Annual Conference, Indian Association for the Study of Population (IASP), Lucknow, 2011

PROJECT RELATED ACTIVITIES

Project Member, G2E (Growth to Empowerment) **June 2016 to present**

- Project of the GrOW initiative: Understanding the links between women's economic empowerment and growth. Deliver new insights on the linkage between economic growth and structural change and women's economic empowerment.
- Part of the proposal writing team that was rewarded this project in November 2015

Short Term Consultant, United Nations Development Programme **January 2014**

- Evaluating the new Multidimensional Poverty Index proposed by the UNDP for 7 countries, involving a detailed appraisal of the Stata do-files. Final report provided suggestions on improvements of the definitions and coding of the indicators involved within the MPI

Project Member, Alternative Poverty Measures **October 2012 to April 2014**

- Joint project with the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative, and funded by the German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development involving work on the Multidimensional Poverty Index.

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- DAAD New Passage to India Scholarship (Awarded) for exchange semester to Germany
- EIC Scholarship by the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung for 5 months exchange semester to Germany

STUDY & RESEARCH STAYS ABROAD

Teaching Exchange Programme, Stellenbosch University, South Africa **Feb - Mar 2014**

- Two month teaching Exchange with the Department of Economics, with Professor Servaas van der Berg

10th NIPE Summer School, University of Minho, Portugal **June 2013**

- Summer School on Discrete Choice Modelling with Professor William Greene, NYU

Exchange Semester, Georg-August Universität, Göttingen, Germany **Apr - Sep 2011**

- Five month as exchange semester for Master of International Economics

SOFTWARE SKILLS

- **Proficient:** STATA, Microsoft Office tools and equivalent (LibreOffice), Zotero
- **Intermediate:** R, SPSS (Statistics Program), LaTeX

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LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

- **Hindi:** Mother tongue
- **English:** fluent, entire education in English, TOEFL: 114/120 (October 2010)
- **Urdu:** fluent speaking, good command at reading and writing
- **German:** Fluent speaking, good command at reading and writing, level C1
- **Punjabi:** Fluent speaking
- **French:** Basic speaking, reading and writing, level A1