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Positions

Associate Director (Academic Office) and Associate Professor,
Azim Premji University, Bangalore (present)

Visiting Professor, University of Western Australia, Perth (Nov-Dec 2019)

PODER fellow at Université de Namur (2014-15)

Education

PhD in Economics, University of Cambridge (2012-16)

MPhil in Economic Research, University of Cambridge (2011-12)

Graduate Diploma in Economics, University of Cambridge (2010-11)

B.Tech Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (2001-05)

Previous employment

Manufacturing Manager, Hindustan Unilever Limited, India (2006-09)

Business Leadership Trainee, Hindustan Unilever Limited, India (2005-06)

Publications

Peer reviewed journal articles

'Religious riots and electoral politics in India', with Sriya Iyer, 2018, *Journal of Development Economics*, 131, 104-122. - [link](#)

'Culture and colonial legacy: Evidence from public goods games' with Latika Chaudhary, Sriya Iyer and Jared Rubin, 2020, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 173, 107-129 - [link](#)

'Supply variabilities in public workfares', with Girish Bahal, 2021, *Journal of Development Economics*, 150 - [link](#)

'Fiscal transfers and inflation: Evidence from India' With Girish Bahal, 2022, *Empirical Economics* - [link](#)

'How comparable are India's labour market surveys?' With Rosa Abraham, 2022, *Indian Journal of Labour Economics* - [link](#)

'Religion, Covid-19 and mental health' With Girish Bahal, Sriya Iyer and Kishen Shastry, 2023, *European Economic Review*, 160 - [link](#)

'Social networks and experienced inequality' With Sai Madhurika Mamunuru and Arjun Jayadev, 2025, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 229 - [link](#)

Reports and Book Chapters

'State of working India' with Amit Basole, Arun Jayadev and Rosa Abraham, 2018, Centre for Sustainable Employment, Azim Premji University - [link](#)

'What do Household Surveys Reveal about Employment in India since 2016?' With Rosa Abraham and Amit Basole, in State of Working India, 2019, Centre for Sustainable Employment, Azim Premji University - [link](#)

'State of working India 2021: One year of Covid-19' With Amit Basole, Rosa Abraham, Rahul Lahoti, Surbhi Kesar, Mrinalini Jha, Paaritosh Nath, Radhicka Kapoor, S Nelson Mandela, Zico Dasgupta, Gaurav Gupta and Rajendran Narayanan

'State of working India 2023: Social identities and labour market outcomes' With Amit Basole, Rosa Abraham, Angarika Rakshit, R. Vijayamba and Tamoghna Halder

'Religion and Employment in India' With Girish Bahal, Ujaan Chandra and Sriya Iyer, in ed. Farhana Ibrahim, *Studies in Religion and the Everyday*. 2024. Oxford University Press.

Others

'Why behavioural economics will not save the world', 2017, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol LII, No. 46. - [link](#)

'An argument without any basis', 2012, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol XLVII, No. 38. - [link](#)

Online

'Holy Wars? Temple desecrations in Medieval India', 2017, *Ideas for India* - [link](#)

'Economic Development and Maoist Insurgency', 2015, *Ideas for India* - [link](#)

Working papers

'Economic shocks and temple desecrations in medieval India' With Sriya Iyer and Rohit Ticku- [link](#)

'Civil conflict with rising wages and increasing state capacity: Theory and application to the Maoist insurgency in India' - [link](#)

Grants

Keynes Fund, University of Cambridge, for Covid-19 and Religion, 2020-21

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation IWWAGE grant for the India Working Survey, 2019-20, With Rahul Lahoti, Rosa Abraham, Amit Basole, Hema Swaminathan, Deepti Goel and Girish Bahal.

Other activities

Co-organiser for the Advanced Graduate Workshop for Globalisation, Poverty and Development in Bangalore, 2018, 2019 and 2022.

Programme coordinator for the undergraduate programme at School of Arts and Sciences Azim Premji University from 2018-19

Placement coordinator for the undergraduate programme at APU, 2017-18

Referee for World Development, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, European Journal of Political Economy, the Economics of Peace and Security Journal, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Journal of Globalization and Development, PloSOne, Politics and Religion.

Co-organised the Political Economy Reading Group at Faculty of Economics, Cambridge

Awards

PODER research fellowship from the European Commission	2014-15
Gates Cambridge Scholarship (for PhD in Economics)	2012– 15
Cambridge International Scholarship (for PhD in Economics, declined)	2012
Claydon Prize at St. Edmunds College (academic performance in MPhil)	2012
Gates Cambridge Scholarship (for MPhil in Economic Research)	2011–12
Stevenson Prize at Faculty of Economics (academic performance in Diploma)	2011
Claydon Prize at St. Edmunds College (academic performance in Diploma)	2011
Inlaks Scholarship (for Diploma in Economics at Cambridge)	2010–11
Institute Merit Prize at IIT Madras	2003
National Talent Search Examination Scholarship	1999
National Scholarship, Government of West Bengal	1999

Selected conference presentations

Invited seminar, IIM, Bangalore	2023
SAMVAAD seminar, online	2022
Microeconomics Revolutions Workshop, Santa Fe Institute	2022
Research seminar, University of Western Australia	2019
Dynamics of Complex Systems workshop, ICTS, Bangalore	2019
Political Economy Workshop, IIM, Bangalore	2017
International Economics Association World Congress, Mexico	2017
Invited seminar, Delhi School of Economics	2017
Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, ISI Delhi	2016
Political economy workshop, University of Cambridge	2015
India research group workshop, Paris School of Economics	2015
ASREC annual conference, Boston	2015
Doctoral workshop, Université catholique de Louvain	2015
European Public Choice Society Annual Conference, Cambridge	2014
International Economic Association World Congress, Amman, Jordan	2014
Barcelona Summer Forum, GSE Barcelona	2014
PODER Summer School, University of Cape Town	2014
Oxford Development Economics Workshop, Oxford University	2014
Doctoral workshop, University of Namur	2014

