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Educational Qualifications:

MA (Geography), Delhi School of Economics
PG Diploma (Urban & Regional Planning), CEPT University
Ph D. (Development Economics), Gujarat University

Areas of Research Interest:

Regional Economics, Labour Economics and Agricultural Economics.

Selected Publications:

Journal Articles

1. "Growth of a Regional Economy: Perspectives for Human Resource Development" *Indian Journal of Public Audit & Accountability*, July 2007, with SP Kashyap. Forthcoming.
2. "Institutionalizing an Innovative Approach towards Agricultural Development" *Anvesak*, 37(1), January-June, 2007 with Anita Arya.
3. "Employment Availability for Hired Workers: A Comparative Study of Two Villages" *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, 49(3), July-September, 2006.
4. "Imbalances in Development between Regions and Social Groups: Evidences from Gujarat" *Anvesak*, 36(1), January-June, 2006.
Paper available at <http://ssrn.com/abstract=907253>.
5. "An Approach towards Identifying Sunrise Industries: A Regional Perspective". *Manpower Journal*, Special Issue on Rural Non- Farm Sector, 38(2 & 3), July-December, 2002 with SP Kashyap.
6. "Agricultural Development in Gujarat: Problems and Prospects". *Economic & Political Weekly*, 35(35 & 36), 2000 with SP Kashyap.
7. "Ongoing Changes in Policy Environment & Farm Sector in India: Role of Agro-Climatic Regional Planning Approach". *Economic & Political Weekly*, 34(26), 1999, with SP Kashyap.
8. "Irrigation Development and Allocation to Crops Across Major States of India". *Anvesak*, 28(2), July-Dec, 1998 .
9. "Employment Trends in Agro-climatic Resource Regions". *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, 38(2), April-June, 1995.

10. "Spatial Analysis of Agro-processing Industries in India". *Anvesak*, 24(2), July-Dec, 1994 with GS Guha.

Articles in Books

1. "Rural Non-Farm Sector in Gujarat: Growth and Emerging Nature" in Rohini Nayyar & Alakh N Sharma (ed) *Rural Transformation in India- The Role of Non-farm Sector*, Institute of Human Development, New Delhi, Manohar Publishers & Distributors (2005) with SP Kashyap.
2. "Output, Employment and Poverty issues in context of ACRP" in *Growth, Employment and Poverty* (ed) Alakh K Sharma & GK Chadha. New Delhi, Indian Society of Labour Economics (1997) with GS Guha.
3. "Planning for Globalization & Sustainability: ACRP as an Alternative Paradigm" in *Indian Economy Update*, Vol III. (ed) Uma Kapila & Raj Kapila. Delhi, Academic Foundation (1996) with GS Guha et.al.
4. "Agro-processing Potential in Agro-climatic Regions" in *Agro-climatic Regional Planning in India*, Vol II (ed) DN Basu & SP Kashyap. New Delhi, Concept Publishing Co (1996) with GS Guha.

Project Related Work & Working Papers

1. "Child Labour in India: Extent and Some Dimensions" *Paper presented at National Workshop on Socio-Economic Issues of Child Labour* at Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad on March 16-17, 2007.
Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=996574>
2. "Gujarat 2020: Viewpoints & A Vision" Keynote Paper submitted for the Annual Conference of Gujarat Economic Association to be held in January 2007 at Bhavnagar University, Gujarat, December 2006.
Available at http://www.gdnet.org/fulltext/1172572424_GEA-keynote.pdf
3. "Performance of Agriculture in Gujarat: Some Recent Evidence".
Paper presented at the National Seminar on Agricultural Growth in the Post Reform Period: Regional Perspectives, March 2006, Giri Institute of Development Studies, Lucknow.
Paper available at http://www.gdnet.org/fulltext/1165051149_Gujarat_agri.pdf
4. "The Economic Condition of Hired Workers: Comparison between an Agriculturally Developed vs. Rainfed Village in Gujarat" Project Report submitted to Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad, 2005.

5. “Economic Upliftment and Opportunities for Escaping Poverty Amongst Tribal Unorganised Workers in Gujarat” Project Report submitted to Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad, 2005.
6. Principal Researcher in the UNDP funded Project on “Programmes & Policy Support for Women Agriculturalists in Gujarat”, 2004.
7. “Agricultural Development Strategy for the Eastern Region”, *ARPU Technical Paper No. 33*, Submitted to the Planning Commission, New Delhi. 1999.
8. “Landuse Planning in context of Agro-climatic subregions”. *ARPU Technical Paper No.30*, Ahmedabad. 1998.
9. “A Decadal Growth of Gujarat’s Agriculture and Perspective”. *ARPU Technical Paper No. 28*, Ahmedabad, 1997.
10. “Agro-processing Potential in Selected Zones”. *ARPU Technical Paper No. 22*, Ahmedabad, 1993.

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