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## Fields of Research Interest

Development Economics, Experimental Economics, Political Economy

## Education

Ph.D Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, 2009-present

M.A. Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, 2008

B.A. Economics, Lady Shri Ram College, University of Delhi, 2006

## Publications

Entrepreneurship or Survival: Caste and Gender of Small Business in India, *Economic & Political Weekly*, Vol. XLVIII, No. 28, July 13, 2013, pp.38-49 (with Ashwini Deshpande)

Benefits of a Registration Policy for Microenterprise Performance in India, *Small Business Economics*, forthcoming

## Working Papers

Hate Crimes in India: An Economic Analysis of Violence and Atrocities against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, CDE-DSE Working Paper No. 213

Gender and Distributive Choice: Experimental Evidence from India

Victimization of the Adivasi Community in Contemporary India, Council for Social Development, Hyderabad (invited paper prepared for the Adivasi Rights Programme)

## Work in Progress

Caste and self-employment in India: What does the earnings gap tell us? (with Ashwini Deshpande)

How do better-ranked colleges help meet India's skill shortage? Evidence using a regression discontinuity design (with Utteyo Dasgupta, Subha Mani & Saurabh Singhal)

## Research Assistance

Prof. Ashwini Deshpande, 2010

Prof. Ashwini Deshpande and Prof. Thomas Weisskopf, 2009-2010

## Honours, Fellowships & Grants

Ph.D Intern, UNU-WIDER, Helsinki (scheduled April 1-June 30, 2014)  
International Growth Center-India Central (Co-Investigator; with PI Subha Mani) (\$15,500), 2013  
Doctoral Student Research Fellowship, Centre for Development Economics, DSE, 2012-2014  
SAP Fieldwork funding, University Grants Commission, 2012-2013  
SAP Fieldwork funding, University Grants Commission, 2011-2012

## Presentations

Winter School, Delhi School of Economics, December 2013  
Symposium on Economic Experiments in Developing Countries, NHH, December 2013  
Bay Area Behavioral & Experimental Economics Workshop, University of San Francisco, May 2013  
ASREC Annual Conference, Washington DC, April 2013  
Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PACDEV), San Francisco State University, March 2013  
Group Conflict Workshop, Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz, February 2013  
Western Economic Association International, San Francisco, July 2012  
ISNIE Conference, Los Angeles, June 2012  
IRES Graduate Students Workshop, Chapman University, California, June 2012  
Doctoral Students Workshop, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi, March 2012  
CESP Young Scholars Seminar, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, March 2012  
Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy, University of Warwick, July 2010

## Professional Activities

Referee: *Small Business Economics*, *Lahore Journal of Economics*

## References

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