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EDUCATION

Centre for International Trade and Development, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Ph.D. in Economics 2020

Thesis topic: Quality vs Quantity of Human Capital Formation: Distance to Frontier, Growth and Convergence.

M.Phil in Economics 2014

Dissertation topic: Impact of Strengthening Intellectual Property Rights on Income Inequality in Developing Countries: An Econometric Analysis

University of Hyderabad

Masters in Economics 2010

Ramjas College, University of Delhi

Bachelors in Arts (Honors) in Economics 2008

EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor in Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi *October 2025-present*

Assistant Professor in Economics *December, 2020-September, 2025*

Courses Taught: Macroeconomics, Natural Resource Economics

Visiting Faculty, Indian Institute of Management, Rohtak *February- April 2024*

Taught Microeconomics-II in the Five-year Integrated Programme in Management

Assistant Professor in Economics, Dyal Singh College, University of Delhi *2012-2020*

Courses Taught: Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Introductory Econometrics, Mathematical Methods for Economics, Public Economics

Research Analyst, Institute of Economic Growth, University of Delhi *2010-2011*

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Member, Organizing Committee, CDE-DSE-Econometric Society Winter School, 2024

Member, Organizing Committee, CDE-DSE-Econometric Society Winter School, 2023

PUBLICATIONS

- **Saini, Swati** and Yashobanta Parida. “Do Natural Disasters translate into Trade Disasters?” *International Economics* 182 (2025):100581
- **Saini, Swati**, and Meeta Keswani Mehra. “Quality of Schooling, Fertility and Economic Growth.” *Review of Economic Analysis* 16, no. 2 (2024): 175-220.
- Parida, Yashobanta, Joyita Roy Chowdhury, **Swati Saini**, and Devi Prasad Dash. “Role of income and government responsiveness in reducing the death toll from floods in Indian states.” *Scientific Reports* 12, no. 1 (2022):16978.
- Jena, Devasmita, and **Swati Saini**. “The impact of trade with ASEAN on India’s employment in industrial sector.” *Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy* (2021): 1-23.
- Parida, Yashobanta, **Swati Saini**, and Joyita Roy Chowdhury. “Economic growth in the aftermath of floods in Indian states.” *Environment, Development and Sustainability* (2021): 535-561.
- Parida, Yashobanta, **Swati Saini**, Prarthna Agarwal Goel, and Prakash Kumar Sahoo. “Role of economic development and the government on flood impact in India.” *International Journal of Emergency Management* 16, no. 3 (2020): 213-230.
- Keswani Mehra, Meeta, and **Swati Saini**. “Implications of Quality of Schooling on Economic Growth and Convergence—A System Dynamics Perspective.” *Global Economic Review* 49, no. 1 (2020): 97-126.

- **Saini, Swati**, and Meeta Mehra. “Impact of strengthening Intellectual Property Rights Regime on income inequality: An Econometric Analysis”. *Economics Bulletin* 38, no. 4 (2018): 1703-1719.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- ‘Forest cover loss and human capital outcomes: Evidence from Indian districts.’
- ‘Wildfires and Women Policymakers’, with Yashobanta Parida.

ARTICLES IN PRINT MEDIA

- “Weather woes add to farmer-suicide cases”, *Hindu Business Line*, 13 February, 2020 (with Yashobanta Parida).
- “Education needs extra attention now”, *Hindu Business Line*, 27 August, 2020 (with Devasmita Jena).
- “Act East, court West: Trade agreements with the EU and US cannot be a substitute for close ties with our Eastern trade partners”, *Financial Express*, 24 December, 2020 (with Devasmita Jena).

SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- MMTTC-SRCC’s Third Faculty Induction Programme, Guru Dakshita (Theme:Higher education and society), June 4, 2025,(Role: Guest Resource Person).
- 7th SANEM Annual Economists’ Conference, Dhaka, Bangladesh, February 23-25, 2024.
- CESP Golden Jubilee Conference, Centre for Economic and Social Planning, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, December 10-13, 2023.
- 8th Conference on ”Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance”, IIFT, New Delhi December 15-16, 2022
- 4th International Conference on South Asian Economic Development, South Asian University, New Delhi, India, February 22-23, 2018.
- IMR Doctoral Conference, Indian Institute of Management, Bengaluru, India, January 3-4, 2018.
- DAAD workshop on “Comparative Economic Development Issues”, Centre for International Trade and Development, SIS, JNU, New Delhi, December 4-8, 2017.
- CoRe: IGIDR PhD Colloquium, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, India, November 7-10, 2017.
- XXVth Annual Conference on Contemporary Issues in Development Economics, Department of Economics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, India, December 22-23, 2015.
- IGC India Summer School, ISI, New Delhi, July 16-20 2015.

REFERRING

- Economic Modelling, Ecology, Economy and Society – the INSEE Journal, *Indian Economic Review*, *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*, *Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy*, *Journal of South Asian Development*, *The Journal of Economic Inequality*
- Goa State Research Foundation Minor Research Grant

PH.D STUDENT SUPERVISION

2022: Pragya Jain (co-supervision; ongoing)
2023: Priya Kumari (ongoing)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member: Indian Economic Association
Review Editor: *Frontiers in Climate*

LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

Languages: Hindi (Native) , English (Fluent)
Skills: Stata, R(basic), L^AT_EX, VENSIM