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Professor & Acting Director



Educational Qualification:

Ph.D. (Economics), Gujarat University, Ahmedabad

P.G. Diploma (Urban & Regional Planning), School of Planning, CEPT University

M.A. (Geography), Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi

Area of Research Interest:

Regional Economics, Labour Economics and Agricultural Economics.

Selected Publications:

Books/Monographs:

1. **Dynamics of Labour Use and Role of Genetically Modified Crops in Cotton Cultivation 2019.** Academic Foundation, ISBN 9789332704930.
2. **Rural Transformation in the Post Liberalisation Period in Gujarat: Economic and Social Consequences 2018.** Springer-Nature (Palgrave-Macmillan), ISBN 9789811089619.
3. **Role of Public Policy in Development Process: Emerging Socioeconomic Scenario, 2018.** Academic Foundation, New Delhi. Co-Editor. ISBN 9789332704213.
4. **District Human Development Report - Sabarkantha (Gujarat), 2015.** Gujarat Social Infrastructure Development Society (GAD, GoG), Government Central Press, Gandhinagar, Co-author.
5. **Developments in Agriculture: A Comparative Analysis of the Growth Components across Two States, 2011.** Allied Publishers Pvt Ltd., Delhi. ISBN 9788184246940. SPIESR, Monograph No.27.
6. **Economic Wellbeing of Hired Workers in a Growing Regional Economy, 2010.** VDM Verlag Dr. Müller Aktiengesellschaft & Co. KG, Germany. ISBN 9783639268461.

Research Articles:

1. "Class Matters?: Exploring the Trends in Female Workforce Participation in India after 2004-05", *SPIESR Working Paper No. 23*, September 2017. Co-author.
2. "Relationship between Farm and Allied Non-Farm Sectors - Issues Relating to Linkages and Future of Agriculture" Indicative Outline for the 77th Conference of ISAE, 2017, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 72, No.2 April-June, 2017. Rapporteurs Report, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Conference Issue, Vol. 72, No. 3, July-September, 2017.
3. "Dynamics of Change in the Employment and Enterprise Structure of Gujarat", *SPIESR Working Paper No. 21*, January 2016.
4. "Changing Inter-Sectoral Linkages: Role of Technology Adoption in Agricultural Growth", *Agricultural Economics Research Review*, Vol. 28 (Conference Number), 2015, pp. 35-46.
5. "Employability of Rural Labour in the Neo-liberal Era: A Study of Gujarat". *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, 56 (2), April-June, 2013.
6. "An Investigation into Growth, Instability and Role of Weather in Gujarat Agriculture: 1981-2011". *Agricultural Economics Research Review*, 26 (Conference Number), 2013.

7. "Resource-based Planning: Prerequisites for Decentralized Development". *IASSI Quarterly*. 31(2), April-June, 2012.
8. "Food Security Aspects and Diversification of Demand in the Context of Gujarat", *Anvesak*, 42 (1&2), Jan-Dec, 2012.
9. "Performance of Crop Sector in Gujarat during the High Growth Period: Some Explorations". *Agricultural Economics Research Review*. 25(2), July-December, 2012.
10. "Productivity and Resource Structure: Underlying Dimensions of Agricultural Development". *SPIESR Working Paper No. 11*, September, 2012.
11. "Performance of Gujarat Economy: An Analysis of the Instability Aspect", *SPIESR Working Paper No.7*, November 2011. Co-author. Accepted at <http://mpra.ub.uni-muenchen.de/35712/>
12. "Liberalized Era and Technical Efficiency in Agriculture: Variations in Gujarat and West Bengal", *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 66 (2), April-June, 2011.
13. "Trade Liberalization and Farm Sector in India: Emerging Scenario", *Anvesak*, 40 (1&2), January- December, 2010.
14. "Female Employment in India: Trends and Underlying Processes in the Era of Reforms", *SPIESR Working Paper No.3*, September 2010.
15. "Some Aspects of Employment and Wellbeing of Farm Labour Households: Evidences from Gujarat" *Anvesak*, 39(2), July-December 2009.
16. "Rural Poverty in India: Government Efforts and Other Determinants" *Indian Journal of Public Audit & Accountability*, II (3), July-September, 2008 & II (4), October-December, 2008. Co-author.
17. "Non-Farm Sector in India: Temporal and Spatial Aspects", *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, Conference Issue, 50(4), October-December, 2007. Co-author.
18. "Growth of a Regional Economy: Perspectives for Human Resource Development" *Indian Journal of Public Audit & Accountability*, 1(2), April-June 2007. Co-author.
19. "Institutionalizing an Innovative Approach towards Agricultural Development" *Anvesak*, 37(1), January-June, 2007. Co-author.
20. "Employment Availability for Hired Workers: A Comparative Study of Two Villages" *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, 49(3), July-September, 2006.
21. "Imbalances in Development between Regions and Social Groups: Evidences from Gujarat" *Anvesak*, 36(1), January-June, 2006.
22. "An Approach towards Identifying Sunrise Industries: A Regional Perspective". *Manpower Journal*, Special Issue on Rural Non- Farm Sector, 38(2 & 3), July-December, 2002. Co-author.
23. "Agricultural Development in Gujarat: Problems and Prospects". *Economic & Political Weekly*, 35 (35 & 36), 2000 Co-author.
24. "Ongoing Changes in Policy Environment & Farm Sector in India: Role of Agro-Climatic Regional Planning Approach". *Economic & Political Weekly*, 34(26), 1999. Co-author.
25. "Agricultural Development Strategy for the Eastern Region" (1999), *ARPU Technical Paper No. 33*, ARPU, Planning Commission.
26. "Irrigation Development and Allocation to Crops Across Major States of India". *Anvesak*, 28(2), July-Dec, 1998.
27. "Agro-climatic Regional Planning: Recent Developments", (1998) *ARPU Working Paper No. 10*, ARPU, ARPU, Planning Commission, Ahmedabad. Co-author.
28. "Land use Planning in context of Agro-climatic sub-regions" (1998), *ARPU Technical Paper No.30*, ARPU, Planning Commission, Ahmedabad.
29. "A Decadal Growth of Gujarat's Agriculture and Perspective" (1997), *ARPU Technical Paper No. 28*, ARPU, Planning Commission, Ahmedabad.

30. "Employment Trends in Agro-climatic Resource Regions". *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, 38(2), April-June, 1995.
31. "Spatial Analysis of Agro-processing Industries in India". *Anvesak*, 24(2), July-Dec, 1994 Co-author.
32. "Crop Output Projections for States by Agro-Climatic Subregions (Based on an Inter-Regional Area Allocation Model)". (1994), *ARPU Working Paper No.8*, ARPU, Planning Commission, Ahmedabad. Co-author.
33. "Agro-Climatic Regional Planning – District Level" (1993), *ARPU Working Paper No. 7*, ARPU, Planning Commission, Ahmedabad. Co-author.
34. "Agro-processing Potential in Selected Zones" (1993), *ARPU Technical Paper No. 22*, ARPU, Planning Commission, Ahmedabad.

Seminar/Conference Papers:

1. "Input-cost Gains and Technical Efficiency in Cotton Cultivation: Experience of HT Technology", accepted for presentation at the *AERA Silver Jubilee Conference, 2017*, ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad on 7-9 November, 2017.
2. "Female Employment in India: Recent Trends and Dimensions", Paper presented at *FES-CU Workshop on Women and Work in India*. November 25, 2016, New Delhi.
3. "Changing Employment and Enterprise Structure in Gujarat: 1990-2005", Paper presented at the *National Seminar on Dynamics on Rural Labour Relations in India*, 10-12 March, 2016, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR), Hyderabad.
4. "Urbanization Challenge in Gujarat: Implications for Policy and Development", Paper presented at the *National Seminar on the Role of Public Policy in Development Process: Emerging Economic/Social Scenario in the Indian Economy*, 4-5 January, 2016, Sardar Patel Institute of Economic & Social Research, Ahmedabad.
5. "Changing Inter-Sectoral Linkages: Role of Technology Adoption in Agricultural Growth", Paper presented at the *23rd Annual AERA Conference on "Inter- and Intra-Sectoral Dynamics for Transforming Indian Agriculture"*, 2-4 December, 2015, CIFE, Mumbai.
6. "Dynamics of Change in the Employment and Enterprise Structure of Gujarat", Paper presented at the *57th Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics*, SKAUST and Central University of Kashmir, Srinagar, 10-12th October, 2015.
7. "Dynamics of Labour Used in Cotton farms in Gujarat: Role of Technology Infusion for Enhancing Profitability", Abstract accepted and Paper submitted to *GDN Annual Conference* held in Morocco, June 2015.
8. "Gujarat over time: Progress towards Growth, Development and Inclusiveness". Paper presented at the seminar on *"Status of Social Science Research in Western India: Critical Engagement and Future Direction"*, November 14-16, 2014, ICSSR Western Regional Centre, Vidyanagari, SantaCruz (E), Mumbai-400098.
9. "An Investigation into Growth, Instability and Role of Weather in Gujarat Agriculture, 1981-2011". Paper accepted for the *21st AERA Annual Conference*, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Kashmir, Srinagar (J&K), September 10-12, 2013.
10. "Agricultural Growth in Gujarat: Strides towards Innovations & Inclusiveness". Paper accepted for the **First International Conference on Development and Innovation in the Emerging Economies** of the Centre for Development Economics and Innovations Studies (CDEIS), Punjabi University and Indialics, November 16-18, 2012.

11. "Food Security Aspects and Diversification of Demand in the Context of Gujarat". Presented paper at *National Seminar on Imperatives of Sustainable Farm Sector Development in the Backdrop of Globalisation, Poverty and Employment* held at SPIESR, Ahmedabad, 15-16 June, 2012.
12. Attended the Stakeholders' Consultation Workshop on SoER (Gujarat) – 2012: Land, Water and Climate Change, organized by Institute of Rural Management, Anand, January 31 to February 2, 2012. Made a presentation on "Landuse Changes in Gujarat in the past 5 decades".
13. Participated in the *International Conference on Indian Social Sciences in the Changing World: Roles, Responsibilities and Reforms* Organised by ICSSR, MHRD, Hotel Ashoka, New Delhi on 6-7 February 2012.
14. "Quality and Employability Aspects of Rural Labour Force in Gujarat". Paper presented at *Seminar on Changing Scenario of Employment in Gujarat: 1960-2010*, held on 16th -17th July 2010, Centre for Culture and Development, Vadodara.
15. *National Convention on Making Growth Inclusive: Opportunities, Scope and Challenges at the State Level*, October 26-28, 2009, organized by GIDR, Ahmedabad. Wrote the Rapporteur's Report on the Session on Agriculture (I).
16. "Female Labour Force Participation in Services Sector: Indian Experience in the Reforms Era". Paper presented at *International Conference on Increasing Female Labour Force Participation*, Dutch Ministry of Employment & Social Affairs, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, November 4-6, 2009.
17. "Implications of Agricultural Trade Liberalization: An Analysis of the Growth Components and Contributory Factors for Agriculture across Indian States", Paper Presented at *Ninth Annual Conference of South Asia Network of Economic Research Institutes (SANEI)* organized by Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, Islamabad, Pakistan, August 18-20, 2008.
18. "An Update on Measurement and Determinants of Rural and Urban Poverty". Paper presented at the *Seminar on Industrial Development and Economic Policy Issues*, organised in Honour of Professor SK Goyal, at Institute of Studies in Industrial Development (ISID), New Delhi., 27 & 28 June, 2008. Co-author.
19. *National Seminar on Human Resource Management and Business Process* held at Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad, January 30-31, 2007. Rapporteur and presented Seminar Proceedings.
20. "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 <http://ssrn.com/abstract=996574>.
21. "Economic Exclusion of Asset Poor Rural Households: Paradox of a Growing Regional Economy" Paper submitted to the Institute of South Asian Studies, NUS, Singapore for the *Third International Conference on South Asia*, November, 2007.
22. "Non-Farm Sector in India: Temporal and Spatial Aspects". Co-author. Paper presented at the *Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics*, CESS, Hyderabad in December 2007.
23. "Gujarat 2020: Viewpoints & A Vision". Keynote Paper presented at the *Annual Conference of Gujarat Economic Association* held in January 2007 at Bhavnagar University, Gujarat, December 2006. Available at http://www.gdnet.org/fulltext/1172572424_GEA-keynote.pdf.
24. "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. Available at http://www.gdnet.org/fulltext/1165051149_Gujarat_agri.pdf

25. "Rural Non-farm Sector in Gujarat: Growth and Emerging Nature" Co-author. Paper presented at the Workshop to examine *Future Development Strategies for Rural Transformation in India*. Organized by Institute of Human Development, Planning Commission, DFID & World Bank, New Delhi in September 2001.
26. "Agricultural Development in Gujarat: Problems and Prospects" Co-author. Paper presented at the Seminar on *Dynamics of Development in Gujarat*, Organized by Centre for Development Alternatives with Oxfam (India) Trust, Ahmedabad, 1999.
27. "Ongoing Changes in Policy Environment & Farm Sector in India: Role of Agro-Climatic Regional Planning Approach". Paper presented at the *Indo-Russian Joint Seminar on 'State Regulation vs. Market Forces in Transitional Economies'*, organized by Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta in collaboration with ICSSR, December 10-12, 1998.
28. "Output, Employment and Poverty issues in context of ACRP" Co-author. Paper presented at the *National Conference on Growth, Employment and Poverty: Change & Continuity in Rural India*, Organized by Indian Society of Labour Economics. New Delhi, held at Patna, November, 1997.
29. "Land Use Planning in context of Agro-climatic sub-regional planning", Presented paper at the *National Workshop on Land Use Planning*, organized by the National Centre for Agricultural Economics & Policy Research and Planning Commission, New Delhi, November 28-29, 1997.
30. "Planning for Globalization & Sustainability: ACRP as an Alternative Paradigm". Paper presented at the *International Conference on Globalization, Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture*, organized by the Research Foundation for Science, Technology and Natural Resource Policy, New Delhi, July 1996. Co-author.
31. "Agro-climatic Based Planning for Sustainable Agriculture". Paper presented at the *Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Agricultural Statistics*, Lucknow, February 1996.
32. "Employment Trends in Agro-climatic Resource Regions", Paper presented at the *Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics*, held at Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad, January 1994.

Articles in Books:

1. "Declining Female Workforce Participation in India: An Examination of NSS Data with a Focus on Income Groups" in (Ed.), Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung, New Delhi and Calcutta University. Forthcoming.
2. "Technology Adoption and its Impact on Labour Use: The Case for Herbicide Tolerant Technologies", in N. Chandrasekhara Rao, Carl E. Pray and Ronald J. Herring (Ed.) (2018). *Biotechnology for a Second Green Revolution in India: Socioeconomic, Political, and Public Policy Issues*, Academic Foundation, New Delhi.
3. "Introduction and Overview" in Niti Mehta and Anita Arya (Ed.) (2018). *The Role of Public Policy in Development Process (Emerging Economic/Social Scenario in the Indian Economy)*. Academic Foundation, New Delhi.
4. "Urbanization Challenges in Gujarat: Implications for Policy and Development" in Niti Mehta and Anita Arya (Ed.) (2018). *The Role of Public Policy in Development Process (Emerging Economic/Social Scenario in the Indian Economy)*. Academic Foundation, New Delhi.

5. "Gujarat over time: Progress towards Growth, Development and Inclusiveness" in (Ed.) Seminar Volume. ICSSR-WRC, Mumbai. Manak Publishers, New Delhi. Forthcoming.
6. "Quality and Employability Aspects of Rural Labour Force in Gujarat" in Lancy Lobo and Jayesh Shah (Ed.) (2012). *Globalisation, Growth and Employment: Challenges and Opportunities*. Rawat Publications, Jaipur.
7. "Krishi Rath: An Innovative Approach towards Rural Development" in *Rural Development: Under Decentralised Governance*, MR Biju (Ed.) (2012) Concept Publishing Co. Pvt.Ltd., New Delhi. Co-author.
8. "An Update on Measurement and Determinants of Rural and Urban Poverty" in SR Hashim et.al (Ed.) (2008) *Indian Industrial Development and Globalisation* (Volume in Honour of Professor SK Goyal), Institute for Studies in Industrial Development, New Delhi, Academic Foundation. Co-author.
9. "Rural Non-Farm Sector in Gujarat: Growth and Emerging Nature" in Rohini Nayyar and Alakh N Sharma (Ed.) (2005) *Rural Transformation in India- The Role of Non-farm Sector*, Institute of Human Development, New Delhi, Manohar Publishers & Distributors. Co-author.
10. "Output, Employment and Poverty issues in context of ACRP" in Alakh K Sharma and GK Chadha (Ed.) (1997) *Growth, Employment and Poverty*. New Delhi, Indian Society of Labour Economics. Co-author.
11. "Planning for Globalization an Sustainability: ACRP as an Alternative Paradigm" in Uma Kapila and Raj Kapila (Ed.) (1996) *Indian Economy Update*, Vol III. Delhi, Academic Foundation. Co-author.
12. "Agro-processing Potential in Agro-climatic Regions" in D.N. Basu and S.P. Kashyap (Ed.) (1996) *Agro-climatic Regional Planning in India*, Vol II. New Delhi, Concept Publishing Co. Ltd. Co-author.

Project Related Work:

1. ***Seminar Report*** (2017) ICSSR funded National Seminar on the Role of Public Policy in Development Process: Emerging Economic/Social Scenario in the Indian Economy, 4-5 January, 2016, Sardar Patel Institute of Economic and Social Research, Ahmedabad.
2. ***"The Post Liberalization Rural Transformation in Gujarat: Economic, Social and Environmental Consequences"*** (2016) funded by Indian Council of Social Sciences Research. New Delhi. Project Director, Final Report Submitted.
3. ***"Dynamics of Labour use by Cotton Growers in Gujarat"***, (2015) funded by Mahyco- Monsanto, Mumbai. Project Director, Final Report Submitted.
4. ***"Identifying Features of High Agricultural Growth in Gujarat in the Recent Period"*** (2012) funded by DEAR, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) Mumbai. Project Director, Final Report Submitted.
5. ***"Developments in Agriculture: A Comparative Analysis of the Growth Components and Contributory Factors across States"*** (2010), funded by Indian Council of Social Sciences Research. New Delhi. Project Director, Final Report Submitted.

6. *"Implications of Agricultural Trade Liberalization: An Analysis of the Growth Components and Contributory Factors for Agriculture across Indian States"* (2010) funded by South Asia Network of Economic Research Institutes (SANEI), Pakistan. Project Director, Final Report Submitted.
7. *"Sabarkantha District Human Development Report"* (2010), funded by UNDP and Gujarat State Human Development Directorate. Co-author, Final Report Submitted.
8. State level Nodal Consultant for *"Annual Employment Report of the Districts"* (2006) sponsored by Commissionerate of Rural Development, Government of Gujarat.
9. *"The Economic Condition of Hired Workers: Comparison between an Agriculturally Developed vs. Rainfed Village in Gujarat"* (2005), Project Director, Project Report submitted to Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad.
10. *"Economic Upliftment and Opportunities for Escaping Poverty Amongst Tribal Unorganized Workers in Gujarat"* (2005), Project Director, Project Report submitted to Mahatma Gandhi Labour Institute, Ahmedabad.
11. *"Gender Budgeting - Impact of Policies and Programmes on Women of Agricultural Households in Gujarat"* (2005), Research Associate, Project Sponsored by Human Development Resource Centre, UNDP India.
12. *Training Manual on Agro-Climatic Regional Planning*, ADDC, ARPU, Planning Commission. Co-author.

Book Reviews

1. Lalitha, N and P.K. Viswanathan (Ed.) (2015) *India's Tryst with Bt Cotton: Learning from the First Decade*, Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd. New Delhi in *Anvesak*, 45(2), July -December, 2015.
2. Misra, RP (Ed.). (2013) *Urbanisation in South Asia: Focus on Mega Cities*, Cambridge University Press India Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi in *Anvesak*, 44(2), July-December 2014.
3. Hirway, Indira, MR Saluja & Bhupesh Yadav (2010), *Employment Guarantee Programme and Pro-Poor Growth*, Academic Foundation, New Delhi, in *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol.66, No.2, April-June 2011.
4. Unni, Jeemol & Uma Rani (2008), *Flexibility of Labour in Globalizing India: The Challenge of Skills and Technology*, Tulika Books, New Delhi, in *Anvesak*, Vol. 39, No.1, January-June, 2009.
5. Fisher, Thomas et.al. (1997), *The Forgotten Sector- Non-farm Employment and Enterprises in Rural India*, Oxford & IBH Pub. Co. Ltd. in *Manpower Journal*, Vol. XLI, No. 3, July-September, 2006.
6. Ray, CN (2003), *Liberalization and Urban Social Services: Health & Education*, Rawat Publications, Jaipur, in *Anvesak*, Vol. 36, No. 1, January-June, 2006.
7. Roger, Jeffery & Alaka M Basu (ed.) (1996), *Girls' Schooling, Women's Autonomy & Fertility Changes in South Asia*, Sage Publications, New Delhi, in *Anvesak*, Vol. 34, No. 1, January-June, 2004.

8. West-Bengal Panchayat Elections 1993- A Study in Participation in *Anvesak*, Vol.29, No.1 - June 1999.
9. Rutten, Mario (1995), Farms and Factories: Social Profile of Large Farmers and Rural Industrialists in West India, OUP, Delhi, in *Journal of Entrepreneurship*, Vol.6, No.2, 1997.
10. Visaria, Pravin & Rakesh Basant (ed.) (1994), Non-Agricultural Employment in India: Trends & Prospects, Sage Publications, New Delhi, in *Anvesak*, Vol. 26, No. 2, July-December, 1996.

Recent Notable Academic/Training Activities

1. Teaching elective courses on **“Economics of Environment”** and **“Green Infrastructure”** to Post Graduate Programme on Landscape Architecture at the CEPT University, Ahmedabad.
2. Guest Faculty, **Regional Area Planning** and **Rural Planning Laboratories**, Masters in Planning Programme, School of Planning & Public Policy, CEPT University.
3. Organised a lecture on **“Regional Integration and Global Supply Chain”** delivered by Prof. Iwan J Azis, Cornell University at SPIESR, June 4, 2018.
4. Organised the **DT Lakdawala Memorial Lecture** delivered by Dr. YV Reddy on **“The Future of Public Sector Banking”**, November 17, 2017.
5. Lecture on **“Urbanisation, Development and Policy Challenges”**, Capacity Building Programme for Social Science Faculty Members, March 26, March 19-28, 2018 organised at SPIESR, Ahmedabad.
6. **“Agriculture Growth in India and Economic Wellbeing of Agricultural Labourers”**, Capacity Building Programme for Social Science Faculty Members, March 21, March 19-28, 2018 organised at SPIESR, Ahmedabad.
7. Lectures on **“Rethinking Food Security in India”** in International Honors Programme: Rethinking Food security: People, Agriculture and Politics, School for International Training (SIT), Study Abroad, 9th March, 2018 (Spring 2018) and 6th October, 2017(Autumn 2017).
8. Distinguished Lecture on **“Rural Transformation Process and Impacts”**, Central University, Gujarat. March 29, 2017
9. Lecture on Rural Housing in the **“Panel Discussion on Housing for All”** for World Habitat Day, Nirma University, Ahmedabad, October 3, 2016.
10. Lecture on **“Second Green Revolution, Issues and the Way ahead”** at the Workshop on Programming on Developmental Contents, All India Radio, Ahmedabad for PEX/TREX/Annr. Of All India Radio/Door Darshan on August 10, 2016.
11. Delivered a Special lecture on **“Agro-Climatic Approach to Regional Planning”**, Metropolitan Regional Planning Laboratory, CEPT University, August 3, 2015.

12. Presented lecture on 'Urbanization Challenge: Implications for Development' **in Panel Discussion on "Managing Gujarat Economy: A way forward"**, on 17th June, 2015 organised at SPIESR with National Council for Climate Change Sustainable Development and Public Leadership (NCCSD), Ahmedabad.
13. Organised the Workshop of the Sub-Group on Agricultural Marketing of the Commission on "Inclusive and Sustainable Agricultural Development of Andhra Pradesh" at SPIESR, 15th May, 2015.
14. Delivered a lecture on "**Steps in the Process of Research- Problem Selection, Formulation and Planning: How to write a Proposal**", Research Methodology Course for Ph.D. Scholars in Social Sciences, April 16th to 25th, 2015. Organised by SPIESR.
15. Delivered a lecture on "**Gujarat over time: Progress towards Growth, Development and Inclusiveness**", Research Methodology Course for Ph.D. Scholars in Social Sciences, April 16th to 25th, 2015. Organised by SPIESR.
16. **Nominated as ICSSR Observer** for Research Methodology Training Course in Social Science for Ph.D. Scholars (Sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi), April 7 to 16, 2015, Organised by Mahatma Gandhi Department of Rural Studies, VNSGU and Centre for Social Studies, Surat.
17. Delivered lecture on "**Status of Agriculture: Insights from Empirical Studies on Gujarat**". Research Methodology Training Course in Social Science for Ph.D. Scholars (Sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi), April 7 to 16, 2015, Organised by Mahatma Gandhi Department of Rural Studies, VNSGU and Centre for Social Studies, Surat.
18. Organised a seminar on "**Decent Work**" delivered by Prof. Gerry Rodgers, ILO, at SPIESR, February 27, 2015.
19. Participated as Resource person in the State level Seminar on "Mainstreaming Human Development Approach through Higher Education", March 20th, 2015. Made a presentation on "**Sharing Inputs of Human Development Reports-Exploring Way Ahead**".
20. Participated as Resource person in National Development Convention on "Resources, Institutions and Development: Contestations and Possibilities in Globalizing India" during February 11-12, 2015, organized by GIDR, Ahmedabad. **Chairperson for the technical session on "Treading the Green pathways to Environment and Development"** during 12th February 2015.
21. **Keynote Address on "Agriculture in Gujarat: Problems and Prospects"** at 4th National Conference of the Konkan Geographers Association, 26th and 27th December, 2014 at the Department of Geography, Faculty of Science, The MS University of Baroda, Vadodara, Gujarat.

22. Organised a Panel Discussion on **“Sardar Patel’s Views on Governance”** at SPIESR, December 15, 2014.
23. Resource person at the **IFPRI-IIMA Consultation Workshop** on Support-led and Economic Growth-Mediated Food and Nutrition Security in India: The Case of Gujarat. Made a Presentation on **“Issues Relevant for Research on Food and Nutrition Security in Gujarat”**, November 1, 2014.
24. Participated as Resource person in AKRSP-NABARD Seminar on **System of Rice Intensification** in Dangs and Navsari, held at Gujarat Vidyapith, 23rd May, 2014.
25. Delivered a lecture on **The Status of Agricultural Research in India**, 17th Refresher Course on **“Recent Developments in Economics”**, Department of Economics, Gujarat University. 10, July, 2014.
26. Invited Expert at the **Second Scenarios Workshop** organized by **The CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS)** on June 2-5, 2013 at Kathmandu, Nepal.
27. Delivered Special Lecture on **“Status of Agricultural Research in India”** in the Orientation Workshop in Social Science Research, GIDR, September 4th, 2013.
28. Invited as Keynote Speaker on **“Development Dynamics in Gujarat”** in the UGC Seminar on Development Dynamics of Gujarat- Growth opportunities and potential ahead, organized by SMPIC, Ahmedabad 29th Sep 2013.
29. Delivered Lecture on **“Application of Analytical Techniques in Indian Agriculture: Illustrations from Studies in Gujarat,”** Advanced Refresher Course on Macro-economic with Special Reference to Indian Economic System, 13th to 27th May, 2013, Organised by SPIESR.
30. Delivered lecture on **“Landuse changes in Gujarat over a period of 5 decades”** at the Stakeholders’ Consultation Workshop for preparation of State of Land, Water, Climate Change Reports, 2011, at IRMA, January 31st, 2012.
31. Invited Expert at the **Climate Change Scenarios Workshop** organized by **The CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS)**, November 29th to 1st December, 2012 at Colombo, Sri Lanka.
32. Note prepared on **Institute’s Contribution to Social Sciences Research for the ICSSR Review Committee**, February, 2011.
33. Member of the Sub-group -6 of **Committee on Statistics of Agriculture and Allied Sectors** (Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation), 2011. Prepared and Submitted Report on **“Agro-Climatic Statistics”**.
34. Delivered Lectures on **“Manpower Development in India”** to Graduate Students of School for Industrial Relations & Labour Studies, *Michigan State*

University (MSU), East Lansing, USA on invitation from Professor Ellen Kossek, Distinguished Professor, MSU, November, 2010.

35. Delivered Lecture on **“Women’s Employment in Service Sector Activities”** in the Regional Consultation on Gender & Migration, organized by CWDS, New Delhi at Gujarat Vidyapith, 24 & 25 November, 2009.
36. Delivered Lecture on **“Changing Agricultural Land Ownership and Land Use Pattern In Gujarat In Context With Women’s Land Ownership”** during a session in the State level Consultation conducted by Working Group on Women’s Land Ownership (WGWLO) held on March 3, 2008 at MGLI.
37. Invited Speaker on **“Non-farm Sector Employment in India”**, Training Programme on Macro-Economics with Special Reference to Indian Economic System. Organised by SPIESR with ICSSR, May 2008.
38. Invited Speaker on **“Agro-climatic Planning and Agricultural Development”**, Training Course on Macro Economics with Special Reference to Indian Economic System, Organised by SPIESR with ICSSR in March 2004.

Doctoral Mentoring

1. **External Referee** for doctoral student Ms. Namrata Singha Roy of the Economics Department, University of Calcutta. Topic: **“Female Employment and Wages in Rural Labour Market in Semi-Arid Villages of India”** 2017.
2. **External Referee** for doctoral student Ms. Sanghamitra Kanjilal of the Economics Department, University of Calcutta. Topic: **“Gender Relations in employment under overlapping Class, Caste and Community Identity”** 2017.
3. **Member of Expert Advisory Committee** for doctoral student Mr. Dhiren Jotwani, of Institute of Management, Nirma University. Topic: **“Economic Growth and Financial Sector Development in India ”**. 2015.
4. **Member of Expert Student Advisory Committee** for Doctoral Scholar Ms. Bindi Shastri, CEPT University, Topic: **“SAR Polarimetric Applications for Land Surface Feature Studies”**. 2014.
5. **External Referee** for doctoral student Ms Chitrita Bhowmick of the Economics Department, University of Calcutta. Topic: **“Rural Non-Farm Sector and the Quality of Employment”** 2013.
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