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GENDER.

Female

CITIZENSHIP

India

EDUCATION

• Indian Institute of Management Bangalore, India

Fellow Programme in Management (Economics) (March 2010)

- Thesis Topic: Macroeconomic Transmission Channel of International Remittance Flows: Labour Market Adjustments and Dutch Disease Effect

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- Advisor: Prof. Rupa Chanda
- Delhi School of Economics, New Delhi, India

MA in Economics (July 2002 - May 2004)

- Specialization: Econometrics
- St. Xavier's College, Kolkata, India

B.Sc. Economics(Honors) (July 1999 - May 2002)

Professional Experience

• Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore

- Lecturer (September 2012)
- Visiting Scientist (September 2011 August 2012)

• National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore

Research Economist (June 2010 - August 2011)

- Post Doctoral Economist and Programme Coordinator for the research programme titled 'Provincial Globalization: Impact of Reverse Transnational Flows in India's Regional Towns', a collaborative programme between National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bangalore and Amsterdam Institute of Social Sciences, University of Amsterdam.
- A multidisciplinary research approach to study the transnational connections between Overseas Indians and their home regions and the effect of the reverse flows, in the form of remittances, philanthropy, investments and knowledge, on the local economy.

• Asian Development Bank, Manila

Summer Intern (July 2007 - Sept 2007)

- Worked in the Pacific Research Department analyzing the foreign aid effectiveness in Pacific Island Countries.
- Studied aid fungibility and fiscal response model for the Pacific island Countries and gave policy recommendations

• National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi

Research Associate (May 2004 - June 2004)

- Estimated Tourism Satellite Account for India to predict the factors which have the greatest impact on tourism in India, using live data from 25 Indian States.

RESEARCH INTERESTS Labour Migration, International Capital Flows, Macroeconomic Modeling, Applied Econometrics

Research Papers

Publications

- Guha P. (2012). Macroeconomic Effects of International Remittances: The Case of Developing Economies (Review and Resubmit Economic Modelling)
- Guha P. (2012). Unraveling the Black Box of Remittance Measurement The Case of India (Review International Migration Review)
- Guha P. (2012). Implications of EU Enlargement for India-EU Labour Mobility: Competition, Challenges and Opportunities, CARIM-India RR 2012/13, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, San Domenico di Fiesole (FI): European University Institute, Florence, Italy
- Bandopadhyay, R., T.V.Prathamesh and P.Guha (2012). Zoning Crossroads: A Critique. Seminar, No. 636, August 2012.
- Kumar, T.K., J. Holla and P. Guha. (2008). Engel Curve Method for Measuring Poverty, *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol 43 (3), pp 115-123.
- Guha, P. and C. Mukherjee. (2004). Role of FDI in Building Human Capital, Treasury Management, ICFAI Publication.

Policy Reports

- 'Gujarat International Migration Report Anand and Kheda Districts',2012 Based on the survey conducted under Provincial Globalisation Programme, jointly coordinated by NIAS, Bangalore, UvA, Netherlands and GIDR, Ahmedabad
- 'Impact of Remittances on Different States of India: The Utilization Pattern and Economic Development', 2010 ICOE, Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs, Government of India

Working Papers

- Guha P. (2012). Migrants' Private Giving and Development: A Study of Diasporic Relationships to Development in Central Gujarat.
- Guha P. (2012). India-EU Mobility: Building Bonds through Remittances and Philanthropy.
- Guha P. (2011). Measuring International Workers' Remittances in India: Concepts and Empirics. Provincial Globalisation Working Paper No.1, Bangalore: National Institute of Advanced Studies and Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research, August.
- Guha P. (2011). Economics of Migration and Remittances A Literature Critique. Provincial Globalisation Working Paper No.3, Bangalore: National Institute of Advanced Studies and Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research, September.
- Guha P. (2011). Reconciling the Dichotomy between Internal and International Migration in Migration-Development Nexus.

REFEREE SERVICES

- Economic Modelling, Elsevier.
- Journal of Quantitative Economics, Indian Econometric Society.
- International Journal of Asia-Pacific Studies, Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) Press.

International Conferences/Seminars

- Migrants' Private Giving and Development A Study of Diasporic Relationships to Development in Central Gujarat, India, Diaspora and Development Workshop, ISAS, NUS, Singapore, September 2012.
- Macroeconomic Impact of International Remittances:Revaluating Remittances as a Source of Development Finance, 14th Annual International Conference on Money and Finance, IGIDR, Mumbai, April 2012.
- Reconciling the Dichotomy between Internal and International Migration in Migration-Development Nexus, Asia Research Institute Conference: Crossing Borders, Traversing Boundaries, NUS, Singapore, October 2011.
- Macroeconomic Transmission Channels of International Remittances: The Micro to Macro Level Adjustments, paper selected as the finalist for the Medals for Research and Development, and presented in the 12th Annual Global Development Network (GDN) Conference, Bogota, Colombia, January 2011.
- Macroeconomic Transmission Channel of International Remittance Flows: Labour Market Adjustments and Dutch Disease, Presented at 5th Royal Economic Society PhD Presentation, London, January 2010.
- Securitization of Migration and Remittances, Attended workshop conducted by Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, August 2008.
- The Impact of High Levels of Aid on Incentives for Domestic Economic Growth: Studying the Effect of Aid on Government Fiscal Behavior, Brown Bag Seminar, Pacific Research Department, Asian Development Bank, Manila, Philippines, August 2007.

National Conferences/Seminars

- Implications of EU Enlargement for India-EU Labour Mobility: Competition, Challenges and Opportunities, VII Annual International Conference on Public Policy and Management, IIM Bangalore, August 2012.
- Macroeconomic Effects of International Remittances: The Case of Developing Economies, Economics Seminar, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi, 17th August 2012.
- Diasporic Relationships to Development: A Study of International Migration in Central Gujarat, Conference on Migration, Informal Work and Urban Poverty: Interdisciplinary Perspectives, ISEC Bangalore, March, 2012.
- Remittances and Inter-sectoral Labour Adjustments: Unravelling the Dutch Disease Channel, Workshop on Global Relationships in Indian Perspective, organized jointly by ICSSR, India and NWO, Netherland, Bangalore, June 2010.
- Macroeconomic Consequences of Remittances: A General Equilibrium Analysis, Presented at the International Consortium of Students in Management Research (COSMAR) at IISC Bangalore and was awarded Cognizant Best Paper Award (Second Prize), October 2009.
- Macroeconomic Consequences of Remittances: A General Equilibrium Analysis, presented at IMR Doctoral Students Conference (IMRDC) and was among the best 10 papers presented in the conference, 2009.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Invited to author a paper for the Indian Council of Overseas Employment (ICOE), MOIA, as a part of the project titled 'Developing a Knowledge Base for Policy-Making on India-Europe Migration' (Oct'12 Mar'13).
- Advisor on Statistical Strengthening Programe for Karnataka Statistical Systems Development Agency (KSSDA), project conducted by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore (Jul'12 Oct'12).
- Visiting Research Associate for Provincial Globalisation Programme, a collaborative research project by NIAS and University of Amsterdam (UvA), funded by WOTRO (Sept'11 Dec'12).
- Advisor and Coordinator for Gujarat Migration Survey, 2011, jointly conducted by NIAS and Gujarat Institute of Development Research (GIDR), funded by Gujarat State Government and MOIA, and partly funded by Provincial Globalisation Programme, NIAS-UvA.

Consulting Assignments

• Indian Council for Overseas Employment (ICOE)

Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs, Government of India Research Intern (March 2010 - August 2010)

 Studied the impact of remittances on different regions in India through their utilization pattern and tried to map the utilization pattern to the economic development of the region.

• Samkhya Analytica India

Lead - Analytics Research (Sept 2008 - August 2009)

- Part-time Consultant in a start-up organization for high-end analytical work.
- Involved in solving live industry problems through analytical research and modeling.
- Prescient Analytics, London (February 2008 August 2008)
 - The project involved studying the credit card inactivity in the American Express Middle East market, developing a predictive model to predict inactive customers and coming out with suitable offers to limit such inactivity.
- Grameen Foudation USA (August 2006 December 2006)
 - Evaluated the financial viability of United Poverty Alleviation Program (UPAP), a microfinance organization of Pakistan
 - Developed financial models to generate projections and calculated profitability projections for the next 5 years.
 - Based on the analysis recommended Grameen Foundation whether to invest in UPAP.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Courses Offered

- Time Series Analysis, PhD Course, ISEC, 2012
- Development Economics, NIAS, 2011

Guest Lectures

 Lectures on VAR-VEC Models for the Indian Statistical Services (ISS) Probationary Officers, ISEC, August 2012

- Lecture on Analysing Business and Economic data Using Excel, FDP Programme, Vivekananda Institute of Technology, Bangalore, Feb 2012
- Lecture on Correlation Analysis, ISS Officers Training Programme, ISEC, Nov 2011

Others

 Teaching Assistant: Microeconomic Theory, Macroeconomics and Econometrics, IIMB (PGP Course), 2006-09

AWARDS

- Selected as a finalist for Medals for Research and Development, in the 12th Annual GDN Conference, Bogota, 2011
- Awarded second prize for Best Paper presented at COSMAR, IISc, Bangalore 2009
- Paper selected among the top 10 papers presented at the IMR Doctoral Students Conference (IMRDC) 2009
- Semifinalist of the Global Social Venture Competition conducted by Indian School of Business and Haas School of Business in Jan 2007.

References

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