CURRICULUM VITAE
PRABIR KUMAR GHOSH

Prabir Kumar Ghosh is a Fellow at NCAER. He has been working extensively on large scale primary survey, data management and statistical analyses of different parameters of human development. During the last five years at NCAER, he has been involved in some of the pioneering studies like Census of 28 lakh households, Impact Evaluation of Integrated Child Development Services, Living in India-National Survey of Household Income and Expenditure, India Human Development Survey, Study on Health Seeking Behavior of Indian States and was mainly engaged in preparing study questionnaires, coordinating the survey work; managing the data and analysis. His research interests include development economics, human development, income, expenditure, poverty and nutrition, demography, and budgetary analysis on social sector and poverty alleviation programs. He has published many articles/papers on human development subjects.

Academic Qualification:

- M.A. in Economics from Burdwan University in March 1990, West Bengal.
- B.A. (Hons. in Economics) from Burdwan University in February 1988, West Bengal.

Computer Literacy:

- Proficiency in econometric and Statistical Software: STATA
  Microsoft Office: EXCEL, WORD & POWERPOINT

Research Interest:

- Human Development/Social Sector Research
- Income and Expenditure
- Survey Research

Main Strength in the Research:

- Management of both primary and secondary data
- Coordination of survey work at all India level
- Analysis of large scale survey data like Census of India, NSSO, NCAER (IHDS, NSHIE)
- Proposal Development
- Data analysis and Report writing

Research Experience:

September 2023 till date	: Senior Fellow at NCAER, New Delhi
April 2018 – August 2023	: Fellow at NCAER, New Delhi
November 2013 – March 2018	: Associate Fellow at NCAER, New Delhi
November 2010 – October 2013	: Senior Research Fellow and Head-Field Operation at NCAER Centre for Macro Consumer Research

	(NCAER-CMCR)
January 2006 – October 2010	: Associate Fellow at NCAER, New Delhi
November 2004-December 2005	: Jr. Economist at International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), New Delhi, India
April 2003 – October 2004	: Associate Fellow at NCAER, New Delhi
March 2000 – March 2003	: Research Assistant at NCAER, New Delhi
February 1996 - February 2000	: Research Associate at NCAER, New Delhi

Work/Employment:

Project lead /Co-lead:

- Concurrent Impact Evaluation of PM Vishwakarma (Ongoing)
- Assessing the Effectiveness of the Small Borrowing in India (Ongoing).
- Physical Verification of the Institutes and Beneficiaries of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for Students Belonging to the Schedule Tribe Community (Ongoing).
- Physical Verification of the Institutes and Beneficiaries of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for Students Belonging to the Schedule Caste Community. 2023.
- Physical Verification of the Institutes and Beneficiaries of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Minority Affairs for Students Belonging to the Minority Community. 2022-2023
- Monitoring and Impact Evaluation of the Scholarship Schemes for Students belonging to Minority Community.2022-23
- Health Seeking Behaviour in Four Indian States. 2020-2024.
- Discrete Choice Experiment Component of Health Seeking Behaviour. 2020-2024.
- Evaluation of Integrated Child Development Services
- Assessing the effectiveness of Small Borrowing in India
- National Survey of Household Income and Expenditure
- Monitoring and Evaluation study of block level handloom clusters under National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) and Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHDS)
- Health Insurance in India, sponsored by ICICI Lombard, Mumbai.

Major Research Study:

- Assessing the Effectiveness of the Small Borrowing in India, Microfinance Institute Network (MFIN), Gurgaon, Haryana (Ongoing)
- Physical Verification of the Institutes and Beneficiaries of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for Students Belonging to the Schedule Tribe Community (Ongoing).
- First All India Citizen Survey of Police Services (Ongoing).
- Physical Verification of the Institutes and Beneficiaries of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for Students Belonging to the Schedule Caste Community, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, GoI **(2023)**
- Physical Verification of the students from minority communities who applied for

three centrally sponsored scholarship schemes for minorities in 2022-23, Ministry of Minority Affairs, GoI (2023)

- Monitoring and Impact Evaluation of the Scholarship Schemes for Students belonging to Minority Community, Ministry of Minority Affairs, GoI. (2023)
- Health Seeking Behaviors in Four Indian States, sponsored by "Nossal Institute for Global Health", University of Melbourne, Australia. (2022)
- Investigating Patients Preferences of Health Provider Choices using Discrete Choice Experiments in Four Indian States, sponsored by Population Council of India, New Delhi (2022)
- Study of Gems and Jewelry Sector of India, sponsored by the GJEPC, Mumbai, India (2020)
- Monitoring and Evaluation of Block Level Handloom Clusters under NHDC & CHCDS, 2016-18, sponsored by the Development Commissioner-Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles. (2019)
- Role of the Public Distribution System in Shaping Household Food and Nutritional Security in India, sponsored by the Monitoring and Evaluation Office, NITI Aayog, GOI, Report submitted in December 2016.
- Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act – A Catalyst for Rural Transformation, funded by Poorest Areas Civil Society (PACS) Programme-an initiative of the UK Government's Department of International Development (DFID), 2015.
- India Human Development Survey 2011-12 (Panel survey of 43,000 households spread over in all the states in India) (2017)
- Health Insurance in India sponsored by the ICICI Lombard, Mumbai, 2010-11
- Living in India-National Survey of Household Income and Expenditure 2011 - Phase II (Survey of 100,000 households spread over in all the states in India), 2011
- Living in India-National Survey of Household Income and Expenditure 2011-Phase I (Survey of 514,000 households spread over in all the states in India), 2011
- Assessing the Effectiveness of Small Borrowing in India (Survey of 10,000 borrower households spread over in five states in India), sponsored by the Microfinance Institution Network (MFIN), New Delhi, India, 2010
- Mobile India Revisited: Understanding the Role of New Communication Technologies as Instrument to in Shaping the Lives Indian Populace (Survey of 8,000 households spread over in four states in India), sponsored by Nokia Limited, India, 2010
- "Evaluation of Integrated Child Development Services" (Survey of 1,500 AWCs and 19,500 beneficiary/non-beneficiary households spread over in all states in India) for Programme Evaluation Organisation (PEO), Planning Commission, Government of India. Final report submitted on October 2010
- 'Third Handloom Census and issue of Photo Identity Cards to all the Handloom Weavers and Allied Workers' for Development Commissioner-Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles. Final report submitted on November 2010

Specialized Training/Workshop Attended:

- Training of Trainers Workshop on Data Quality in Surveys during November 23-24, 2021 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi organized by Indian Council of

Medical Research and National Data Quality Forum.

- Attended "International Training on Survey Data Analysis" conducted at the Institute for Social and Environmental Research-Nepal, Fulbari, Chitwan, in collaboration with the Social Research Center, University of Michigan, USA. December 24-28, 2017

- Two Weeks Training Program 'Regional Impact Evaluation and Survey Methods Workshop' jointly organized by the World Bank and the NCAER in New Delhi in December 2013. The objective of this two week program was to give participants an overview on the cutting-edge methods for impact evaluation and data collection.

- Intensive course on "Development on Gender and Macroeconomic Issues" during 14 – 25 June 2010 at Miriam College, Quezon City, Philippines co-organized by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Asia institute of Technology, and Miriam College with support from Government of Japan in partnership with International Working Group on Gender, Macroeconomics and International Economics (GEM-IWG) Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN) Manila (Philippines).

Professional Memberships:

- Member of the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) for household surveys pertaining to NSSO of the Ministry of Statistics & Program Implementation, Government of India Since August 2024.

- Member of the Expert Group Committee of the Ministry of Labour & Employment, Government of India for the following All India Surveys, October 2020-September 2023.
    - All India Survey of Domestic Workers
    - All India Survey of Migrant Workers.

- Member of the Expert Group Committee of the Ministry of Labour & Employment, Government of India for fifth and Sixth Employment-Unemployment Survey, 2015-16 & 2016-17.

- Member of the Technical Advisory Committee of the research study on "Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI)", 2018-20, International Institute of Population Science, Mumbai, India.

International Conference:

- Presented a poster paper on "India's Public Distribution System (PDS): Challenges of Targeting, Access and Performance" at Population Association of America Annual Meeting during April 30 –May 2, 2015

- Presented a paper in the workshop on "Diversity, Equality, Citizenship and Indian Muslims" during September 18-19, 2015 at Institute if South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, Singapore.

Publications:

Newspaper Article/Magazines/Blogs:

- Why caste should inform debates on inequality in the country, The Indian Express, June 18, 2024. https://indianexpress.com/article/opinion/columns/why-caste-should-inform-debates-on-inequality-in-the-country-9398419/
- Children Break the Mould of Parental Education, The Pioneer, Sunday Magazine, May 12, 2024. Children Break the Mould of Parental Education | The Pioneer
- Op-Ed titled, "Covid-19 and the resilience of our household economy" The Financial Express; August 20, 2020. https://www.financialexpress.com/opinion/covid-19-and-the-resilience-of-our-household-economy/2060144/
- Op-Ed titled, "Absorbing the COVID shock" The Indian Express, August 14, 2020. https://indianexpress.com/article/opinion/absorbing-the-covid-shock-6554818/
- "COVID-19 outbreak sets new challenges to psycho-social issues" Down To Earth, August 5, 2020. https://www.downtoearth.org.in/blog/health/covid-19-outbreak-sets-new-challenges-to-psycho-social-issues-72665
- "How the savings cookie crumbles?", Business Line, March 11, 2014
- "Is MNREGA Benefiting the Rural Poor?" macroTRACK, Vol XV, No. 11, November 2013.
- "Household Behavior on Savings", macroTRACK, Vol XV, No. 6, June 2013
- "A Crisis in the Rice Economy" Frontline, Vol. 19; Issue 19, September 14-27, 2002 (Jointly with Prof. Barbara Harris-White).

Journal Article:

- "Is there an association between public spending on health and choice of healthcare providers across socioeconomic groups in India? - Evidence from a national sample" jointly with Patrick Mulcahy , Ajay Mahal, Barbara McPake, Sumit Kane, and John Tayu Lee, 0277-9536/© 2021 Published by Elsevier Ltd

- "Indian Public Expenditures on Social Sector and Poverty Alleviation Programmes during the 1990s", Overseas Development Institute, London, UK, September 2002 (with Abusaleh Shariff).

- "Public expenditure on social sector and poverty alleviation programmes" Economic and Political Weekly, February 23 - March 1, 2002, Vol XXXVII No 8. (Jointly with Abusaleh Shariff).

- "State of Life of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in India", ARTHA VIJNANA, Vol. XLIII, Nos. 1-2, p 63-83, March-June 2001.

- "Indian Education Scene and the Public Gap", Economic and Political Weekly,

April 14-21, 2000, Vol XXXV No 16. (with Abusaleh Shariff).

- "Disparity and Some Possible Determinants in Rural Literacy/Education", IASSI Quarterly Journal, Vol. 17, No. 1, 1998.

- "Inter-state Disparities in Education", YOJANA, June 1998

- "Education Among Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Rural Orissa", VISION, Vol. XVII, No. 1-2, July-Dec, 1997.

- "Problems of Primary Education in West Bengal", YOJANA, September 1997.

Book Chapter:

- "Progress of school education among socio-religious communities in India-Post-Sachar" jointly with K A Siddiqui in Indian Muslims-Struggling for Equality of Citizenship edited by Riaz Hassan, Melbourne University Press, 2016.

- "How Social Structure Impacts the Gross Domestic Product? Role of Education and Diversity in India" *India Social Development Report 2012*; Oxford University Press, New Delhi, 2013 (with Abusaleh Shariff, K A Siddiqui & A. Sharma)

- "Indexing Human Development in India: Indicators, Scaling and Composition" in *State, Markets and Inequalities: Human Development in Rural India* edited by Abusaleh Shariff and Maithreyi Krishnaraj, Orient Longman Private Limited, India, 2007 (with Amitabh Kundu and Abusaleh Shariff).

- "Trade Liberalization and Informality in the Rice Processing Industry" in *Trade Liberalization and India's Informal Economy* edited by Barbara Hariss-White and Anushree Sinha, Oxford University Press, India, October 2006

- "Food and Nutritional Status of the Poor in India: A State Level Analysis" in *Towards Hunger Free India from Vision to Action* edited by M. S. Swaminathan & Pedro Medrano East West Books (Madras) Pvt. Ltd., Chennai, 2004 (with Abusaleh Shariff and Abhilasha Sharma).

- "Household Expenditure on Elementary Education: Implications of Cost Recovery Mechanisms" in *Financing Education in India* edited by Jandhyala BG Tilak, 2003 (with Abusaleh Shariff and Tarujyoti Buragohain).

NCAER Working/Occasional paper:

- "Role of Education and Diversity in India – How Social Structure Impacts the Gross Domestic Product?" Occasional Paper N0: 3; July 2012, USIPI (with Abusaleh Shariff, K A Siddiqui & A. Sharma)
- "Indexing Human Development in India: Indicators, Scaling and Composition", National Council of Applied Economic Research, Working Paper 83, July, 2002 (with Amitabh Kundu and Abusaleh Shariff).

- "Growth of Literacy Among SCs and STs Across States", Discussion Papers No 8, National Council of Applied Economic Research. 2003. (with G. Chakrabarty)

- "Household Expenditure on Elementary Education: Implications for Cost Recovery Mechanisms", NCAER Working Paper 73, September, 2000.

Major NCAER reports as Author/Co-author:

- Physical Verification of the Institutes and Beneficiaries of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for Students Belonging to the Schedule Tribe Community, 2024.

- Physical Verification of the Institutes and Beneficiaries of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for Students Belonging to the Schedule Caste Community, 2024.

- Physical Verification of the Institutes and Beneficiaries of Pre-Matric and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Minority Affairs for Students Belonging to the Minority Community, 2023.

- "Monitoring and Impact Evaluation of the Scholarship Schemes for Students belonging to Minority Community", 2023.

- "Health seeking pathways in Four Indian States (4IS) - A Report on Chronic and Acute Problems of Adults, Women and Children", 2023.

- *"Study on Gems and Jewellery Sector in India"* submitted to Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC India), 2020

- Study on "Monitoring and Evaluation study of block level handloom clusters under National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) and Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHDS) – Phase II" sponsored by DC Handloom, Ministry of Textile, Government of India, 201-19.

- Study on "Monitoring and Evaluation study of block level handloom clusters under National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP) and Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme (CHDS) – Phase I" sponsored by DC Handloom, Ministry of Textile, Government of India, 2017-18.

- Study on "Evaluation of Integrated Child Development Scheme" sponsored by Program Evaluation Organization, Planning Commission, Government of India, 2011

- Study on "Assessing the effectiveness of Small Borrowing in India" sponsored by Microfinance Institution Network (MFIN), New Delhi, India.

- "Household Expenditure on Elementary Education: Implications for Cost Recovery Mechanisms" National Council of Applied Economic Research, Working Paper 73, September 2000.

- “Human Development Profile of Scheduled Castes and Tribes in Rural India” National Council of Applied Economic Research, Report No. 4, September 2000.