

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Personal Statement

My extensive administrative and field experience, acumen in data collection and management, and sustained commitment and involvement in varied projects at different levels would guide my participation in this complex program project. **Vast experience in primary data collection and management:** I have been engaged in primary data collection, monitoring and supervision, and training and recruitment of field staff. I have also been involved in coding and editing, data cleaning and management, and in ensuring the high quality of the data for flagship projects at eminent research institutions in India, particularly NCAER, New Delhi, and Giri Institute of Development Studies, Lucknow, for the last 36 years. I also have experience with data validation and in using it in questionnaire design. **Leadership Qualities:** My administrative role in many projects has also imbued me with leadership skills and the ability to adroitly handle a large team of research and field staff. My stint as head of the regional field office of NCAER at Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, from 1988 to 2005, also provided me valuable experience in managing a team of researchers and data collection staff as also in networking with key agencies. In addition, it honed my ability to manage funds and negotiate contracts.

## Employment

1987-88	Research Assistant, Giri Institute of Development Studies, Lucknow
1988-93	Investigator, National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi
1993-96	Research Associate, National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi
1996-22	Associate Fellow, National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi
2022-24	Fellow, National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi
2024-Present	Consultant, National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi

## Education/Training

- Bachelors in Economics and Military Science from Agra University, Uttar Pradesh, 1978
- Masters in Economics from Agra University, Uttar Pradesh, 1980
- Research related training on "Introduction to Project Management for Surveys" from JPSPM, Maryland, Washington, USA, 2010
- NIH Web-based training course "Protecting Human Research Participants", July 2017

## Computer Skill

- MS Office Computer Diploma

### List of Major Projects Involved in:

- India Human Development Survey (IHDS)-III 2019- Ongoing
- Delhi Metropolitan Area Study (NDIC) 2018- Completed
- Wage Employment and Migration 2017-Completed
- The Impact of Mahatma Gandhi National Employment Guarantee Act on Household Welfare 2015— Completed.
- India Human Development Survey (IHDS)-II 2011-12— Completed.
- Human Development and Public Policy in India (2013-2016)—Completed.
- Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) (2009-10)—Completed.
- Third Handloom Census and Issue of Photo Identity Cards to all the Handloom Weavers and Allied Workers' for Development Commissioner, Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles (Survey of over 8,00,000 handloom weavers using handheld devices), Final report submitted in November 2010—Completed.
- India Human Development Survey-I (IHDS) (2004-2005)—Completed.
- Indian Science Report (2004) —Completed.
- Domestic Tourism Expenditure Study (2001-02) —Completed.
- Market Information Survey of Households (2001-02)—Completed.
- Rural Economic and Demographic Change in India (2000-01)—Completed.
- Human Development Profile for India (1993-96)—Completed.
- Evaluation Survey on Household Biogas Plants (1991-92)—Completed.
- Fertilizer Consumption and Quality Seeds (1989-90)—Completed.
- Baseline Study of Operation Flood Area (1988-89)—Completed.

### Papers Participations and Presentations

1. **Delivered lecture** on “Data Collection and Cleaning” as a resource person in AICTE sponsored FDP on ‘Decision making using data analysis conducted by JIMS Rohini, Delhi on 25 August 2020.

2. **Paper Title:** Who are India’s educational migrants?

**Authors:** Manjistha Banerji, Sonalde Desai, Dinesh Tiwari, Jaya Koti and Om Prakash Sharma

Paper was selected for presentation in the PAA Annual meeting, 2021.

3. **Paper Title:** Gone and Forgotten? Constructing Fertility Histories and Sources of Bias

**Authors:** Sharan Sharma, Sonalde Desai, Santanu Pramanik, Debasis Barik and Om Prakash Sharma

Poster was selected for presentation in the PAA Annual meeting, 2021.

4. Presented on “Primary Data Collection: Challenges and Strategies” at National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi, July 23, 2018

5. **Paper Title:** Measurement Errors in Fertility History and Their Implication for Fertility and Mortality Estimates

**Authors:** Debasis Barik, Sonalde Desai, Reeve Vanneman and Om Prakash Sharma

Paper was selected for presentation in the PAA Annual meeting, 2017.

#### **Research and Policy Briefs:**

1. "A Glass Half Full: Changes in Standards of Living since 2012". India Human Development Data Brief, 2020. Desai, Sonalde, Manjistha Banerji, Debasis Barik, Dinesh Tiwari and Om Prakash Sharma.
2. Resourced Appendix I Sharma, O.P. and Dinesh Tiwari. 2015. "India Human Development Survey?", in *Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act: A Catalyst for Rural Transformation*, Sonalde Desai, Prem Vashishtha and Omkar Joshi (eds.) 165-171. New Delhi: National Council of Applied Economic Research.

#### **Personal Details:**

Date of Birth	:	July 30, 1959
Sex	:	Male
Marital Status	:	Widowed
Languages Known	:	English, Hindi