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## Education

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### **Doctor of Philosophy (PhD.) Development Studies**

Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC)

**Research Topic:** Labour Force Participation of Married Women in India: A Study of Urban Delhi  
(Submitted and Expected December 2023)

### **Master of Arts (Social Work) with specialisation in Rural Development**

Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS)

**Master's Dissertation Topic** – Impact of Various Institution on the Life of Street Children

### **Bachelor of Science (BSc)**

Miranda House, University of Delhi

## Work Experience

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- **Guest Faculty – Department of Social Work at Gautam Budh University, Noida** Oct 20 – Mar 21
  
- **Research Assistant with Tata Institute of Social Sciences** Mar 16 – May 16  
on project - “Community Satisfaction with CSR Initiatives of JSW Foundation”
  
- **Project Officer – Health and Education at Praja Foundation** May 15 – Feb 16  
- Responsible for end-to-end management of different research projects on state of health and education in Mumbai. This involves coordination of data collection from various government organization, filing of RTI applications and appeals, data analysis and interpretation, preparation of research reports, dissemination of reports to various stakeholders such as municipal councillors, MLAs, district administration, ministers etc.
  
- **Research Assistant with Tata Institute of Social Sciences** Jun 14 – Apr 15  
on project – “A comparative Study of Children Born with Cleft Lips and Palates in India Responsible for coordination of field survey in **Rajasthan and Punjab** and interactions with various stakeholders such as hospitals, district administration, Local government bodies etc, data analysis and preparation of research report.

## Publications

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### Journal Article

- Thakur Jyoti (2023). Exploring gender role attitude of stay-at-home and employed married women in Delhi. SN Social Sciences.
- Thakur Jyoti (2023). Falling between the cracks: Women's work and the periodic labour force survey. Indian Journal of Gender Studies, 30 (2), 1-8.
- Thakur, J. & Marchang, R. (2023). *Time allocation and gender inequalities: A time-use comparison*. (ISEC Working paper no. 549), Institute for social and economic change, Bangalore.
- Thakur, J. & Marchang, R. (2022). *Locating married women in urban labour force: How India is faring in 21<sup>st</sup> century*. (ISEC Working paper no. 540), Institute for social and economic change, Bangalore.

### Manuscripts submitted

- Thakur, J.& Madheswaran, S. (2024). A Cross-Regional Exploration of Factors Influencing Labor Force Participation Among Married Women: India vs. Delhi. Submitted to Management and Labour Studies, Sage.
- Thakur, J. (2024). In the Heart of Motherhood: Exploring the Influence of Education, Culture, and Employment on Motherhood Ideologies in Delhi. ANTYAJAA: Indian journal of Women and Social Change, Sage

### Editorials

- Thakur, J. & Ghosh, PK. (2024) Why caste should inform debates on inequality in the country. <https://indianexpress.com/article/opinion/columns/why-caste-should-inform-debates-on-inequality-in-the-country-9398419/>
- Thakur, J. (2024). Shifting Focus: Beyond High-Profile Cases, A Broader Crisis of Abuse [https://theguardian.com/shifting-focus-beyond-high-profile-cases-a-broader-crisis-of-abuse/#google\\_vignette](https://theguardian.com/shifting-focus-beyond-high-profile-cases-a-broader-crisis-of-abuse/#google_vignette)
- Thakur, J. & Singh D. (2024). Household illiteracy: The silent epidemic extracting a heavy human cost. <https://www.policycircle.org/opinion/household-illiteracy-in-india/>
- Thakur, J. & Kaushik. N. (2024). Female representation in politics a story of missed opportunities. <https://www.ncaer.org/news/female-representation-in-politics-a-story-of-missed-opportunities>
- Thakur, J. (2024). Unemployment figures hide widening job gap in South Asia. <https://www.policycircle.org/opinion/unemployment-rate-and-job-gap/#:~:text=Moving%20beyond%20unemployment&text=Globally%2C%20the%20projected%20job%20gap,yet%20the%20gender%20disparity%20persists.>
- Thakur, J. (2024). Persisting gender gap in STEM jobs. <https://www.deccanherald.com/opinion/persisting-gender-gap-in-stem-jobs-2928872>

- Thakur, J & Munjal, P. (2024). Deciphering barriers, leveraging opportunity  
<https://www.deccanherald.com/opinion/deciphering-barriers-leveraging-opportunities-2836082>
- Thakur, J & Mishra, K.(2023).Women workers and Goldin’s hypothesis.  
<https://www.deccanherald.com/opinion/women-workers-and-goldins-hypothesis-2743893>
- Thakur, J. (2021). Women in Higher Education: A long way to go.  
<https://www.deccanherald.com/opinion/panorama/women-in-higher-education-a-long-way-to-go-1009158.html>
- Thakur, J. (2020). Atamanirbhar Bharat & Women’s Economic Empowerment through the Lens of Gender Equity. <https://feminisminindia.com/2020/11/18/atmanirbhar-bharat-women-in-labour-force/>
- Thakur, J. (2018). Married women in urban workforce in India: Insights from NSSO data. *Urdhva Mula*, Vol.11

## Awards and Grants

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- Sir Ratan Tata Trust Travel Grant – 2023
- Senior Research Fellow (UGC) - 2021
- Junior Research Fellow (UGC) – 2018
- ICSSR Institutional Doctoral Fellow – 2016

## Professional Membership

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- International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE)

## Paper Presentations/Workshops

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### National

- Presented paper title “Labour force participation of married women in urban India: A cross sectional analysis” in 62nd Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics , Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Roorkee, Uttarakhand *Apr 22*
- Attended Research Methodology Course on Large Scale Surveys: Data Analysis and Tools, at NIEPA, New Delhi *Aug 19*
- Attended Winter School in Econometrics at Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune *Dec 19*
- Presented Paper in NITI Aayog International Conference on Empowering Women: Fostering Entrepreneurship, Innovation & Sustainability, Delhi *Jul 18*
- Attended Course on research methods in gender issues in labour at V.V Giri National Labour Institute, Noida *Dec 17*
- Attended Twelfth Short Term Training Programme on Methods and Approaches in Research on Migration Issues at CDS, Kerala *Nov 17*

- Presented a paper on “Funds, Functions and Functionaries to the Panchayati Raj Institutions in India: A Review through Devolution Index Reports” in National seminar on 25 years of Panchayati Raj Institutions reforms in India: Experiences, Achievements and Challenges, Tirupati, AP *Aug 17*
- Attended XV National Conference of Women's Studies – Chennai *Jan 17*
- Attended workshop on Research Methodology, Indian Social Institute *Sept 16*
- Presented a paper on “Addressing peace and conflict resolution through education” in National Students’ seminar paper presentation at National Rural Youth Fest *2014*
- Attended workshop on National Rural Livelihood Mission, TISS Mumbai *2013*
- Attended National Workshop on Gender and labour Studies in India, TISS *2012*

### **International**

- Presented paper on “persisting gender inequality: time use for paid and unpaid work in 6th SANEM Annual Economists’ Conference (SAEC) 2023: "Building Resilience to Shocks: Priorities, Challenges and Prospects", Dhaka (Bangladesh) *Feb 23*
- Presented a paper on “Economic activity of women in Polish and Indian families- A historical analysis” in 41<sup>st</sup> International association for time-use research (IATUR) conference, Washington, D.C. (USA) *Jul 19*
- Presented a paper on “Collection method of time use survey” in 40<sup>th</sup> International association for time use research (IATUR) conference, Budapest (Hungary) *Oct 18*

### **Field Work**

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- **Lokpanchayat - Ahmed Nagar District, Maharashtra** – The objective of this field work study was to understand the practical approach towards micro planning. Our team prepared micro-plans for two Villages – Phopsandi and Paregaon.
- **KHOJ – Melghat District, Maharashtra** – At Khoj, we learned the approach towards Advocacy. Our team took the issue of MGNREGA and Malnutrition in the Melghat district for advocacy.
- **OPDSC (Orissa Professional Development Service Consultants)** – Rayagada District, Odisha (PIA – Odisha Watershed Development Mission) – The objective for this field work was to understand various elements of the watershed management projects in Rayagada district.

### **Internship and Volunteer Experience**

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- Interned with Aman Biradri in Delhi *May 13*
- Organized an awareness campaign in support of Delhi rape case victim In Tuljapur, Maharashtra *Dec 12*
- Interned with Pratham Open School Project in Rajasthan *Oct 12*

- Worked with **Urja** – a NGO working in the field of rehabilitation of commercial sex workers– worked as research intern for a research project title  
*“Intergenerational Prostitution amongst Peran community of Najafgarh – A study to Understand the Causes and Consequences”* Sept 11- Feb 12
- Worked with **Prayas** as a volunteer 2006-07

## **IT Skills**

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- NSS and NFHS data extraction and analysis
- Stata
- Microsoft Office package
- R software
- DevInfo Software

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