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## Academic Qualifications

Ph. D. (Econ.), Sambalpur University, 1993

M. Phil. (Econ.), Sambalpur University, 1987

M. A. (Econ.), Sambalpur University, 1985

## Research Interests

Public Finance

Power Sector

Environmental and Natural Resource Economics

Poverty, Disparities and Rural Economics

## Policy Advisory Capacity

**Member** of Subject Research Committee (SRC), Analytical & Applied Economics, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar w.e.f. 16.11.2011

**Member** of Curriculum Development Committee, School of Development Studies (Economics), Central University of Orissa w.e.f. 16.11.2010.

**Expert** of Regional Imbalance Enquiry Commission, nominated by the Govt. of Orissa on 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2007.

**Consumer counsel** for Orissa Electricity Regulatory Commission, to analyse the ARR and Tariff proposal of Distribution/Generation Companies for the FY 2007-08, FY 2008-09, FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11.

**Member of Stakeholder Executive Committee**, to monitor the Impact of Naraj Barrage on eco-system of Chilika Lake, Constituted by the Dept. of Water Resources, Government of Orissa during October, 2005.

**Consultant** to the Finance Department, Government of Orissa for preparation of Memorandum to the Twelfth and Thirteenth Finance Commissions.

**Consultant** to the State Finance Commission, Government of Orissa from 22.10.1998 to 30.12.1998.

**Member of working group**, constituted by the Government of Orissa in 1996, to study the design of Value Added Tax in Orissa.

## Selected Publications

### Books

- *Migrants in Urban Informal Sector* (Co-author), **SSDN Publishers & Distributors**, New Delhi, 2014.
- *Environmental Degradation of Lagoon in India* (Co-author), **SSDN Publishers & Distributors**, New Delhi, 2013.
- *Migration of Workers to Urban Informal Sector* (Co-author), **Avon Publications**, New Delhi, 2012.
- *State, NGOs and Disaster Management* (Co-author), **Rawat Publications**, Jaipur, 2005.
- *Freedom from Hunger: Issues, Options and Challenges* (Co-author), **Anmol Publications Pvt. Ltd.**, New Delhi, 2004.

### Papers in Journals/Edited Books

- Urban Local Governance: A Case Study of Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation, (Co-author), *Vision*, Vol.34, No.1, January-March 2014.
- 'Financial Inclusion in India: An Inter-State Analysis', in P. Mishra, A.R. Behera and H.S. Rout (eds.), *Financial Inclusion, Inclusive Growth and the Poor*, New Century Publications, New Delhi, 2014.
- Power Sector Reform and Pricing of Electricity: The Odisha Experience, *Journal of Asian and African Studies*, Vol.48, No.4, August 2013.
- Odisha Power Sector Reform, Role of Regulatory Commission and performance of Electricity Distribution Companies, (Co-author), *The Odisha Review*, Vol.59, No.10, May 2013.
- National Child Labour Project and rehabilitation of Child Labour: A Study in Bargarh District of Odisha, *The Asian Economic Review*, Vol.55, No.1, April 2013.
- MGNREGA and Women Empowerment: An Empirical Investigation in Odisha, *Orissa Economic Journal*, Vol.44, No. 1&2, January-June & July-December, 2012.
- Relative Tax Efforts of States in India: With Special Reference to Odisha, *Ravenshaw Journal of Economics*, Vol.1, No.1, 2012.
- The Growth and Composition of Public Expenditure in Odisha, (Co-author), *Vision*, Vol.32, No.2&3, April – September 2012.
- Assessment of Household Exposure to Air Pollution in the Peripheral Villages of NALCO, (Co-author), *Vision*, Vol.32, No.1, January-March 2012.
- Management of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act: Issues and Challenges in Orissa, (Co-author), *LBS Journal of Management and Research*, Vol.8, No.1, January-June 2010.
- 'Inter-State Disparities in Fiscal Capacities and Fiscal Transfers in India', in V. Upadhyay, Sakti Kab, K. Barik and T. Ravikumar (eds) *The Development Process in India: From Statism to Neo-Liberalism*, Daanish Books, New Delhi, 2009.
- Impact of Microfinance on Poverty: A Study of Self-Help Groups in Orissa, *Journal of Rural Development*, Vol.26, No.3, 2007.

- ‘Environmental Degradation and Deterioration of Chilika: Sources and Magnitude’, (Co-author), in Pratap K. Mohanty (ed), *Lakes and Coastal Wetlands: Conservation, Restoration and Management*, Capital Publishing Company, New Delhi, 2007.
- ‘Women and Natural Disasters: Making the Connections’, in M. Swain, J. Lenka and M. Mallik (eds.), *Gender Perspective in Disaster Management*, Serial Publications, New Delhi, 2007.
- Impact of Expenditure Compression on Growth and Poverty in Orissa, *The Asian Economic Review*, Vol. 48, No. 3, December 2006.
- ‘Regeneration of Degraded Forests in Orissa: A Case Study’, in P. Mishra (ed.), *Natural Resources and Economic Development*, Deep and Deep Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2006.
- Common Property Resource Management, in *Economics of Social Sector and Environment*, IGNOU, New Delhi, August 2006.
- Estimation of Two-Variable Regression Model, in *Econometric Models*, IGNOU, New Delhi, 2006.
- Statistical Inference in Simple Regression Models, in *Econometric Models*, IGNOU, New Delhi, 2006.
- Multiple Regression Model, in *Econometric Models*, IGNOU, New Delhi, 2006.
- Heteroscedasticity, in *Econometric Models*, IGNOU, New Delhi, 2006.
- Errors in Variables, in *Econometric Models*, IGNOU, New Delhi, 2006.
- Generalised Least Squares, in *Econometric Models*, IGNOU, New Delhi, 2006.
- Role of Microfinance in Reduction of Chronic Poverty: A Study of Women Self-Help Groups in Koraput District, Orissa, *Vision*, Vol.26, No.3, July-September 2006.
- Human Development in Orissa: An Inter-State and Inter-District Analysis, *Indian Journal of Regional Science*, Vol. 37, No. 1, 2005.
- Health Status and Health Care Infrastructure in Orissa: Accessibility, Utilisation and Reform Initiatives, *Orissa Economic Journal*, Vol.36, Nos 1&2, January-June & July – December, 2004.
- Growth, Poverty and Livelihood, (Co-author), in *Human Development Report*, Government of Orissa, 2004.
- Vulnerability Reduction for Sustainable Development: The Context of Natural Disasters, (Co-author), in *Human Development Report*, Government of Orissa, 2004.
- Strategy and Financing of Human Development, in *Human Development Report*, Government of Orissa, 2004.
- Dynamics of Economic Development in Orissa, *Review of Development and Change*, Vol. 13, No. 2, July-Dec. 2003.
- Environment and Natural Resources in Orissa, *Journal of Social and Economic Development*, Vol. 5, No.1, Jan-June 2003.
- Fishing Communities on Chilika Lake: Comparative Socio-Economic Study, (Co-author), *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 38, No. 31, Aug 2-8, 2003.
- Cooperative Societies of Fishermen of Chilika Lake: Problems and Prospects, (Co-author), *Journal of Rural Development*, Vol. 22, No. 4, October-December 2003.

- Sustainable Development in Orissa: Issues and Options, *Orissa Economic Journal*, Vol.35, Nos1&2, January-June & July-December 2003.
- Management of Natural Resources, People's Participation and Sustainable Development: A Study of Watershed Development Projects in Orissa', *IASSI Quarterly*, Vol. 20, No. 4, April-June 2002.
- Migrants in Urban Informal Sector: Case Study of Five Class-I Towns and Five Villages in Orissa, (Co-author), *Artha Vijnana*, Vol. 44, No. 1, March 2002.
- Elimination of Hunger: A Study in an Underdeveloped Block of Orissa, (Co-author), *Man and Development*, Vol. 24, No. 2, June 2002.
- Natural Resource Assessment: Endowment, Utilisation and Degradation, (Co-author), in *Orissa Development Report*, Planning Commission, Government of India, 2002.
- Fiscal Imbalances: Dimensions, Issues and Implications, in *Orissa Development Report*, Planning Commission, Government of India, 2002.
- 'Role of Sericulture Industry in the Economic Development of India', in B. Misra, G.C. Kar and S.N. Misra (eds) *Agro-Industries and Economic Development: A Vision for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, Deep & Deep Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, 2002. (also published in *Vision*, Vol.19, No. 3-4, January-June 2000).
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- Horizontal Fiscal Imbalance, Award of the Finance Commission and Sustainability of Federalism in India, *Orissa Economic Journal*, Vol.33, Nos 1&2, Jan.-June and July-Dec. 2001.
- Financing Development in Orissa: Issues and Challenges, *Orissa Economic Journal*, Vol.32, Nos 1&2, Jan.-June and July-Dec. 2000.
- 'Impact of Irrigation Systems on Agricultural Development: A Study of Three Districts in Orissa', (Co-author), in M. Swain and D.K. Das (eds), *Emerging Trends and reforms in Irrigation in India: A Perspective of Orissa*, M.D. Publishers, 1999.
- How Geographical Distance Play a Role in Rural-to-Urban Migration and Migrants Link with Their Natives: A Study of Two Modern, Planned Class-I Towns of Orissa, (Co-author), *Margin*, Vol. 30, No. 4, July-Sept. 1998.
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- Changing Pattern of Food Demand in India: An Inter-State Analysis, *Orissa Economic Journal*, Vol.29, Nos 1&2, Jan.-June & July-Dec. 1997.
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- Growth, Structure and Working of Small Scale Industries in Orissa, *Orissa Economic Journal*, Vol.27, Nos 1&2, Jan.-June & July-Dec. 1995.

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