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RESEARCH FIELDS Development Economics (Primary), Political Economics (Secondary), Applied Econometrics (Secondary)

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, California USA

Ph.D. Candidate, Agricultural and Resource Economics, *Expected graduation date: May 2020*
- Advisor: Aprajit Mahajan

M.S., Agricultural and Resource Economics, May 2016

University of California, Berkeley, California USA

M.P.P., Public Policy, May, 2010

B.M.S. College of Engineering, Bangalore, India

B.E., Computer Science, May, 2004

HONORS AND AWARDS
- IRLE Graduate Student Research Award, US$ 6000, with Vaishnavi Surendra, 2018
- ATAI Grant, US$ 223,565, with Aprajit Mahajan, Xavier Gine and Anup Malani, 2017
- IGC Grant, £50,000 with Aprajit Mahajan (PI), 2017
- Levin Family Fellowship, US$ 800, with Louis Peronas and Fiona Burlig, 2015
- Maharaj Kaul Research Travel Grant 2015, US$ 1000
- USAID DIV Award, US$99,632, with Arun Chandrasekhar, Emily Breza and Ashish Shenoy, 2013
- Berkeley International Office Graduate Student Fellowship, 2009, 2010
- Jacob K. Javits Summer Fellowship, 2009

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of California, Berkeley, California USA
Graduate Student Researcher   **August, 2014 - present**
- Supervised by Elisabeth Sadoulet and Alain de Janvry; Supreet Kaur and Emily Breza; Aprajit Mahajan

Graduate Student Instructor
- International Economic Development Policy (Masters Level), **Fall 2017**
- Economic Development (Senior Undergraduate Level), **Fall 2016**
- Macroeconomic Analysis (Intermediate Undergraduate Level), **Spring 2010**
- Economic History (Intermediate Undergraduate Level), **Fall 2009**

RESEARCH MANAGEMENT AND TRAINING EXPERIENCE

J-PAL, South Asia
Research Associate/Research Manager/Senior Research Manager **August, 2010 - June 2014**
- Managed large scale RCTs, lab-in-field, and field experiments across India
- PIs: Abhijit Banerjee, Emily Breza, Arun Chandrasekhar, Esther Duflo, Iqbal Dhaliwal, Rema Hanna

Training Assistant
- Impact Evaluation for Public Policy Improvement (An Executive Education Program), **2012**
- Impact Evaluation Methods (Annual J-PAL/IPA Staff Training), **2011, 2012**

WORKING PAPERS	Rao, M., Local Economic Development and the Political Economy of Village Councils in India.
	Rao, M. and Surendra, V., Gender Wage Gap in Agricultural Labor Markets in Rural India.
BOOK CHAPTER	de Janvry, A, Rao, M, and Sadoulet, E (2017), Adjusting extension models to the ways farmers learn. In A. de Janvry, K. Macours, and E. Sadoulet (Eds.), Learning for adopting: Technology adoption in developing country agriculture (pp 71-83), Clermont-Ferrand, France: FERDI
WORK IN PROGRESS	Rao, M., Estimating the Cost of Judicial Delays on Indian Firms *Analysis ongoing*
	Gine, X., Mahajan, A., Malani, A., and Rao, M., Mission Kakatiya: Impact Evaluation of Minor Irrigation Tank Rehabilitation in Telangana *Experimental intervention ongoing*
	Gine, X., Mahajan, A., Malani, A., and Rao, M., The Power of Agency: Evidence from India *Pilots ongoing*
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	Rao, M., Impact Evaluation of Population, Health and Nutrition Programs, *PHFI*, New Delhi, India, 2013
	Dhaliwal, I., and Hanna, R. 2011, Integrated Medical Information and Disease Surveillance in Primary Health Centres, Saving Lives at Birth Washington D.C., USA, 2011

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The World Bank, Washington, District of Columbia USA
Consultant   **June, 2018**
Literature review for Justice Flagship Report

Asian Development Bank, Manila, Philippines
Summer Intern, Consultant - Aid for trade   **June, 2009 - August, 2010**

Janaagraha, Bangalore, India
Advocacy Associate   **Sep, 2006 - Apr, 2008**

Infosys, Bangalore, India
Software Engineer   **July, 2004 - Dec, 2004**

SKILLS

- Statistical Packages: R, Stata
- Computer Languages: Python, some C++ and Java (from earlier life)
- Applications: LaTeX
- Languages: English (Fluent), Hindi (Fluent), Kannada (Native), Tamil (Basic)

SERVICE

- Co-Director, Mentorship, Women in Economics, UC Berkeley **2015-present**
- Department Coffee Hour, UC Berkeley **2015-16**