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Academic Qualifications:

M.Sc. in Economics, 1990 from the University of Burdwan, Burdwan, West Bengal, India with specialisation Theoretical Statistics and Econometrics.

M.Phil in Economics with specialisation Macro economic Policy, from the University of Burdwan, Burdwan, West Bengal, India in 1993.

Title of M. Phil. Dissertation:

Changes in Population, Employment and the Pattern of Occupational Distribution in West Bengal (1981-1991)

Ph.D. from University of Burdwan, Burdwan, West Bengal, India in 2001 on ***Crop Diversification in West Bengal during 1970-71 to 1994-95.***

Specialised area of Research: Agricultural and rural Economics, Environmental Economics and Gender Studies.

Experiences:

Teaching:

- (i) Lecturer, Department of Analytical & Applied Economics, Tripura University since Nov. 4, 1994 to Nov. 3, 1999.
- (ii) Senior Lecturer, Department of Analytical & Applied Economics, Tripura University since Nov. 4, 1999 to Oct. 3, 2001.
- (iii) Reader, Department of Economics, North-Eastern Hill University, since Oct. 4, 2001 till date.
- (iv) Worked as an Academic Counsellor in Indira Gandhi National Open University, Agartala Study Centre, for almost seven years.

Administrative:

Worked as an In-charge of the Department of A & A Economics, Tripura University, during 1996-97 session.

Publications:

(a) Books:

- (i) **Authored:** *Economics of Crop Diversification*, Akansha Publishing House: New Delhi, 2003.

(ii) Co-authored and co-edited: *Education in North East India: Experience and Challenge*, in press, (forthcoming from Concept Publishing House, New Delhi).

(iii) Co-authored and co-edited: *Issues on Empowerment of Women*, in press, (forthcoming from Mohit Publications, New Delhi)

(b) Articles in Journals and Edited Books:

(i) With Dr. S K Datta (B.U.) (1996), “Reliability of Liberalisation Policy - A Productivity Oriented Analysis”, *Productivity*, Vol. 37, No. 2, July-Sept., pp. 310-314.

(ii) De, U. K. (1998), “Regional Disparity in Agricultural Productivity in the State of West Bengal”, *Productivity*, Vol. 39, No. 3, Oct.- Dec., pp. 508-515.

(iii) ,, (1999), “Nature and Causes of Inter-District Variation in Yield of Rice in West Bengal during 1970-71 to 1994-95”, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 59, No. 4, Oct.-Dec., pp. 554-565.

(iv) ,, (2000), “Diversification of Crop in West Bengal : A Spatio-Temporal Analysis”, *Artha Vijana*, Vol. XLII, No.2, June, pp. 170-182.

(v) ,, (2000-01), “Cropping Pattern and Agricultural Development in West Bengal during 1970-71 to 1994-95”, *The Indian Economic Journal*, Vol.48, No.4, April-June, pp. 68-77.

(vi) ,, (2003) “Changing Cropping System in Theory and Practice – An Economic Insight into the Agrarian West Bengal”, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 58, No.1, Jan.-March, pp. 64 - 83.

(vii) ,, (2003) “Economic Incentive and Environmental Management – A Study of Forestry in North-East India” published in *Environmental Issues of North East India*, Ed. by Zahid Husain, Regency Publications, New Delhi, pp. 170 – 188.

(viii) ,, “Food Security and PDS in Tripura : A Policy Intervention” *forthcoming in Food Security and Public Distribution*, Edited by Prof. A. Banerjee, former Professor of Rabindra Bharati University, West Bengal.

(ix) ,, “Problems and Prospects of Panchayati Raj: An Evaluation in the Context of Tripura”, *forthcoming in next special issue of Development Digest*.

(x) ,, “Food Security and The Related Issues: Some Reflections on the State of Tripura” (communicated)

(xi) With B. Ghosh: “Women and Development in Rural India” (**forthcoming**) in B. (SRU, ISI, Calcutta) Datta Ray and G. Das edited *Dimensions of Rural Development in North-East India*.

(xii) De, U. K. “Status of Education in North-East India -Some Reflections, (*forthcoming*).

- (xiii) With B. Ghosh; “Leadership and the Performance of Panchayat in Rural Development: Experience from Tripura (communicated).
- (xiv) -----, “Status and Empowerment of Women vis-à-vis Development and Welfare” (**forthcoming** in the edited volume, *Issues on Empowerment of Women*, by U.K. De & B. Ghosh, from Mohit Publications, New Delhi).
- (xv) -----, “Empowerment of Women and Politics” (**forthcoming** in the edited volume, *Issues on Empowerment of Women*, by U.K. De & B. Ghosh from Mohit Publications, New Delhi).
- (xvi) -----, “A Note on Panchayati Raj in Tripura”, (communicated)

Book Review: *Rural Women Leadership* by Bhola Nath Ghosh, Mohit Publications, New Delhi, 2002 in the *Journal of North-East India Council for Social Science Research*, Oct., 2003.

Training:

- (i) Participated in a three-week course on Research Methodology of Urban Studies, organised by Centre for Urban Economic Studies, University of Calcutta from January 30 to February 19, 1995.
- (ii) Attended and successfully completed the UGC sponsored Orientation Programme At the Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, from March 14 to April 12, 1997.
- (iii) Participated in “The Winter School on Statistical Methods in Social Sciences”, at the Indian Statistical Institute, Calcutta during Oct. 20 – Nov.8, 1997.
- (iv) Participated and Successfully completed the World Bank sponsored “Faculty Upgradation Programme in Environmental Economics”, at the Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, during Oct.11 – Nov. 5, 1999.
- (v) Participated in a UGC sponsored three-week Refresher Course at the University of Burdwan from 15-2-2001 to 7-3-2001.

Seminar:

Participated and presented papers, in around, a dozen of national and regional seminars, conferences and workshops.

Project Completed:

- (i) Submitted Final Report of the minor research project (sponsored by UGC under unassigned grant scheme) on “District-wise Variation in Agricultural Production, Productivity and Cropping Pattern in West Bengal since 1970-71” at Tripura University.
- (ii) Submitted Final Report of the minor research project (sponsored by UGC under unassigned grant scheme) on “Adoption of Modern Technology in Agriculture - A Study of West Bengal”.

Commissioned Research Paper Submitted:

Submitted a commissioned research paper entitled “The Structural change and Industrial progress in North-East India in relation to its condition of Resources” to ICSSR – NERC as a part of the study on “The Structural Change and Strategy of Development: Resource – Industry Linkages in North Eastern Region” initiated by ICSSR – NERC, Shillong.