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Educational Qualifications

Qualification	Institution/Board/University	Duration	Score
PhD (Economics)	Madras Institute of Development Studies (MIDS), Chennai – Affiliated to University of Madras	June 2015 -	
MPS (Master of Population Studies)	International Institute of Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai	2013-2014	6/10 CGPA
PGDCA	Pondicherry University, Puducherry.	2012-2013	73%
MA (Applied Economics)		2011-2013	62%
BA (Economics)	VHNSNC, Virudhunagar - Affiliated to Madurai Kamaraj University,	2008-2011	65%
Higher Secondary (HSC)	SHNE Hr. Sec. School, Sattur. (State Board of Tamil Nadu)	2006-2007	80%
Class 10 (SSLC)		2004-2005	57%

Present Work:

Currently, I am employed as an Assistant Professor at the Madras School of Social Work, where I am responsible for teaching courses in Development Economics, Data Analysis, and Principles of Economics for the MA Development Studies program. Additionally, I am in the final stage of my PhD research on 'An Analysis of Industrialisation and Socio-economic Mobility of People in the Fireworks Industry Cluster in Sivakasi Taluk, Virudhunagar District.

Work Experience:

Assistant Professor, Department of Development Studies, Madras School of Social Work, Chennai. (Since July 2022)

Responsibilities:

Handling the Subjects of Development Economics, Principles of Economics, Data Analysis and Community Health & Education

Research Associate, “A Survey on the Mapping of Customer Profiles in Amma Unavagam in Chennai City” Madras School of Social Work, Chennai. (January – March 2023)

Responsibilities:

Trained the field investigators to collect data using the CAPI tool, monitored the collected data, and conducted field visits and operations.

Teaching Assistant, SACCA Institute of Freight and Tourism, Chennai. (May 2018 – April 2019)

Responsibilities:

Handled the subjects of Economics of Tourism, Foundation in Tourism and Travel Industry, and other allied subjects related to the travel industry

Field Investigator, Agrarian Relations in India (PARI), Foundation of Agrarian Studies, Bangalore. (May – June 2019)

Responsibilities:

The primary responsibility of this job was to collect data on various income sources of households in the villages of Venmani and Palakurichi in Tamil Nadu. The secondary responsibility was to gather data on agrarian relations in these villages. To accomplish this, I managed a 17-page questionnaire for each household, which enabled me to collect the aforementioned data.

Certificate Course and FDP:

- Completed a four-week Online Certificate Course on “Outcome-Based Pedagogic Principles for Effective Teaching” offered by IIT Kharagpur through the NPTEL Platform (February-March 2023).
- Completed an online one-week Faculty Development Program on "Data Analysis Using R" from 08 - 14 May 2023, conducted by the Teaching Learning Centre, Ramanujan College, University of Delhi.

Eligibility Exams for Teaching:

- Cleared UGC-NET in Economics (December 2014 and December 2015).
- Cleared UGC-NET in Population Studies (December 2013).

Academic Awards and Fellowships:

- Visited the University of Lausanne, Switzerland, under the Indo-Swiss Scholars Exchange Program for a joint research program titled 'The Globalisation of Indian Urban Systems' in May 2016.
- Received ICSSR Institutional fellowship 2014 – 2017 for PhD.
- Received Government of India fellowship 2013 – 2014 for MPS.
- Secured Second Rank in Madurai Kamaraj University in B.A. Economics (2008-11).

Academic Projects:

- "Health, Hygiene, and Sanitation in Sivaji Nagar, Mumbai" (2014), a group project submitted to the International Institute of Population Sciences as a part of coursework for Masters in Population Studies (MPS).
- "Frailty and its Association with Subjective Well-being of Older Adults in India" (2014), a term paper submitted to the International Institute of Population Sciences as a part of coursework for Masters in Population Studies.
- "Caste System and Socio-economic Status of *Vannars* (Washermen caste in Tamil Nadu)" (2013), a dissertation submitted to the Department of Economics, Pondicherry University, as a part of MA (Applied Economics) coursework.

Workshops/Conferences:

Presented

- "*Caste, Labour Mobilisation, and Ascendancy in the Fireworks Industrial Cluster in Sivakasi,*" paper presented at the Dr. John Matthai Memorial National Conference on "Development and Resilience among Dalits in India: Understanding Diversity between and within States," jointly organized by the Department of Economics, University of Calicut, Dr. John Matthai Centre, Thrissur, State Planning Board, Government of Kerala,

Thiruvananthapuram, and Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA), Thrissur during 9th - 11th January 2020.

- "*Occupational Structure of the Fireworks Industry Cluster in Sivakasi*," paper presented at the 13th Annual Conference organized by ICFAI Business School, Hyderabad, held online during 08th - 09th October 2020.
- "*Fireworks Industries in Sivakasi: A Cluster-Based Approach*," paper presented in the two-day workshop on "Research in South Asian Studies: A platform for Dialogue," organized by the French Institute of Pondicherry, Puducherry, during 20th - 21st July 2017.
- "*Tourism Development and Environment*," paper presented at the State-level intercollegiate Students' Seminar organized by the Department of Economics, Thiagarajar College, Madurai, on 24th September 2010.
- "*Indoor Air Pollution and Health*," paper presented at the UGC-sponsored state-level seminar on Global Environmental Issues and its Impact on Health in India, organized by the Department of Economics, The Madura College, Madurai, on 28th September 2010.

Participated

- One-day national workshop on "Evidence-based Policy Making: Indian Experience with National Databases on GDP, Manufacturing, and Employment," organized by Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai on 20th March 2019.
- Workshop on "Contemporary Issues in Rural India," organized by the Foundation of Agrarian Studies at M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai during 1st - 2nd March 2019.
- Participated in the training on 'Multicriteria Mapping (MCM)' on 17th December 2018 and facilitated elicitation from respondents on 18th-19th December 2018, during a workshop on MCM conducted as a part of the collaborative project "Relational Pathways: Mapping Agency and Poverty Dynamics through Green Revolutions," coordinated by the University of Sussex, United Kingdom, and Madras Institute of Development Studies at MIDS, Chennai.
- Five-day Orientation Programme for Faculty and Research Scholars of SC/ST and other Marginalized Groups on "Critical Social Science Perspectives: Understanding Theories and Praxis," organized by Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, and Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi, at MIDS, Chennai during 25th - 29th July 2017.
- Five-day Orientation Programme for Faculty and Research Scholars of SC/ST and other Marginalized Groups, organized by Madras Institute of Development Studies during 7th - 11th March 2016.
- Five-day ICSSR sponsored "Interdisciplinary Research Methodology Workshop," organized by Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, and Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Sriperumpudur, held at RGNIYD during 7th - 11th July 2015.
- "Census Data Dissemination Workshop, 2014," organized by the Directorate of Census Operations, Tamil Nadu, and Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, on 15th December 2014 at Triple Helix Auditorium, Central Leather Research Institute, Chennai.
- 48th Annual Conference of The Indian Econometric Society (TIES) organized by the Department of Economics, Pondicherry University, Puducherry between 01st and 03rd March 2012.
- Two-day national seminar on "The Role of Self-Help Groups: Towards the Achievement of Inclusive Growth in Rural India," sponsored by the UGC and organized by the Department of Economics, VHNSN College, Virudhunagar on 06th and 07th January 2011.

- Participated and secured third place in the State-level Quiz Competition conducted by Economics Association, Department of Economics, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai on 22nd September 2010.
- One-day state-level seminar on "Dimensions of the Indian Economy Since 1991," organized by the Department of Economics, VHN Senthikumara Nadar College, Virudhunagar on 12th March 2010.
- National seminar on Quality Enhancement and Sustenance in the institutions of Higher Educations with Rural and Semi-Urban Background at GVN College, Kovilpatti, on 7th and 8th October 2010.

Responsibility:

- 2012-13 Student Representative for the Program Committee, Department of Economics, Pondicherry University, on behalf of the II M.A., Applied Economics Batch

Languages Known:

- Tamil and English (to speak, read and write).
- Hindi and Malayalam (Beginner Level)

Computer Proficiency:

- Statistical Packages; SPSS, STATA
- Microsoft Office (Excel-Intermediate Level, Word, and PowerPoint)
- Canva Designing

Voluntary service:

- Volunteer, National Service Scheme (NSS) and Red Ribbon Club during under graduation 2008 – 11.

Life Skills and Hobbies

- Two and Four -Wheeler Driving,
- Swimming
- Reading Tamil Novels

Personal Details:

Father's Name : Karuppasamy M
 Mother's name : Mariammal K (Late)
 Date of birth : 16-03-1990
 Gender : Male
 Community and Caste : MBC - Vannar
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References:

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