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From the Desk of the Director & Senior Professor, IIPS

I am delighted to learn that the Centre of Demography of Gender (CDG) is releasing the third edition of newsletter. It is encouraging to see that CDG actively spearheading a range of initiatives and events aimed at advancing gender science within the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS) and across the country. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt congratulations to all CDG members and staff for their unwavering dedication and commendable efforts in bringing out this valuable edition.



Prof. Sanjay Kumar Mohanty
Director and Senior Professor
IIPS, Mumbai

From the Desk of Head, Centre of Demography of Gender

I am pleased to present the third edition of the annual newsletter of the Centre of Demography of Gender. This publication serves as a platform to share updates on our activities and events aimed at advancing gender science and fostering dialogue among academics, researchers, policymakers, and other stakeholders.

This issue highlights key initiatives undertaken by CDG between May 2025 and September 2026. I hope you find the content informative and insightful. Your feedback is invaluable to us as we continue to strengthen our efforts to promote gender related research in India.

I would also like to acknowledge the valuable contributions of Prof. Archana K. Roy, Dr. Srinivas Goli, Dr. Preeti Dhillon, and Dr. Kunal Keshri to the activities of the Centre during the period from July 2025 to August 2026. Their support and commitment are sincerely appreciated and have contributed to the continued progress of the Centre.



Prof. Abhishek Singh
Head

Centre of Demography of Gender

About the Centre of Demography of Gender

The International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS) established CDG within the Department of Population and Development on October 1, 2021. The CDG is committed in advancing high-quality, interdisciplinary teaching and empirical research on key issues related to population, health, and development, both in India and globally.

One of the CDG's core mandates is the development of gender-focused curricula tailored to the needs of diverse stakeholders. CDG also emphasizes capacity building through customized short-term training programs. Additionally, CDG aspires to serve as a comprehensive data repository for gender-related information in India, offering access to individuals, institutions, and other stakeholders.

Beyond research and data services, CDG actively engages in providing timely policy recommendations to

central and state governments, as well as local administrative bodies, to inform the development of effective gender-responsive policies and programs. CDG also seeks to foster collaboration by bringing together national and international experts in the field of gender studies, creating a dynamic platform for knowledge exchange and the promotion of best practices in gender-related teaching and research.

Website: <https://www.iipsindia.ac.in/>

Film Festival: SAMABHAV (Equity for All)

CDG in collaboration with the Internal Committee (IC) of the IIPS and MAVA (Men Against Violence), organized a two-day Film Festival SAMABHAV (Equity to all) on Gender. The event was conceived as an academic and cultural platform to encourage reflection on the structural construction of gender in society to create a space for dialogue on diversity, identity, and lived experiences of gender and intersectionality.

Through screenings of diverse films and discussions with filmmakers, actors, academicians and activists, the festival explored the multiple layers of identity and how individuals develop a sense of 'self' beyond social categories and labels.

It helped participants to understand how gender is shaped by social norms, power relations and inequalities.

The festival witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, scholars, faculty and staff. The presence of film directors, actors and subject experts enriched the conversations and deepened the engagement with the themes presented through the films.

The films screened over two days were *Bas Ab Bohot Ho Gaya*, *F for Freedom*, *Satu - Year of the Rabbit*, *Because, Veni*, *Project Priyo*, *We the Puffcorns of India*, *Night Queen*, and *All We Imagine as Light*. Each screening was followed by discussions with filmmakers, actors, academicians and gender-rights advocates.



Pre-Conference Workshop: Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala



Prof. Archana K. Roy



Dr. Srinivas Goli



Dr. Sunil Sarode



Dr. Manas R. Pradhan



Dr. Preeti Dhillon



Dr. Kunal Keshri

CDG at the International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai, conducted a one-day pre-conference training workshop titled **‘Reading Gender through Data Lens’** on 16 December 2025 in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, during the 30th National Seminar of IIPS. The workshop opened with remarks from Dr. Dewaram A. Nagdeve, Director and Senior Professor (Additional charge) of IIPS, and Dr. R. Nagarajan, Chair of the IIPS National Seminar Organising Committee. Prof. Nagdeve congratulated the CDG team and extended his best wishes, while Prof. Nagarajan highlighted the contemporary importance and research relevance of the workshop. Dr. Archana K. Roy, introduced the theme and outlined the purpose of the workshop.

Resource Faculty Member

About the Workshop





Pre-Conference Workshop: Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala



The program consisted of four sessions. The first session, led by Dr. Sunil Sarode, focused on conceptual perspectives of gender, including gender norms as binary and the behavioural interpretations of third gender identities. This was followed by a session by Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan, who discussed the empirical measurement of gender and the development of global gender indices. In the next session, Dr. Preeti Dhillon familiarised participants with key gender-related data sources in India, including the Census, NFHS, IHDS, and NSSO, and explained their uses for research. The final session of the day provided hands-on training on STATA by Dr. Kunal Keshri, followed by an extension by Dr. Srinivas Goli on measuring gender inequalities in demography and public health. The session enabled participants to generate gender inequality indicators and apply analytical tools to real datasets.



Participant's feedback

The 30 participants who submitted their qualitative feedback expressed their happiness with the deliberations of the workshop. A vast majority of the participants stated that the workshop enhanced their understanding of gender-based inequalities and its measurement. However, they suggested to increase the days for technical sessions. Participants were grateful to the CDG for organizing such a wonderful workshop and giving them an opportunity to participate in the workshop. A few selected feedbacks are given below:

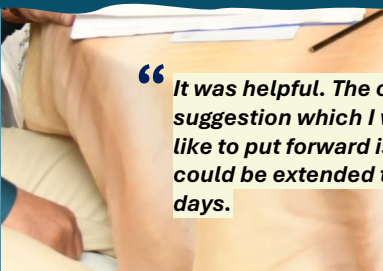


“ Very informative it underlined the importance of gender-based inequalities measures and its uses.



“ I was hoping to have more hands-on experience on STATA. Time was a big constraint . I extremely happy with the session

While a majority of participants were satisfied with the duration of workshop, a few suggested to extend the duration from one day to two-three days. A couple of participants stated:



“ It was helpful. The only suggestion which I would like to put forward is that if could be extended three days.

“ The arrangement of the workshop is appreciable. However, covering so many theoretical and empirical modules in a single day may not be feasible. The modules appear quite congested, which may limit the time available to explore each topic in sufficient depth. I would kindly suggest extending the workshop to up to three days.

A few participants were satisfied with the workshop, while requested to extend the technical session for one more day.



“ Future workshops should be more than one day. So, we can get more time on hands-on session.



“ Very good and relevant workshop. Increase technical sessions and reduce the theory parts.

Valedictory Session

Overall, the feedback indicates a significant positive impact of the workshop on participants' understanding of gender-related issues, in line with its stated objectives. A large majority of participants reported that the workshop met their expectations, particularly with regard to the quality of discussions and overall deliberations. The Director (Additional Charge) of the Institute appreciated CDG for organizing regular workshops as part of its nationwide capacity-

building initiatives for early-career researchers and encouraged the team to continue organizing such pre-conference workshops and other gender-related training programs. In this regard, CDG gratefully acknowledges the support of IIPS and the IIPS Seminar Organising Committee for facilitating the workshop. The CDG also sincerely thanks the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) for its financial support.



Financial Support Recipients

PhD Students



Rukmi Pradeep



Somesh Kumar



Poulami Sarkar



Poushaly Talukdar



Niharika Awasthi



Manideepa Mahato

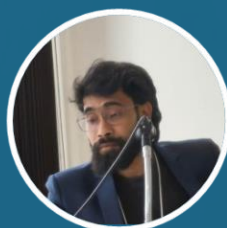


Sefali Verma



Abhishek Gupta

PhD Students



Ajay Dutta



Shubhra Kriti



Dr. Manas Ranjan
Pradhan



Prof. Aparajita
Chattopadhyay



Priyotosh Laha

Faculty Members

List of Financial Support Recipients

CDG provided financial support to 11 research scholars and 2 faculty members, enabling them to attend prestigious international conferences. This support ensures that their important gender-related research findings reach broader, global audiences.

S.N.	Student/ Faculty Member	Title of the Paper	Conference	Time and venue
1	Ms. Rukmi Pradeep	Can Inter-Caste Marriages Reduce Economic Inequalities in Child Nutrition in India? A Panel Data Analysis	Population Association of Singapore (PAS)	15-16 May 2025, Singapore
2	Mr. Somesh Kumar	The Exploration of Women's Empowerment in India: A Study of Women's Education, Employment, Asset Ownership, and Autonomy Based on NFHS Surveys,	Population Association of Singapore (PAS)	15-16 May 2025, Singapore
3	Ms. Niharika Awasthi	Assessing Job Satisfaction Among Female Migrants in Mumbai's Formal Sector: A Primary Data Analysis	International Union for the Scientific Study of Population Conference (IUSSP)	13-18 July 2025, Brisbane, Australia
4	Ms. Manideepa Mahato	Intersectional Differences in Accessing Public Healthcare Facility of Women in India: A Spatial and Multidimensional Analysis	International Union for the Scientific Study of Population Conference (IUSSP)	13-18 July 2025, Brisbane, Australia
5	Mr. Ajay Dutta	Silent Suffering: Exploring the Nexus Between Sexual Violence and Eclampsia Vulnerability in the Indian Context	Network for Education and Research on Peace and Sustainability (NERPS)	4-7 March 2026, Tokyo, Japan
6	Ms. Shubhra Kriti	Gender Ideology and Work-Family Conflict: A Global Comparative Analysis	Population Association of America (PAA)	06-09 May 2026, St. Louis, USA
7	Mr. Abhishek Gupta	Male Migrant Workers and Socio-economic and Psychosocial Impact on the Females Left Behind: A Case Study of Kopaganj Town, Uttar Pradesh, India	Population Association of America (PAA)	06-09 May 2026, St. Louis, USA
8	Mr. Priyotosh Laha	Intra Household Power Dynamics: Analysing Women's Autonomy in Decision-Making and Mobility across Regional Contexts in India	Population Association of Singapore (PAS)	21-22 May 2026, Singapore
9	Ms. Poulami Sarkar	Association between hysterectomy and diabetes among the post-menopausal older women of India	Population Association of Singapore (PAS)	21-22 May 2026, Singapore
10	Ms. Poushaly Talukdar	Exploring the Bidirectional Relationship between Women's Employment and Intimate Partner Violence during Pregnancy in India	European Population Conference (EPC)	3-6 June 2026, Bologna, Italy
11	Ms. Sefali Verma	Gender Inequality in Human Capital Formation, Accumulation and Labour Market Outcome: An Analysis Using Periodic Labour Force Survey	European Population Conference (EPC)	3-6 June 2026, Bologna, Italy
CDG Faculty Member				
1	Dr. Aparajita Chattopadhyay	Environmental Quality and Its Linkages with Age at Menarche and Menopause: New Evidence from India	International Union for the Scientific Study of Population Conference (IUSSP)	13-18 July 2025, Brisbane, Australia
2	Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan	Spousal Concordance and Discordance in Justifying Wife Beating and Wife's Experience of Physical Violence in India	International Union for the Scientific Study of Population Conference (IUSSP)	13-18 July 2025, Brisbane, Australia
3	Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan	Interparental Violence in Childhood and Women's Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes in India	Population Association of America (PAA)	06-09 May 2026, Missouri, USA

Conference Experiences of Recipients

Attending the Population Association of Singapore (PAS) Annual Meeting during 15-16 May 2025 was an enriching experience that provided me with several key insights as a PhD scholar. Presenting my paper, "**Can Inter-Caste Marriages Reduce Economic Inequalities in Child Nutrition in India? A Panel Data Analysis**," at an international forum, which featured submissions from 12 countries, was an invaluable milestone. The feedback I received during the Q & A session challenged me to think more about the intersection of caste, gender, and economics in my work. Furthermore, listening to other presentations on demography and inequality helped me identify new methodological approaches and datasets that could strengthen my own analysis. The presentations and discussions at PAS highlighted the importance of a gender lens in understanding issues such as intermarriage, family dynamics, and child nutrition. I was inspired to re-examine my own findings through this lens. I was exposed to various research studies of the participants, where gender dynamics are reflected in partner selection, marriage, and family formation in Asian contexts. Connecting with other scholars in this field also gave me insights into the specific gender norms surrounding partner selection and marriages in their home countries. I sincerely thank CDG for providing the travel grant, which enabled me to attend an important conference on demography.



I learned how scholars from different regions approach similar gender issues through diverse theoretical and empirical lenses.

Somesh Kumar
Population Association of Singapore
(PAS), 2025, Singapore



Listening to presentations on demography and inequality helped me discover new methods and datasets to enhance my analysis.

Ms. Rukmi Pradeep
Population Association of Singapore
(PAS), 2025, Singapore

I presented my Ph.D. research paper titled "**The Exploration of Women's Empowerment in India: A Study of Women's Education, Employment, Asset Ownership, and Autonomy Based on NFHS Surveys**" at the Population Association of Singapore (PAS) Annual Meeting, held from 15-16 May 2025 in Singapore. Attending the conference allowed me to engage directly with scholars working on similar topics and gain deeper insights into gender-related research across different contexts. The discussions and interactions during the conference inspired me to explore comparative perspectives and integrate new dimensions into my ongoing research. Participating in the PAS Conference 2025 provided me with invaluable academic and professional exposure. Engaging with scholars from diverse regions broadened my understanding of gender issues through varied theoretical and empirical perspectives. The feedback I received strengthened my methodology and analytical framework, while presenting at an international forum enhanced my confidence and networking skills. The discussions encouraged me to view gender research more holistically, recognizing the influence of social and institutional structures beyond individual factors such as education and employment. I am sincerely grateful to the CDG, IIPS, for their travel grant support, which made this enriching and transformative experience possible.

Conference Experiences of Recipients

I am very grateful to the CDG for the financial assistance that enabled my attendance at the International Population Conference (IPC) held in Brisbane, Australia, from June 13-18, July 2025. I have presented my research paper entitled **“Assessing Job Satisfaction Among Female Migrants in Mumbai's Formal Sector: A Primary Data Analysis”**

Participating in the IPC 2025 Conference offered me a unique opportunity to engage with leading researchers and practitioners in the field of Population Science, Demography and the allied disciplines. I gained valuable insights into the latest methodologies, current debates, and innovative approaches in the contemporary research studies. The interdisciplinary nature of the sessions broadened my research horizons and inspired new avenues for collaboration. Interacting with fellow scholars and attending keynote presentations enhanced my understanding of both foundational theories and emerging trends, reinforcing the relevance of my research and motivating me to further contribute to the academic community.



The conference exposed me to diverse perspectives, challenged my assumptions, and highlighted the importance of intersectionality, inclusivity, and multiple experiences in gender research.

Niharika Awasthi

International Population Conference (IPC), 2025
Brisbane, Australia



Engaging with diverse researchers offered new insights and inspired me to revisit my data with a fresh perspective.

Manideepa Mahato

International Population Conference (IPC), 2025
Brisbane, Australia

Attending the International Population Conference 2025 in Brisbane, Australia, was academically enriching as it allowed me to share my research findings with scholars from diverse backgrounds. I presented my paper entitled **“Intersectional Differences in Accessing Public Healthcare Facilities for Women in India: A Spatial and Multidimensional Analysis”** at IPC 2025. The conference became a space for curiosity and meaningful discussion. Engaging with researchers from various disciplines offered new ways of thinking about my topic, while their questions and insights encouraged me to revisit my data with a fresh perspective. This experience also broadened my understanding of gender research, highlighting how women's access to healthcare is shaped by gender as well as other intersectional identities and institutional factors. It further inspired me to adopt a more inclusive and intersectional approach in my study. None of this would have been possible without the support of the CDG. I sincerely thank CDG for the travel grant, which enabled me to attend such a prestigious conference on demography.

Conference Experiences of Recipients

I am grateful to the CDG, International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), for providing the travel grant that enabled my participation in the Network for Education and Research on Peace and Sustainability (NERPS) Conference held during March 4-7, Tokyo, Japan 2026. I had the opportunity to present my research, **“Silent Suffering: Exploring the Nexus Between Sexual Violence and Eclampsia Vulnerability in the Indian Context,”** and engage with scholars and practitioners from diverse academic and professional backgrounds. The feedback received during my presentation also helped me refine my research questions and strengthen my analytical framework. The conference significantly broadened my understanding of gender as a structural and multidimensional factor rather than merely a demographic characteristic. Discussions highlighted how gender intersects with social, economic, environmental, and health inequalities to shape individuals' opportunities, choices, and well-being across the life course. I was particularly encouraged to consider how gender interacts with caste, class, location, and household dynamics in shaping health outcomes.



The feedback received on my presentation was particularly valuable

Shubhra Kriti

**Population Association of America (PAA) 2026
United States of America**



The conference strengthened my theoretical and methodological understanding and encouraged me to adopt a more intersectional and gender-sensitive approach to my research.

Ajay Dutta

**Network for Education and Research on
Peace and Sustainability (NERPS)**

I am profoundly grateful to the CDG for providing the travel grant that enabled my participation in the Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting 2026, held from May 6-9 in St. Louis, Missouri. The support helped offset my travel expenses and provided me with a valuable opportunity to present my research, **“Gender Ideology and Work–Family Conflict: A Global Comparative Analysis,”** to an international audience of demographers, social scientists, and researchers. Attending the conference in person was an intellectually enriching experience. It provided an opportunity to engage with leading scholars and learn about diverse theoretical perspectives, methodological approaches, and comparative research on gender, family change, and work-family relationships across different socio-cultural contexts. The suggestion to examine work-family experiences more explicitly from women's perspectives provided an important direction for strengthening my research.

Conference Experiences of Recipients

Participating in the Population Association of America Annual Meeting 2026, held during 6-9 May 2026 in St. Louis, USA, was a highly enriching experience that contributed significantly to my academic and professional development. Presenting my paper, “Male Migrant Workers and Socio-economic and Psychosocial Impact on the Females Left Behind: A Case Study of Kopaganj Town, Uttar Pradesh, India,” provided an opportunity to receive valuable feedback from international scholars working on migration, gender, and population studies. The conference also exposed me to new methodological approaches and interdisciplinary perspectives on migration, gender, labour, and family dynamics. The discussions encouraged me to strengthen the gender dimensions of my doctoral research, particularly around women’s agency, unpaid care work, psychosocial well-being, and resilience. I also gained a deeper understanding of how gender intersects with caste, class, economic vulnerability, and place of residence. I sincerely thank CDG for providing the travel grant, which made this valuable international academic experience possible.



The conference exposed me to recent methodological developments, interdisciplinary approaches, and emerging debates in population research.

Abhishek Gupta

**Population Association of America (PAA) 2026
United States of America**



The conference experience strengthened my interest in interdisciplinary and policy-oriented gender research.

Priyotosh Laha

**Population Association of Singapore (PAS) 2026
Singapore**

I am sincerely thankful for the financial support provided by the CDG which enabled me to participate in the Population Association of Singapore (PAS) 2026 Annual Meeting, held on 21-22 May 2026 in Singapore. The grant helped reduce my financial burden and provided an opportunity to present my research, “Intra-Household Power Dynamics: Analysing Women’s Autonomy in Decision-Making and Mobility across Regional Contexts in India,” to an international academic audience. The conference was a valuable learning experience, offering opportunities to receive constructive feedback from scholars working in demography, gender, and population studies.

The conference also deepened my understanding of gender inequality as a multidimensional issue shaped by social, cultural, and institutional contexts. It encouraged me to look beyond conventional measures of women’s empowerment and examine the social norms and power structures influencing women’s autonomy and opportunities.

Conference Experiences of Recipients

I am grateful to the CDG for providing financial assistance to participate in the Population Association of Singapore (PAS) Conference 2026, held on 21-22 May at the National University of Singapore. It was a valuable academic experience. Presenting my paper **“Association between Hysterectomy and Diabetes among Post-Menopausal Older Women in India,”** provided me with an opportunity to receive constructive feedback from researchers working in ageing, women’s health, and population studies. The conference exposed me to current demographic research and emerging methodological approaches, while interactions with scholars from different backgrounds helped broaden my academic network and strengthened my confidence as an early-career PhD scholar. Although the conference primarily focused on fertility, sessions addressing gender and ageing offered important insights into examining demographic and health issues through a gender lens. These discussions helped me better understand how gender intersects with age, health, family dynamics, and socioeconomic conditions across the life course.



The experience encouraged me to adopt a more intersectional and gender-sensitive perspective in my research

Poulami Sarkar

**Population Association of Singapore (PAS) 2026
Singapore**



A key takeaway was the importance of viewing gender as a dynamic process shaped by economic participation, social norms, family structures, health systems, and public policy.

Poushaly Talukdar

**European Population Conference (EPC) 2026
Bologna, Italy**

Participating in the European Population Conference, held from 3-6 June in Bologna, Italy, was a highly enriching academic and professional experience. I presented my research paper titled **“Exploring the Bidirectional Relationship between Women’s Employment and Intimate Partner Violence during Pregnancy in India”** and received valuable feedback from international scholars working in demography, public health, and gender studies. The conference exposed me to emerging research on gender, reproductive health, migration, family dynamics, and social inequalities, while discussions with scholars from diverse contexts broadened my understanding of global gender research. Discussions also encouraged me to examine the unintended consequences of women’s economic empowerment, including changes in household power relations and potential backlash. The conference strengthened my interest in integrating quantitative and qualitative perspectives to better understand women’s lived experiences and reinforced my commitment to producing gender-sensitive, evidence-based, and policy-relevant research. I am sincerely grateful to CDG for providing the travel grant that made this participation possible.

Conference Experiences of Recipients

I am deeply grateful to the CDG for awarding me the travel grant Aid, which enabled my participation in the European Population Conference (EPC) 2026 was a highly enriching academic experience. I sincerely appreciate the Centre of Demography of Gender (CDG) for providing the Travel Grant, which enabled me to present my research, **“Gender Inequality in Human Capital Formation, Accumulation and Labour Market Outcome: An Analysis Using Periodic Labour Force Survey,”** to an international audience of researchers and policymakers. The conference exposed me to diverse methodological approaches and emerging debates on gender, labour markets, and social inequality. Discussions also strengthened my understanding of gender inequality as a multidimensional issue shaped by education, occupation, family responsibilities, institutions, and public policy. I gained valuable insights into examining hidden dimensions of inequality, including occupational segregation, unpaid care work, and the long-term economic consequences of gendered labour market participation. Overall, the experience strengthened my commitment to conducting rigorous, intersectional, and policy-relevant research on gender and labour markets in India.



The constructive feedback from researchers helped me refine my analytical framework and identify new directions for my PhD research.

Sefali Verma

**European Population Conference (EPC) 2026
Bologna, Italy**

Snapshot from Different International Conferences Attended by IIPS Students



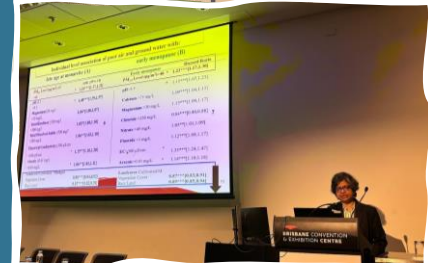
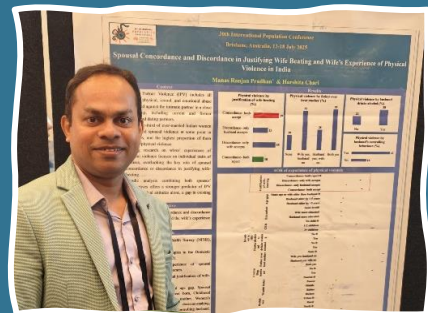
List of Financial Support Recipients among CDG Faculty Members



CDG provided three travel grants to faculty members, supporting their participation in prestigious international conferences and the dissemination of gender-related research to global audiences.

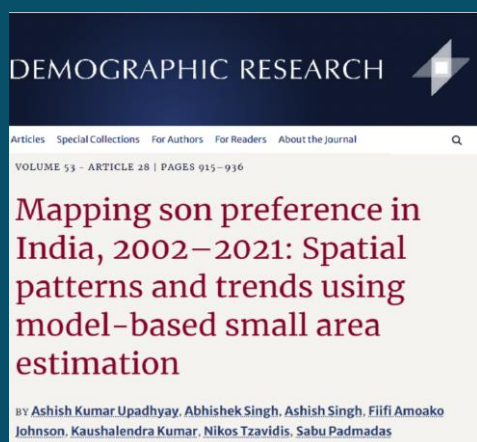
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Place: Brisbane, Australia
- 2. Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan**
Paper: Spousal Concordance and Discordance in Justifying Wife Beating and Wife's Experience of Physical Violence in India
Conference: International Population Conference (IPC)
Date: 13–18 July 2025
Place: Brisbane, Australia
- 3. Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan**
Paper: Interparental Violence in Childhood and Women's Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes in India
Conference: Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting
Date: 6–9 May 2026
Place: St. Louis, Missouri, USA



Publications by CDG Faculty Members

The CDG faculty members are actively engaged in generating scientific evidence and creating gender-disaggregated data on various aspects of gender and related issues. These research findings are disseminated in the form of research papers in reputed journals. The details of these research papers are provided below



Authors: Ashish Kumar Upadhyay , Kaushalendra Kumar, **Abhishek Singh**, Nikos Tzavidis, Ashish Singh, Sabu S. Padmadas, Fiifi Amoako Johnson

Journal: Demographic Research

Year: 2025

Title: Mapping son preference in India, 2002–2021: Spatial patterns and trends using model-based small area estimation

Publisher: Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research

Link: [here](#)



Authors: **Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan** & Prasenjit De

Journal: BMC Public Health

Year: 2024

Title: Men's Attitude towards Wife Beating: Understanding the Pattern and Trend in India

Publisher: BMC

Link: [here](#)



Authors: M. Dakua, P.K. Mudi, R. Karmakar & **Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan**

Journal: Partner Abuse

Year: 2024

Title: Does Wives' Empowerment Moderate the Association between Husbands' Drunkenness and Their Intimate Partner Violence towards Their Wives: A Study in India

Publisher: Springer

Link: [here](#)

Publications by CDG Faculty Members

Authors: Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan & Prasenjit De
Journal: PLoS ONE
Year: 2025
Title: Men's Gender Role and Attitude toward Sexual Autonomy of Women in India
Publisher: PLOS
Link: [here](#)



Authors: Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan & Pratik S.
Journal: Child Abuse & Neglect
Year: 2025
Title: Childhood Exposure to Interparental Violence and Mental Health Outcomes among Men in India
Publisher: Elsevier
Link: [here](#)



Authors: Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan & Prasenjit De
Journal: Canadian Studies in Population
Year: 2025
Title: Gender Power Dynamics and Experience of Emotional Spousal Violence among Women in India
Publisher: Springer
Link: [here](#)



Authors: Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan & H. Chari
Journal: Journal of Interpersonal Violence
Year: 2026
Title: Spousal Concordance-Discordance in Justifying Wife Beating and Wife's Experience of Spousal Physical Violence in India
Publisher: SAGE
Link: [here](#)



CDG Summer Internship Program

CDG, IIPS, Mumbai, launched its three-month paid Student Internship Program on 21 May 2026, with an orientation session conducted in hybrid mode. The program received 504 applications from postgraduate and doctoral students across India, of whom 12 interns were selected through research proposal screening and personal interviews. The internship was designed as an output-oriented research program, with each intern undertaking an independent gender-related research project under the guidance of a CDG faculty. The program included weekly research presentations, mentoring, progress reviews and academic discussions, with interns encouraged to develop their

research into journal articles or policy briefs. The first research presentations started on 29 May followed by every Friday, focusing on research questions, conceptual frameworks, data sources and methodological approaches. Faculty provided detailed feedback to strengthen the studies and encouraged interns to approach gender as an analytical framework rather than merely describing gender indicators. The program ultimately supported 12 individual research studies covering diverse themes, including gender, work, migration, mobility, health, ageing, education, technology, social protection and women's empowerment.



CDG Summer Internship Program

S.N.	Intern Name	Gender	Program of Study	Subject	Supervisor	Current institute
1	P Viswapriya	Female	Master	Economics	Dr. Manas R. Pradhan	South Asian University, Delhi
2	Chythra C	Female	Master	Economics	Dr. Sunil Sarode	Centre for Development Studies (CDS-JNU), Kerala
3	Ankit Raja Parmar	Male	Master	Economics	Dr. Kunal Keshri	University of Hyderabad
4	Garima Mishra	Female	PhD	Geography	Prof. Archana K. Roy	Govind Ballabh Pant Social Science Institute, Prayagraj
5	Kirti Ranjan	Female	PhD	Economics	Dr. Preeti Dhillon	Jawaharlal Nehru University
6	Goutham K Pradeep	Male	PhD	Public Health	Dr. Manas R. Pradhan	Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru
7	Iqbal Abedin	Male	PhD	Geography	Dr. Kunal Keshri	Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi
8	Krishna Singh	Male	Master	Economics	Prof. Archana K. Roy	Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune
9	Jaysurya S	Male	Master	Economics	Dr. Srinivas Goli	Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai
10	Isha Tanwar	Female	Master	Economics	Dr. Preeti Dhillon	Manipal University Jaipur
11	Ruchita Anil Zingade	Female	Master	Economics	Dr. Srinivas Goli	Madras School of Economics, Chennai
12	Ann Sajeew	Female	Master	Economics	Dr. Sunil Sarode	Madras School of Economics, Chennai



P Viswapriya



Chythra C



Ankit Raja Parmar



Garima Mishra



Kirti Ranjan



Goutham K Pradeep



Iqbal Abedin



Krishna Singh



Jaysurya S



Isha Tanwar



Ruchita Anil Zingade



Ann Sajeew

Summer Internship Recipients and Their Work

P. Viswapriya's study on "Gender Difference in Time Poverty in India: Evidence from Time Use Survey 2024" examines gender differences in time poverty in India using data from the Time Use Survey 2024, with particular attention to unpaid work, care responsibilities, and work-related travel. Time poverty is measured using the Foster-Greer-Thorbecke (FGT) indices, while survey-weighted probit models are used to identify its socio-economic determinants. The analysis covers the working-age population (15-59 years) and incorporates both work and travel-related time burdens. The findings reveal a significant gender disparity in time poverty. Women experience greater time deprivation, largely due to their disproportionate involvement in domestic and caregiving activities. At the 10-hour daily threshold, 27.65% of women are time poor compared with 24.07% of men, with the gender gap particularly pronounced in rural areas. The study also highlights the double burden experienced by women engaged in paid employment. Marital status, education, social group, and place of residence further shape time poverty differently across men and women. This study underscores the importance of addressing the unequal distribution of unpaid work, improving household infrastructure and childcare support, and reducing mobility constraints to mitigate gendered time poverty and enhance women's well-being and economic participation.



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Chythra C.'s study, "Gender Gaps in Employment among Couple Migrants from Kerala," examines gender differences in employment outcomes among migrant couples using data from the Kerala Migration Survey (KMS) 2018. Although migration can generate economic opportunities, its benefits are often distributed unequally between men and women. Married women, particularly those who migrate as trailing spouses, may have less influence over migration decisions and face poorer labour-market outcomes. These patterns are informed by the Human Capital Model, Gender-Role Model, and Mincer's Model of Family Migration. Kerala provides an important context for examining these dynamics because, despite relatively high gender parity, the state continues to experience low female labour-force participation. The study compares employment outcomes before and after migration using a pooled probit model and employs propensity score matching to assess the robustness of the findings. The results indicate that migration widens the gender employment gap, with employment benefits disproportionately favouring male spouses. The disadvantage is particularly pronounced among trailing wives. Propensity score matching estimates suggest that female spouses are 54 percentage points less likely to be employed than male spouses after migration. The study provides empirical evidence of the trailing migrant effect in India and extends existing theoretical perspectives to the Kerala migration context.



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Summer Internship Recipients and Their Work

Mr. Ankit Raja Parmar's study on "State-Level Gender Disparities in Labour Productivity among Unincorporated MSMEs in India" examined gender disparities in labour productivity among unincorporated MSMEs across Indian states using unit-level data from the Annual Survey of Unincorporated Sector Enterprises (ASUSE) 2023–24. It analyses differences between male- and female-owned enterprises in terms of enterprise characteristics, access to finance, formalisation, digital inclusion, and productivity. The study uses descriptive analysis, a MSME Gender Disparity Index (MGDI), OLS and quantile regressions, and Oaxaca-Blinder decomposition. The Study reveals the substantial and persistent gender productivity gap. Female-owned enterprises have lower access to credit and are more likely to remain unregistered and home-based, generate lower average gross value added than male-owned enterprises. It also highlights the need for gender-responsive MSME policies which may be extended beyond credit access to address formalisation, skills, digital inclusion, market access, and targeted enterprise support.



Ankit Raja Parmar
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Ms. Garima Mishra submitted report on "Gender Differences in Commuting Time in India: Evidence from the Time Use Survey 2024".

The study examined gender differences in commuting participation and the socio-economic factors which influences the commuting among working-age population (15-59 years) engaged in paid employment. Through the nationally representative data from the Time Use Survey 2024, descriptive statistics, chi-square tests, and logistic regression models were employed for the pooled sample and separately for male and female workers. The finding shows significant gender gap in commuting, with female workers being 68 percent less likely to commute than male workers. Regular wage employment, higher educational attainment, and better household economic status are positively associated with commuting, while marriage and childcare responsibilities reduce women's likelihood of commuting. The study highlights the need for gender-responsive transport planning, improved accessibility to employment opportunities, and childcare support to address mobility constraints and promote women's economic participation.



Garima Mishra
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Govind Ballabh Pant Social Science Institute,
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Summer Internship Recipients and Their Work

Ms. Keerti Ranjan's study on "Do Contextual Patriarchal Norms Affect Women's Labour Market Participation?" examines the influence of district-level patriarchal norms on women's labour force participation and access to paid employment in India. It combines individual-level data on 135,803 women aged 15-59 from PLFS 2022-23 with a district-level India Patriarchy Index (IPI) constructed using NFHS-5 (2019-21) data for 687 districts. A three-level multilevel logistic regression model was used to assess the influence of contextual patriarchal norms while accounting for individual and household characteristics. The finding shows a significant association between district-level patriarchy and women's labour market participation. A one-standard-deviation increase in the Patriarchy Index is associated with a 20% reduction in the odds of women's labour force participation ($OR=0.80$). The effect is stronger for paid employment ($OR=0.74$), indicating that patriarchal norms influence both women's participation and their access to paid work, with women more likely to remain concentrated in unpaid family work.

Goutham K. Pradeep's study, "Gendered Disparities in Sleep Duration in India: A Multilevel Analysis of Individual Heterogeneity and Discriminatory Accuracy (MAIHDA)," examines gender disparities in sleep duration among working-age adults using nationally representative data from the Time Use Survey 2024. The study focuses on short sleep, defined as less than seven hours of nighttime sleep, and applies an Intersectional Multilevel Analysis of Individual Heterogeneity and Discriminatory Accuracy (I-MAIHDA) to examine how gender intersects with age, residence, education, and marital status. The final analytical sample includes 1,99,106 individuals. The findings reveal a clear gender disparity, with women having higher odds of short sleep than men ($OR=1.46$) even after adjusting for socio-demographic characteristics. Urban residence, higher education, and current marriage are also associated with greater odds of short sleep. Intersectional analysis indicates that married women aged 30-49 years, particularly those living in rural areas, face some of the highest risks of short sleep. The findings highlight how gendered domestic and caregiving responsibilities contribute to inequalities in sleep and overall well-being.



Kirti Ranjan

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Goutham K Pradeep

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Summer Internship Recipients and Their Work

Mr. Iqbal Abedin's study, "Life Satisfaction among the Elderly in India: An Intersectional Analysis of Caste, Gender and Social Capital," examines how caste, gender, and social capital intersect to influence life satisfaction among older adults in India. Using data from the Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI), 2017-18, the study analyses 29,639 individuals aged 60 years and above. Rao-Scott adjusted chi-square tests and ordered logistic regression were used to examine differences in life satisfaction across socio-demographic and intersectional groups. The findings reveal significant disparities by caste and gender, while social capital emerges as an important protective factor. High life satisfaction was most prevalent among general-caste men with high social capital (53.6%), whereas ST men with low social capital reported the lowest level (44.87%). Adjusted results show that ST men with low social capital experienced the greatest disadvantage (AOR=0.44), followed by ST women with high social capital (AOR=0.64), compared with general-caste men with high social capital. The study highlights the importance of intersectionality-based policies and stronger social support networks for promoting inclusive and healthy ageing in India.



Iqbal Abedin
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Mr. Krishna Singh's study, "Gender, Work and Mobility: A Study of Working Women Commuters in India," examines gender differences in commuting distances and the structural factors associated with women's mobility for employment. Using Census of India 2011 data, the study analyses commuting patterns across 622 districts, incorporating socio-economic and infrastructure indicators from the SHRUG database. The findings reveal a persistent gender gap in commuting distance: men travelled an average of 9.44 km, compared with 6.16 km among women. The average gender gap was 2.50 km at the state level and 3.28 km at the district level, with substantial geographical variation. Regression analysis shows that urbanisation is the only factor consistently associated with a reduction in the gender commuting gap; however, this reduction is primarily driven by shorter male commuting distances, while women's commuting distances remain largely unchanged. The study highlights the influence of social norms, safety concerns, household responsibilities and gender-specific constraints, emphasising the need for gender-responsive transport and urban policies to improve women's employment-related mobility.



Krishna Singh
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Summer Internship Recipients and Their Work

Mr. Jaysurya S.'s study, "Pension Power: How Public Pensions Empower Women Without Crowding Out Family Support in India," examines whether public pensions enhance the autonomy of older women without weakening family support systems. Using LASI Wave 1 (2017-18), the study analyses 10,265 women aged 60 years and above or widowed, focusing on child co-residence and household decision-making agency. The study employs multiple identification strategies, including Probit, Propensity Score Matching, Targeted Maximum Likelihood Estimation (TMLE), and Instrumental Variables (IV-2SLS). The findings show no evidence of economically meaningful crowding out of family support following pension receipt. While Probit estimates show no significant effect on child co-residence, IV-2SLS estimates indicate a significant positive effect on women's household decision-making agency, increasing the decision-making index by approximately 3.05 points on a 0-5 scale. The empowerment effect is stronger outside southern India, although this regional difference should be interpreted cautiously. Overall, the study highlights public pensions as an important instrument for strengthening older women's economic autonomy, household agency, and social security while sustaining family support networks.



JAYSURYA S

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Ms. Isha Tanwar's study, "Educational Mismatch and Wage Returns in India's Segmented Labour Market: The Role of Employment Formality and Gender," examines how educational mismatch and employment formality influence wage returns, with particular attention to gender differences. Using pooled PLFS data from 2021-22 to 2023-24, the study analyses 127,948 regular salaried workers aged 15-59. Educational mismatch is classified into required, surplus, and deficit years of schooling, while employment formality is measured through written contracts, paid leave, and social security coverage. The findings reveal substantial educational mismatch: only 26.8% of workers are adequately matched, while 39.1% are overeducated and 34.1% undereducated. Formal employment is associated with higher returns to required and surplus education but greater penalties for educational deficits. These effects are strongly gendered, with underqualified women in formal employment experiencing a 9.6% wage penalty per year of deficit education, compared with 6.2% among men. The study highlights the need to combine labour-market formalisation with targeted skill development and qualification support for women to reduce gender inequalities in earnings.



Isha Tanwar

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Summer Internship Recipients and Their Work

Ms. Ruchita Anil Zingade's study, "From Cable to Smartphones: Mobile Internet, Gender Norms, and Women's Empowerment in India," examines the causal effect of mobile internet adoption on gender norms and women's empowerment. Using the nationwide launch of Reliance Jio in September 2016 as a quasi-natural experiment, the study combines three rounds of NFHS data covering approximately 1.55 million women with telecom subscription data from TRAI. Variation in Jio penetration across 22 telecom circles is used to examine changes in attitudes towards domestic violence and women's decision-making autonomy. The findings show that greater Jio penetration significantly improved both outcomes. A 10-percentage-point increase in Jio subscriber share increased the probability of rejecting all justifications for domestic violence by 1.42 percentage points and improved the autonomy index by 0.063 points on a 0-4 scale. Positive effects were also observed among rural and uneducated women, suggesting potentially inclusive empowerment benefits. Overall, the study highlights affordable mobile internet as an important pathway for transforming gender norms, strengthening women's autonomy, and expanding access to information, with implications for digital inclusion and gender-responsive policy.



Ruchita Anil Zingade
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Ms. Ann Sajeew's study, "Gender Bias in Educational Investment in India: Shadow Education and Household Spending," examines gender differences in household investment in children's education, focusing on school expenditure and private coaching. Using nationally representative Comprehensive Modular Survey: Education (CMSE), 2025 data from the 80th NSS Round, the study analyses children aged 3-18 years using OLS, hurdle models, household fixed-effects, and Oaxaca-Blinder decomposition. The findings show that while enrolment is broadly similar, girls receive 15-19% lower school investment in basic models, declining to 2-7% after accounting for school type and other characteristics. Girls are also 1.9 percentage points less likely to receive private coaching, although expenditure does not differ significantly among participants. Within households, girls receive approximately 4.7% less educational investment than their brothers. Oaxaca-Blinder decomposition suggests that around two-thirds of the overall gap is explained by observable characteristics, while one-third remains unexplained. The study highlights persistent gender inequality in educational investment, including within households, and underscores the need for gender-responsive educational policies.



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Valedictory Session



The CDG Student Internship Program provided a structured platform for postgraduate and doctoral students to engage in independent research on contemporary issues related to gender and population. The program followed a continuous process of orientation, research conceptualisation, presentation, faculty review, mentoring, research development, final presentation and submission. The twelve completed studies demonstrate the research undertaken during the internship, covering gender and work, time poverty, migration, mobility, labour markets, entrepreneurship, health and well-being, ageing, social protection, education, digital access and women's empowerment. The program therefore served not only as an internship opportunity but also as a research capacity-building initiative, enabling emerging scholars to develop independent research skills and produce substantive, publication-oriented research outputs. The initiative reflects CDG's commitment to fostering research on gender and population and nurturing the next generation of researchers in these fields.



CDG Funded Project

Project Name

Menstrual Health Management (MHM) of Adolescents in Mumbai Slums: Identifying Gender Norms and Gaps

The Menstrual Health Management (MHM) survey is designed for the women and adolescent girls living in urban slums particularly vulnerable in relation to their experiences of menstruation, limited access to WASH, health services, knowledge and cultural practices. Till date, there is no community survey with representative sampling for Mumbai or any other metro city in India. Therefore, this study aims to address the constraints related to MHM, males' knowledge and attitudes towards menstruation along with women's experiences, health seeking behaviour and dealing with the social taboos attached with it as well as awareness, accessibility and utilization of MHM programs.



Prof. Aparajita Chattopadhyay



Dr. Shireen J Jejeebhoy

In 2026, the project team published two research articles in the journal of **Culture, Health & Sexuality** and presented one paper at the IUSSP conference in 2025, based on the project data. Details of the publications and conference presentation are provided below.



Authors: Paramita Majumdar , **Shireen J. Jejeebhoy** & **Aparajita Chattopadhyay**

Journal: *Culture, Health & Sexuality*

Year: 2026

Title: Challenges in menstrual health service delivery to girls and young women in Mumbai slums: provider perspectives

Publisher: Taylor & Francis

Link: [here](#)



Authors: Paramita Majumdar, **Shireen J. Jejeebhoy**, **Aparajita Chattopadhyay** & Debashree Sinha

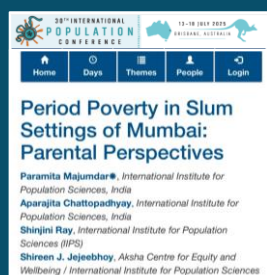
Journal: *Culture, Health & Sexuality*

Year: 2026

Title: Male engagement in menstrual care: evidence from boys and young men in urban slums in Mumbai

Publisher: Taylor & Francis

Link: [here](#)



Presenting Authors: Paramita Majumdar, Co-Authors: **Aparajita Chattopadhyay**, Shinjini Ray and **Shireen J. Jejeebhoy**,

Paper: Period Poverty in Slum Settings of Mumbai: Parental Perspectives

Conference: International Population Conference (IPC)

Date: 13-18 July 2025

Place: Brisbane, Australia

Link: [here](#)

CDG Funded Project

Project Name

Mapping the Risk Factors and Consequences of Violence against Women in India for the Last Two Decades Using Large-Scale Data

This study is designed to map the risk factors and consequences of violence against women in India over the past two decades using extensive data. Despite global efforts, violence against women persists as a significant public health issue. The objectives of the study include analyzing the prevalence and changing patterns of violence against women from NFHS-3 to NFHS-5, identifying persistent and evolving risk factors, exploring shifts in types of violence, and examining consequences such as birth outcomes, contraceptive usage, and nutrition. The study intends to provide insights crucial for developing effective intervention strategies and formulating policies in combating violence against women in India.



**Dr. Suresh
Jungari**



**Dr. Pradeep S.
Salve**

Two research articles are currently under review in academic journals. Details of the manuscripts are provided below.

Manuscripts Under Review

- Paper:** Dynamics of Changing Determinants of Intimate Partner Violence in India: Evidence from the National Family Health Survey (2005–06 to 2019–21)
Journal: *Violence Against Women*
Status: Under Review
- Paper:** Exploration of Informal Help-Seeking among Women Facing Intimate Partner Violence: Findings from the National Family Health Survey in India
Journal: *Social Sciences Spectrum*
Status: Under Review

Profiles of CDG Affiliated Faculty Members and Staff



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(Member)



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(Member)



Dr. Guru Vasishtha
(Member)



Dr. Archana
(Senior Research Scientist)



Dr. Laeek Ahemad Siddiqui
(Research Scientist)

Profile of Affiliated Faculty Members

Dr. Abhishek Singh, is a Professor and Head Department of Public Health and Mortality Studies at IIPS, Mumbai India. Dr. Singh also heads the CDG at IIPS. He has published more than 120 research papers in peer-reviewed national/international journals. His areas of interest are mortality analysis (including maternal mortality), maternal and child health, gender issues, designing, implementing, and analyzing large-scale surveys, etc. Dr. Singh was visiting faculty as a Gates Scholar at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. He was also a recipient of the prestigious Leverhulme Fellowship during the academic year 2011-2012, to collaborate on research with faculty and students of the School of Health Sciences and Social Care University of Portsmouth UK. Dr. Singh is leading the GENDER project, which is a collaboration between IIPS and the Center on Gender Equity and Health University of California, San Diego. He is also a co-principal Investigator of NFHS-6. His recent work includes estimation of India Patriarchy Index (IPI) for the districts of India, association of gender norms with demographic outcomes, use of small-area estimation techniques for estimation of gender inequality indicators for the districts of India, post-abortion contraceptive use, interviewer effects in measuring gender inequality indicators in National Family Health Survey (NFHS), implications of field work design and implementation of NFHS on measuring contraceptive use, etc. He has joined the centre on 1st October 2021.



**Prof. Abhishek Singh
(Head)**

Dr. Sunil Sarode is an Associate Professor in the Department of Population and Development at the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai. He has a Master degree and Ph. D. degree (Social Work) from Tata Institute for Social Sciences, Mumbai. His area of research interest is Migration, Health and Development. He has teaching and research experience of 16 years. He has completed 4 projects as a coordinator in IIPS related to migration and urbanization such as Mumbai Migration project, Socioeconomic and health conditions of Nepali migrants in Mumbai, The causes and consequences of outmigration from Middle Ganga Plain and Access to Household Amenities and Assets in India: A Census Based Study. related to migration and urbanization at IIPS. One project titled 'Living conditions of the Residents of Slum Rehabilitation Authority' is currently underway.



**Dr. Sunil Sarode
(Member)**

Profile of Affiliated Faculty Members



**Dr. Manas Ranjan
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Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan is an Associate Professor at the Department of Fertility and Social Demography, IIPS, Mumbai, India. He has obtained a Ph.D. & M. Phil. in Population Studies from IIPS, Mumbai, and a Master's in Sociology from Ravenshaw University, Cuttack. He has been engaged in teaching and research since 2008. He is an Associate Editor of the Reproductive Health (BMC- Springer Nature Journal). He has contributed/involved in several national and international collaborative projects as principal or co-principal investigator, including the National Family Health Survey-4, the Compendium of Tribal Health and Nutrition, the Unintended Pregnancy and Induced Abortion in India (UPAI), and Global Adult Tobacco Survey-3. His research interests include gender issues, fertility and family planning, sexual and reproductive health (SRH), and rights. His doctoral work was on understanding the role of gender in the SRH behavior of youth, using a mixed method approach and measurement of gender equitable scales. Some of his publications highlight the gender socialization process, young people's gender roles and attitudes towards SRH, men's knowledge, attitudes, and practices towards SRH rights of women and intimate partner violence. He has joined the centre on 29th January 2024.



**Dr. Reshmi R. S.
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Dr. Reshmi R. S. is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Migration and Urban Studies, at IIPS, Mumbai. Her education includes M.Sc. in Demography from University of Kerala, M.Phil. and Ph.D. in Population studies from IIPS, Mumbai. Before joining IIPS, she worked as an Assistant Professor in the Institute of Health Management Research, Bangalore. She has around 16 years of experience including 13 years of teaching. Her area of interest is internal and international migration, gender and migration, reproductive and child health and also large-scale survey research. Dr. Reshmi has completed various research projects funded by the Government of India and other UN agencies. Currently, she is involved in the National Family Health Survey (NFHS-6) funded by the Government of India. She has published various research papers in national as well as international peer reviewed journals on issues related to migration, gender and public health. She has done extensive work on the area women labour migration and its implications on migrants and their households. Three of her most recently published research papers (with co-authors) include "Evaluation of impact of engaging federations of women groups to improve women's nutrition interventions- before, during and after pregnancy in social and economically backward geographies: Evidence from three eastern Indian States", "Context for layering women's nutrition interventions on a large scale poverty alleviation program: Evidence from three eastern Indian states" and "Women empowerment through involvement in community based health and nutrition interventions: Evidence from a qualitative study in India", which was published in the journal Plos One. She has joined the centre on 1st October 2021

Profile of Affiliated Faculty Members

Dr. Suresh Jungari is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Public Health & Mortality Studies at International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai. He has a Masters and Ph.D. in (Population Studies) from IIPS, Mumbai. His areas of research interest are public health, gender and reproductive health, violence against women, health inequalities and mortality. His latest research focuses on examining risk factors and consequences of intimate partner violence in India using large-scale data sources. His research in the last few years has been instrumental in examining the role of gender dimensions in demographic aspects. He has published several peer reviewed articles in reputed journals. He has joined the centre on 1st October 2021.



Dr. Suresh Jungari
(Member)

Dr. Pradeep S. Salve is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Population and Development at the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai. Prior to working in IIPS, he worked as an Assistant Professor at the Population Research Centre (PRC), Dharwad, Karnataka. He has received a fellowship grant from Brown International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI), at Brown University, USA. He has been engaged in monitoring and evaluation of the National Health Missions, National Health Flagship Programs and Public Health Facilities on behalf of the MoHFW, Government of India. His research interest includes Health Policy and Programmes, Community Health, Violence against Women, Maternal and Child Health, Occupational Health, Caste, and Gender. He has been teaching the Gender Health and Development, Healthcare System and Policies and Occupation Health courses at IIPS. He is also one of the Principal Investigator of the “Global Adult Tobacco Survey – 3” and “Mapping the risk factors and consequences of violence against women in India for the last two decades using large-scale data” funded by the MoHFW and BMGF respectively. He has published several research articles in peer-reviewed and reputed international journals including male participation in using family planning methods in India, exposing male masculinity, the intersectionality of caste, gender and occupation etc. He has joined the centre on 18th October 2021.



Dr. Pradeep S Salve
(Member)

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Dr. Guru Vasishtha
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Dr. Guru Vasishtha holds the position of Assistant Professor in the Department of Survey Research & Data Analytics at IIPS, Mumbai. He earned his Ph.D. and M.Phil. in Population Studies from IIPS, Mumbai, showcasing a strong academic foundation. He is a Gold Medalist in Master of Statistics from Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra. Bringing over three years of experience in both academics and industry, Dr. Vasishtha possesses comprehensive expertise across various domains. His proficiency extends to data management, validation, analysis, and visualization, primarily employing statistical programming in software like R, SAS, STATA, SPSS, MORTPACK, SPECTRUM, and GEODA. Noteworthy among his engagements are contributions to national and international collaborative projects, including the "Maternal and Neonatal Health (MNH) Exemplar Study, India-MNH Project". His research interests span diverse topics such as Multidimensional Poverty, Gender and Health, Data Quality of Large-scale Demographic Surveys, Spatial Analysis, Maternal and Child Health, as well as Mortality and Life Tables. He has joined the centre on 4th January 2024.

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Dr. Archana has done her Ph.D. from the Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. She has worked in the Department of curriculum studies in National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) Delhi as a research fellow. She has received the ICSSR-Post Doctoral Award for the Period (2019-21). Prior to joining CDG/IIPS, Archana taught Sociology/Anthropology at the National Law School of India University (NLSIU, Bengaluru). She also taught sociology at the Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi. Her area of research is Sociology of Caste/ Sociology of Gender/ Sociology of violence/Sociology of Social Movements/ Sociology of Education/ Sociology of Discrimination and Exclusion.



Dr. Archana
(Senior
Research Scientist)

Dr. Laeek Ahemad Siddiqui, is a young demographer and researcher. He works in the areas of intergenerational education mobility, maternal and child health, nutrition, and gender issues. He has done his master, M.Phil and Ph.D. from the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS). As part of his Ph.D. research, he explored how lack of education among the children of socially and marginally deprived communities not only makes them impoverished but also affects their subsequent generations, who are trapped in intergenerational cycle of poverty and low education. Dr. Siddiqui's exceptional abilities extend beyond theoretical research, as he possesses strong competencies in conducting rigorous scientific studies and handling large-scale data.



**Dr. Laeek Ahemad
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