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Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay is a Professor of Economics at the Economics and Planning Unit Indian



Statistical Institute (Delhi).He works in the area of education and health in the context of India. Using econometrics and experimental design- both natural experiments as well as Randomized-Control-Trial field experiments, he explores the link between education inputs-human capital and prosperity. His work in health focuses on household impacts of life threatening diseases like AIDS and Cancer as well as issues related to the health of the elderly from Non Communicable Diseases like Hypertension. Abhiroop's work has been published in reputed journals like The Economic Journal, Journal of Development

Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, World Development, Social Science and Medicine and the Journal of Quantitative Economics to name a few. He is currently a research fellow at The Institute for Study of Labor (*IZA*) and an invited researcher of JPAL. He is the recipient of the Mahalannobis Gold Medal, the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland dissertation fellowship, the Hermes post -doctoral CNRS fellowship at GREQAM (France), the Sir Ratan Tata Senior fellowship at Institute of Economics Growth (Delhi) and a visiting scholar fellowship at Institute of Advanced Study , University of Warwick. Abhiroop is currently a member of the Vaccine Cost Effectiveness Analysis Working Group-NIFHW and Technical Advisory Group (TAG), Household Surveys, National Sample Survey.

Prof. P. N. Mari Bhat (1951-2007) had a very distinguished academic career. He obtained his Ph.D. in

Demography from University of Pennsylvania under the guidance of Dr. Samuel Preston, a renowned mathematical demographer. Prior to joining IIPS as its Director in 2005, Dr. Bhat worked as a Professor at the Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi, as Director of PRC at Dharwad, and as Associate Professor at Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum and also at ISEC, Bangalore. His research works reflected a unique combination of statistical acumen and social science perspectives in demographic research. He was pioneer in providing fertility and mortality estimates for colonial India and for the early decades of independence. For a



detailed discussion on Prof. Bhat's research contribution to Indian demography, see "P.N. Mari Bhat: An Intellectual Tribute" by M. Das Gupta, S.H. Preston, V. Rao and T.V. Sekher, Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. XLII (36), 2007.

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