

Education

- MPhil **African Studies**, University of Delhi, India (2006-2008)
- MSc. **Development Studies**, School of Oriental & African Studies, University of London, UK (2003-2004)
- B.A. **Sociology & Anthropology**, St. Xavier's College, University of Mumbai, India (1998-2001)
- GNIIT **System's Management**, National Institute of Information Technology (NIIT), Mumbai, India (1998-2003)

Work Experience

- **Senior Researcher**, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi Aug. 2014 - date
[Policy research for the "Scaling City Institutions-For India (SCI-FI) Project at CPR aiming to build a strong evidence base for developing policies, programmes and implementation plans for achieving sanitized cities at the national, and state levels]
- **Social Development Specialist**, Support to National Policies for Urban Poverty Reduction, A DFID & Government of India partnership Oct. 2010-Jul. 2014
[Social development and policy inputs for a £14.5 million project on urban poverty reduction covering affordable housing, basic services, and livelihoods promotion programmes of the Government of India]
- **Social Development & Knowledge Management Expert**, National Strategy for the Urban Poor (NSUP), A UNDP & Government of India partnership Feb. 2008 – Sep. 2010
[Social development, policy and knowledge management inputs to support the development of a national strategy for urban poverty reduction for the Government of India]
- **Research Associate**, Centre for Civil Society, New Delhi Jul. 2007 – Dec. 2007
[Research focusing on advocacy of school choice for poor Indian parents]
- **Project Officer, Project Access & Project X-Sight**, Xavier's Resource Centre for the Visually Challenged Jan. 2005 – Aug. 2006
[Programme management lead on projects focusing on advocacy, rights and life skills of the visually challenged youth]
- **Assistant Manager, Projects**, Marcus Evans (India) Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai Dec. 2001 – Jul. 2003
[Conducted market research on general management, finance and IT in industry and conducted conferences and training programmes]
- **Editor, Journal of the Department of Sociology & Anthropology**, St. Xavier's College, University of Mumbai Jun. 1999 – Mar. 2001
[Reviewed and edited submissions for the student peer-review journal]
- **Volunteer Tutor**, Garden School, Mumbai (NGO) Jun. 1998 – Mar. 1999
[Provided supplementary tutoring for slum and homeless children]

Teaching Experience

- **Visiting Faculty, Social Anthropology of Human Settlements**, Bachelors of Business Administration (BBA) in Real Estate & Infrastructure Programme (REUI), RICS School of Built Environment, Amity University, New Delhi Dec. 2014 – May 2015
- **Visiting Lecturer in Contemporary Social Issues**, Department of Mass Media Studies & Journalism, St. Xavier's College, University of Mumbai Oct. 2005 – Apr. 2006
[Taught contemporary social issues such as environment and sustainability, tribal

rights and the gender movement for the undergraduate degree of Mass Media]

- **Lecturer in Sociology & Anthropology**, Department of Sociology & Anthropology, St. Xavier's College, University of Mumbai, May 2005 – Sep. 2005
[Taught Classical Sociology and Anthropology Theory, Current affairs and social research methodology to undergraduate students of Sociology & Anthropology]

Project Design & Management

- **Centre for Policy Research** Aug. 2014 - ongoing
 - Management of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) funded project "Scaling City Institutions for India: Sanitation" (2012-2015) including budgeting, implementation, evaluation and monitoring
 - Project design and proposal for a 3-year Project for a city-wide sanitation service delivery and research project in two small cities of Odisha in partnership with Practical Action (NGO) funded by BMGF for US\$ 3.78 million
 - Project design and proposal for a 3-year expansion of the project "Scaling City Institutions for India: Sanitation" (2015-18) funded by BMGF for US\$ 3.1 million
- **Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India** Feb. 2008 - Jul. 2014
 - Project Management
 - Management of the DFID-assisted project Support to National Policies for Urban Poverty Reduction (SNPUPR) including support to Log-Frame Development, budgeting (Technical and financial assistance), implementation, evaluation and monitoring through the Programme Management Board and Steering Committee mechanisms
 - Management of the UNDP assisted project, National Strategy for the Urban Poor (NSUP) including Annual Work Plans (AWPs), budgeting, implementation, evaluation and monitoring through the Programme Management Board and Steering Committee mechanisms.
 - National Government Scheme design:
 - National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM), a Rs. 64,050 million (US\$ 1,067.48 million) Government of India Programme for livelihoods' enhancement of the urban poor: Scheme design, proposals (for Finance department and Union Cabinet approval), budgeting, main scheme and operational guideline formulation, annual planning with the national and state governments, roll-out and monitoring and evaluation of state government performance.
 - Design, negotiation and approval of technical and financial support to the Government of India on issues of urban poverty, inclusive urban development, capacity development, and slum-free city planning from the following donors:
 - UK-Aid from the Department for International Development (DFID) for a technical and financial support project of £14.5 million
 - World Bank (IDA support and loan negotiation) for two projects of US\$ 20 million and US\$ 500 million

- Asian Development Bank (technical support for US\$ 1 million), and
- GIZ or German Society for International Cooperation (direct technical cooperation at the city level for slum-free city planning in select cities)

Policy Documents

- ***Developing an assessment framework for open-defecation-free (ODF) Communities*** – Policy Paper for the NITI Aayog, Government of India under the auspices of Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) Ongoing
- ***Promoting Equity and Productivity in Indian Cities*** – Report for the Government of India, Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation, prepared for the 24th Session of the Governing Council of UN-HABITAT, Nairobi, 15-19 April 2013 Apr. 2013
- ***Possible alternative options for determining the BPL households in urban areas*** – Discussion paper prepared for the Sub-Group of the Expert Group of the Planning Commission to recommend the detailed methodology for identification of families living below the poverty line in urban areas Jan. 2012
- ***Report on Social Housing in Singapore and China (Shanghai & Wuhan)*** for the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India to explore learnings and suggestions for implementation in the Indian context Dec. 2011
- ***Report of the Working Group on Slums, Urban Poverty and Basic Services*** in the context of the formulation of the 12th Five Year Plan constituted by the Planning Commission Sep. 2011
- ***Strategy Paper of the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation***, Government of India for 2012-2017 Apr. 2011
- ***Health & the Urban Poor in India*** – Policy paper prepared to explore collaboration between the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) and the proposed National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) Jun. 2010
- ***Cities Development Index***- Proposal & Presentation to the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation for benchmarking and monitoring service provision in urban areas for the urban poor across programmes and schemes of the Government of India Apr. 2010

Research Conducted

- ***Study on “Slums in India, 2011”***, for the World Bank, India to analyse the trends of slum population in India as reported by the Census of India, 2011 Dec. 2013 –Jun. 2014
- ***Analysis of household-level data of the Socio-Economic & Slum Census, 2011*** for the Expert Group of the Planning Commission to recommend the detailed methodology for identification of families living below the poverty line in urban areas May 2011 - Nov. 2012
- ***Study of Social Housing in Singapore and China (Shanghai & Wuhan)*** for the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India to explore learnings and suggestions for implementation in the Indian context. Nov. 2011 – Dec. 2011

- **Study on Prospects for Making India's Manufacturing Sector Export Oriented** Dec. 2005 – Feb. 2006
for St. Xavier's College, Mumbai and Research & Information Systems (RIS), New Delhi
- **Export-Import Study** for St. Xavier's College, Mumbai and Metric Knowledge Management Services, Pune focusing on industrial behaviour of diamond merchants in Mumbai Oct. 2005 – Dec. 2005

Publications managed

- O. P. Mathur [Ed.]. 2014. **Inclusive Urban Planning: State of the Urban Poor Report, 2013**. New Delhi: Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India & Oxford University Press.
- A. Kundu [Ed.]. 2009. **India: Urban Poverty Report, 2009**. New Delhi: Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India & Oxford University Press.
- Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM). 2009. **Mumbai: Human Development Report, 2009**. New Delhi: Oxford University Press

Publications

- Shubhagato Dasgupta, DTV Raghu Ramaswamy, Kimberly Noronha, Smitha Rao, Seetharaman R., Nikhil George, Amandeep Singh, Tripti Singh, Swati Dhiman, Aditya Bhol. 2015. **Swachh Bharat: Industry Engagement – Scope & Examples**. SCI-FI: Sanitation Initiative, Research Report. New Delhi: Centre for Policy Research

Membership

- International Sociological Association
- American Sociological Association