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**Academic Qualifications** (reverse chronological order):

**July, 2019- Present**

PhD scholar, School of Habitat Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai

- Enrolled in July, 2019
- Title of Thesis- Inequity in the production of public health and environmental risks through 'Flexible' planning and governance: a case study of sanitation infrastructures in Gurugram

**June, 2017- May, 2019**

MPhil, School of Habitat Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai

- Thesis title : The Flexible State and Dynamic Citizenship in the Millennial City: A case study of the sanitation system of a planned HUDA sector
- CGPA – 7.6 (Grades for dissertation -7.8)

**July, 2016**

Qualified CBSE UGC NET- July, 2016

- Subject- Sociology

**July, 2014- June, 2016**

M.A. Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, Delhi

- Overall percentage- 59.06%
- Recipient of the Krishna Raj Summer Travel Fellowship, 2015

**July, 2011- June, 2014**

B.A. (Hons.) Sociology, Miranda House, University of Delhi, Delhi

- Overall percentage- 67.25%
- Received the University Rankers Award (North Campus), University of Delhi, 2014

**July, 2009-May, 2011**

AISSCE (CBSE), Notre Dame Academy, Patna

- Overall percentage- 86.4%
- Subjects- English, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics



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### **June, 2009**

AISSE (CBSE), Notre Dame Academy, Patna

- Overall percentage- 93.8%
- Subjects- English, Hindi, Science, Social Science, Mathematics

### **Field of Specialization under the Subject/Discipline:**

Urban planning and governance, Urban Sanitation infrastructural planning, Public Health, Environmental health, Citizenship, Risks

### **Total Teaching Experience:**

#### **Assistant Professor (June, 2023- Present)**

- Department of Sociology, Miranda House, University of Delhi

#### **Assistant Professor (*Ad-hoc*) (November, 2021- June, 2023)**

- Department of Sociology, Miranda House, University of Delhi

#### **Teaching Assistant (TA), (July 2021- December, 2021 & July, 2020- , January 2021 (2 Semesters)**

- Course- Post Graduate Course on Qualitative Research Methodology (QRM), School of Habitat Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai
- Class strength- 86 students from all MA courses of the School of Habitat Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai
- Assisted in taking lectures, conduct group discussions and doubt clearing sessions, grading assignments and framing questions for assignments/ evaluation related to qualitative research methodology

**Teaching at Miranda House since:** November, 2021- Present

### **Research Projects (reverse chronological order):**

#### **December 2023- Present**

##### **Co- Principal Investigator (Co-PI)**

- Working as a Co-PI for a project titled as “ Drafting a Heat Action Plan (HAP) through the interrelationship of geo-spatial indicators in the realm of urban planning and governance :A case study of Gurugram”. The project is funded by the R&D Cell of Miranda House, University of Delhi



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**August, 2019- January, 2020**

### **Research Officer**

- Actively worked in the project- “Urban Resettlement Sites: An emergent health challenge” of Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai and Public health Foundation of India

**February, 2019 – March, 2019**

### **Research Assistant**

- Engagement in the project- “ICSSR-NWO Bilateral Programme in the field of Social Sciences” of Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai
- Involved in the editorial work and review of secondary literature

**Membership Of Professional Bodies** (reverse chronological order):

- Life time member of the Indian Sociological Society

### **Honours and Awards**

- Selected for the Krishna Raj Summer Travel Fellowship, 2015
- Received the University Rankers Award (North Campus), University of Delhi, 2014
- Secured 17th city rank in the 12th National Science Olympiad, 2010

### **Publications**

- Published a research article titled, “Urban Development Model of Millennial City: A case study of Gurugram”, in the Jan-Jun 2023 edition, Vol. XX of Bihar Journal of Public Administration, ISSN:0974-2735 (UGC CARE LIST OF JOURNALS S.NO-41) <http://www.iipabiharbranch.org/upload/Journal%20Volume%20XX.pdf>
- Published an article titled “COVID-19 is not a great leveller” in South Asian Today, July, 01 2021 <https://www.southasiatoday.com.au/article-9167-covid-19-is-not-a-great-leveller-details.aspx>

**Seminars/Workshops/Conferences attended** (reverse chronological order):

### **International conferences**

- Presented paper, “Creation of the sanitary regime: A case study of the role of the street level bureaucrats in the everyday sanitation infrastructural governance in a planned residential sector of Gurugram”, at Urban Arc, IIHS, January, 2023.
- Presented paper, “Operationalisation and maintenance of sanitation infrastructure: A case study of Street level bureaucrats in the millennial city, Gurugram” in the RC21 held in Athens- Greece at the Harakopio University, August, 2022
- Presented paper, “Who and what is secured? Decoding the objectives of the waste management system of the Indian millennial city” in the International Conference on Hydro-rationalities in South Asia, January 2021



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- Presented paper “Dynamic citizenship: exploring the urbanism of the millennial city” in RC-21, September 2019 in Delhi
- Presented paper “The exceptional millennial city: the planning and governance in Gurugram” in Urban Arc-2019, organized by IIHS, Bangalore

### **National Conferences**

- Presented paper, “Shaping the sanitation infrastructure: A case study of everyday negotiations of the public(s) of the millennial city, Gurugram” in the 47th All India Sociological Conference, December, 2022, Meghalaya
- Presented paper, “Flexible” sanitation planning and governance in the millennial city: A case study of sanitation infrastructure of two residential sectors in Gurugram”, at the MS Gore Centenary National Conference, SDS, TISS, Mumbai, December, 2021
- Presented paper titled as the “The ontology of waste: decoding the objectives of the sanitation system of a planned HUDA sector” in the 45th All India Sociological Conference, December, 2019, Thiruvananthapuram

### **International Workshops**

- Participated and presented co- authored paper titled as “Re-imagining sustainability in the post Covid world: A case study of Jamshedpur and Gurugram, India” in the 14th Next Generation The 14th Next-Generation Global Workshop "New Normal Lifestyles during/post-COVID-19: from Crisis to Opportunity" organised by Kyoto University, Japan, Kyoto University Asian Studies Unit and Heidelberg University Association in September, 2021
- Participated and presented paper titled as “Exploring the ambiguous position of public health in the realm of sanitation planning and governance- a case study of the sanitation system of Gurugram” in the Seventh Annual PhD workshop at Indian Institute for Human Settlements, January, 2021
- Participated and presented paper titled as “Dynamic Citizenship: Exploring the urbanism in the millennial city”, in the workshop on “Seeing the state: Unpacking the challenge of state capacity and development” organised by the Brown University International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI), Brown University and State Capacity Initiative, Centre for Policy Research, Delhi in January, 2020, Delhi

### **National Workshops**

- Participated in the “Write to Publish” writing workshop organised by Review of Urban Affairs, Economic and Political Weekly- Urban Studies Journal (USJ) in Goa from June 9, 2023- June 14, 2023.