

Dr. Rajarshi Majumder

Rajarshi Majumder teaches Economics at the University of Burdwan, West Bengal. Gold-medallist in Graduation and Post-graduation, UGC Research Fellow, and a Doctorate from *Centre for the Study of Regional Development, Jawaharlal Nehru University*, he has written on issues related to Infrastructure, Regional Development, Labour, and Human Resource. His works have been published in *Asia Pacific Development Journal, Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy, South Asia, Indian Economic Review, Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, as also in various edited volumes. He has also authored chapters in several District Human Development Reports of West Bengal, as also in both Assam and Mizoram State Human Development Reports. He has three books to his credit. He is also a Visiting Professor for the *Dialogue of Civilizations* program of Northeastern University, Boston, Mass. since 2013.



Current Position: *Professor* of Economics, University of Burdwan [from 18th December, 2012]

Education:

- PhD on *Regional Development and Infrastructure*, 2003, from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, [Supervisor: Prof Ashok Mathur]
- MSc in Economics (University Gold Medalist), 1994 from University of Burdwan.
- BSc in Economics with Honours (University Gold Medalist), 1992 from University of Burdwan.

Awards:

- Sanjay Thakur Young Labour Economist Award for the best paper at the 48th Annual Conference of Indian Society of Labour Economics, 2007
- University Gold Medal and Jahar Smriti Puraskar for being placed First in First Class in the University Post-graduation Examination in Economics, 1994
- Gold Medal(s) for being placed First in First Class in the University Examination – Economics Honours, 1992
- Durgapur Government College Award for securing Highest Marks in the University Examination in Science (Honours) stream, 1992 in the College

Areas of Teaching: Development Economics; Econometrics; Energy Economics.

Areas of Research Interest: Labour Economics; Regional Development; Climate Change, Energy & Infrastructure; Human Development.

Visitorship/External Involvements/Others:

- Embedded since 2014 with the visiting team of students as a Visiting Professor for the *Climate Change Science and Policy* course under Dialogue of Civilizations program of Northeastern University, Boston, Mass.
- Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, University of Mumbai during January 2016
- Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, Gauhati University during March 2019
- Acted as resource person for several Refresher Courses on Research Methodology, Regional Development, Climate Change Policy, in different universities of India.
- Member, Editorial Advisory Board, *The Indian Journal of Labour Economics*
- Editor, Journal of Regional Development and Planning (a refereed and indexed print journal)
- Reviewer for *World Development, Sarvekshana, Journal of Social and Economic Development*, and also for Springer.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS:

Check my working papers at <http://ideas.repec.org/f/pma711.html>

Books Authored:

1. *Intergenerational Mobility: A Study of Social Classes in India*, Springer, 2013
2. *Glimpses from Bengal: An Empirical Account*, Abhijeet Publications, New Delhi, 2013
3. *Infrastructure and Development in India: Interlinkages and Policy Issues*, Rawat Publications, Jaipur, 2008

Books Edited:

1. *Development and Exclusion in India*, (with Suchismita M Sarkar), Segment Books, 2018
2. *Growth and Development in India: Regional Dimensions*, (with Atanu Sengupta and Jaya Prakash Pradhan), Segment Books, 2017

Popular/General Writings:

- “Regional Imbalance in India: History and beyond”, *Geography and You*, July-August, 2014, New Delhi

Papers/Articles:

- “Gender Inequality in Wage and Employment in Indian Labour Market”, (jointly with Sita Lama), *Journal of Academic Research in Economics*, Vol. 10(3), p482-500, 2018
- “Technology and Labour Market: Insights from Indian Manufacturing Sector”, *The Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, Vol. 61(2), p321-38, 2018, Springer, [DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s41027-018-0128-1>]
- “Performance and Potential of the Unorganised Manufacturing Sector: A Brief Study of the North Eastern States” in *Deepak K Mishra and Vandana Upadhyay (eds) Rethinking Economic Development in North East India: The Emerging Dynamics*, Routledge, 2017
- “Workers on the move: Migrated labour in India in early 21st century,” *The Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, Vol. 59(3), p419-40, 2016, Springer, [DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s41027-017-0065-4>]
- “Mobility and Stagnation in India’s Rural Labour Market”, *Journal of Rural Development*, Vol. 36, No. (1), pp1-19, 2017, NIRD&PR, [DOI: <https://doi.org/10.25175/jrd/2017/v36/i1/112698>]
- “Unpaid Work and Missing Women in the Indian Labour Market”, (jointly with Nandini Mukherjee), *Indian Journal of Human Development*, Vol. 9, No. 2, 2015, pp191-217, Sage, [DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0973703020150203>]
- “Occupation and Income Mobility in India : Evidences from Recent NSSO Surveys”, *Sarvekshana*, 99th Issue, 2015
- “Structural Change or Social Fluidity? Examining Intergenerational Mobility in Education in India”, (jointly with Jhilam Ray) *Journal of Educational Planning and Administration*, Vol. XXVIII No. 3, July 2014
- “Efficiency and Regional Comparative Advantage: Revisiting the Factory Sector in India”, (jointly with Dipa Mukherjee) *The Journal of Industrial Statistics*, Vol. 3, No. 1, March, 2014
- “Snakes and Ladders: Intergenerational Income Mobility in India”, *Indian Journal of Human Development*, Vol. 7, No. 2, July-Dec 2013, (jointly with Jhilam Ray)
- “Poverty and Inequality in India: The Role of Infrastructure”, *Asian Economic Review*, Vol. 55, No. 3, 2013
- “Female Labour Supply in India: Proximate Determinants”, *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, Vol. 55, No. 3, 2012

Research Projects / Consultancy:

- Co-investigator: Impact Assessment of Digital India Land Records Modernisation Programme of States/UTs – Manipur”; Funding Authority: Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussourie, **Ongoing**
- Jt-Coordinator: *District Human Development Report – Cooch Behar*; Collaborative Research Project; Funding Authority: Department of Planning, Government of West Bengal, **Completed**
- Co-Director: *Internal Migration and Inclusive Development: Micro Issues and Macro Dimensions*; Major Research Project; Funding Authority: Indian Council of Social Science Research, **Completed**
- Co-Director: *Multiplier Effect of Increasing Female Employment: Assessing Impacts in Urban Centres*; Collaborative Project; Funding Authority: Indian Council of Social Science Research, **Completed**

- **Principal Author: EDUCATION** chapter in “District Human Development Report – Bardhaman 2015”; Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; **Completed 2016**
- **Co-Author: GENDER** chapter in “District Human Development Report – Bardhaman 2015”; Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; **Completed 2016**
- **“Infrastructure and Poverty Alleviation: A Regional Study”** – ICSSR Sponsored Research Project; Funding Authority: Indian Council of Social Science Research; **Completed, April 2014**
- **“Intergenerational Mobility among Backward Classes”** – UGC Major Research Project; Funding Authority: University Grants Commission of India; **Completed, May 2011**
- **Author: “EMPLOYMENT AND LIVELIHOOD”** chapter in “Assam State Human Development Report”; Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; Coordinating Agency: Institute for Human Development, New Delhi and OKD Institute of Social Change and Development, Guwahati; **Completed, 2014**
- **Principal Author: Five Chapters [on EDUCATION; HEALTH; EMPLOYMENT AND LIVELIHOOD; POVERTY AND INEQUALITY; GENDER ISSUES]** in “Mizoram State Human Development Report”; Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; Coordinating Agency: Institute for Human Development, New Delhi; **Completed 2012**
- **“EDUCATION”** chapter in “District Human Development Report – Purulia” (principal author); Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; **Completed 2011**
- **“EDUCATION”** chapter in “District Human Development Report – Hoogly” (coauthor); Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; **Completed 2011**
- **Author: “EDUCATION”** chapter in “District Human Development Report – Bardhaman”; Funding Authority: UNDP & Planning Commission; **Completed 2011**
- **“Evaluation of Bridge Course Centres in Bardhaman District”**, Funding Authority: Sarva Shiksha Mission, Bardhaman District, Government of West Bengal; **Completed 2008**
- **“Evaluation of Educational Status of Children in Brickfield Areas in Bardhaman District”**, Funding Authority: Sarva Shiksha Mission, Bardhaman District, Government of West Bengal; **Completed 2008**
- **“Evaluation of Conditions of Child with Special Needs in Schools of Bardhaman District”**, Funding Authority: Sarva Shiksha Mission, Bardhaman District, Government of West Bengal; **Completed 2008**

Research Supervision:

MPhil Dissertations (Awarded):

1. *Telecommunication Infrastructure and Development in India*, Jhuma Mukhopadhyay, 2004
2. *Human Development in West Bengal – A Temporal Study*, Hasina Firdous, 2004.
3. *Gender Bias in Educational Attainment in India – Issues and Interactions*, Keka Sinha, 2004.
4. *Productivity in the Cotton Textile Industry in India – A Regional Study*, Samrat Chowdhury, 2004.
5. *Global Energy Trends and Energy-GDP Relationship: A Brief Study*, Sanchita Garai, 2008.
6. *Energy Consumption by Indian Households*, Bidyapati Pati, 2008.
7. *Energy Consumption and Economic Growth: A Cross-national Perspective*, Bidisha Chatterjee, 2017

Work under Progress:

1. *Financial Constraints and Education Enrolment in India*, Ekanki Pathak

PhD Supervision

Awarded:

1. *Land Use and Land Cover Change in Damodar Basin: A Spatial Modelling Approach*, Biplab Biswas, 2008.
2. *Unorganised Sector and Regional Economic Development*, Suchismita Mondal (Sarkar), 2009.
3. *Environmental Costs of Industrialisation in West Bengal: A Study In Durgapur Region*, Sk Samim Ferdows, 2012
4. *Intergenerational Mobility among Backward Classes in India*, Jhilam Ray, 2015
5. *Social Sector Development: An Integrated Study of Education and Health Sectors in India*, Koushik Kumar Hati, 2015
6. *Economic Inequality and Growth: An Indian Perspective*, Santanu Ray Chaudhuri, 2016

Work under Progress:

1. *Internal Migration in India: Trends, Patterns and Policy Issues*, Farhat Naaz
2. *Energy Intensity and Rebound Effect*, Bidisha Chatterjee
3. *Skill, Employability and Demographic Dividend*, Sanjukta De (jointly with Jhilam Ray)

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