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Areas of Research

Industrial development, labour, economic history, and Intellectual Property Rights

He received his Ph.D. in Economics on 'The Development of Capital Goods Industry in India with special reference to Indian Machine Tools' from the University of Calcutta. He has also completed the following academic courses: Indian Patent System from the Indian Patent Office; History and Planning of Science from The Asiatic Society, Kolkata; Basic Concept on Gandhian Thought from the Centre for Gandhian Studies, Gandhi Memorial Committee; Survey Research Methodology from the Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Kolkata; Research Training Programme from the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences Calcutta (CSSSC) and Computer Application in Social Science from the Centre for Social Studies (CSS), Surat, Gujarat.

He has served as Guest Lecturer in the Department of Economics, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal and RabindraBharati University, Kolkata. At present he is working at the IDSK on Indian industrial development, labour,agriculture,decentralised planning, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and Indian research and development. Planning to edit a book on *Development of Capital Goods in India*.



Completed a project on **Evaluation of National Child Labour Project** (NCLP), Commissioned by the Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India, sponsored by V.V. Giri National Labour Institute, Noida, Uttar Pradesh.

Worked on a Project on Prospect of capital goods industry in the

WTO regime: India and Australia, jointly with Dr.PundarikMukhopadhyay and P. Basu, Macquire University, Sydney, Australia.

Acted as a Resource person for the topic **India: WTO and After** in the Refresher Course for College /University Teachers, sponsored by UGC, at Gauhati University, July 2007.

Participated in the Conference on **Child Labour** organised by V.V. Giri National Labour Institute, Noida, Uttar Pradesh, June 2007.

At present (2011-12) engaged in the project, Mainstream Migration, Scientific Diasporas and Development: Impact of Skilled Return Migration on Development in India. A project in collaboration with Swiss Federal Technology the Institute of in Lausanne (EcolePolytechniqueFederale De Lausanne- EPFL), Switzerland, the International Migration and Diasporas Studies(IMDS) ,the Zakir Husain Centre for Educational Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, and the International Migration Programme of the International Labour Office (ILO), Geneva, and IRD, France.

Presentation of papers or participation in conference /seminar:

National Seminar on Prospects and Challenges for Rural Economic Development (2011) at the Department of Economics and Politics, Visva- Bharati, Santiniketan.

Paper presented: Reforms in the Agricultural Sector and Indian Planning during the 11th Five Year Plan: An analysis in the Perspectives of Rabindranath Tagore's thoughts and experiments on rural and agricultural reforms

Seminar on Tagore's Ideas on Environment and Sustainable Development and their Current Relevance (2011) at the RabindraBharati University organised by the Centre for Studies on Environment and Development(CSED), Higher sustainable Centre for Education Management (CHEM),and Department of Environmental Studies, Rabindra Bharati University.

Paper presented: Environment Crisis Today: Re-reading Tagore in 21 Century.

Selected Publications:



'Indian patents as competitive instruments', (jointly with Amiya Kumar Bagchi), Economic and Political Weekly, June 24, 1995.

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