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CURRICULUM VITAE

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LANGUAGES English

EXPERTISE

Natural resource management, rural livelihoods, poverty alleviation, food security, community forestry, watershed and drinking water programmes, governance, decentralisation, and peoples' participation.

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

1989-1992 D.Phil. on Agro-forestry in India, University of Oxford

RECORD OF EMPLOYMENT

Current Principal, The Policy Practice Ltd

From July 2002 **Independent consultant.** Recent assignments include:

- Analysis of budget and program delivery for poor states in India for Unicef
- Evaluation of WFP India along with Tony Beck
- Peer Review of a World Bank study on Corruption in Orissa
- Reforming Public Distribution System in Bihar for World Bank (2006)
- Paper on safety net programmes in India for World Bank (2006)
- Natural Resource Management and ethnic minorities in Laos and Vietnam for ADB (2005)
- Reviewed State Human Development Reports with Carl Riskin for UNDP (2005)
- Peer Review of a World Bank study on Centrally Sponsored Schemes in India (2005)
- Peer Review of a World Bank document on Program Delivery in India (2005)
- Appraisal of a SIDA funded World Bank proposal to set up a new Social Development Unit (2005)
- Peer Review of a World Bank /FAO book on forestry in India (2005)
- Presentation for SIDA on 'Forestry in Laos' before Deputy PM & several Ministers (2005)
- Member, DFID Watershed Mission, Orissa (2005)
- Member, Evaluation of CIDA activities in India (2004)
- Develop Social Capital and Participation in Vietnam for UNDP (2004)
- Adviser, World Bank, proposed forestry project, Jharkhand (2004)
- Paper for IUCN Geneva on poverty & environment (2004)
- Reviewed Water & Sanitation Programmes in Bihar for Unicef (2004)
- Reviewed ADB's strategy for poverty reduction in Vietnam, Laos & Cambodia (2004)

- Wrote a paper on 'Land Management in India' for World Bank & DFID (2004)
- Wrote a paper on "Poverty Assessment in Tonle Sap (Cambodia), & presented in a World Bank/ADB workshop at Phnom Penh in April 2004
- Reviewed ICDS programme for Unicef in Jharkhand (2004)
- Reviewed ICDS and immunisation programs in Bihar for Unicef (2003)
- Prepared a policy note on service delivery & governance in Kerala for ADB (2003)
- Member of the World Bank Mission on Punjab on governance (2003)
- Wrote for SIDA the background paper and facilitated the donor workshop on 'New Government Policy on Bilateral Aid' (2003),
- Helped Oxford Policy Management (OPM) on Rural Poverty in UP for World Bank (2003)
- Wrote a paper on 'Financial Transfers to Bihar' for World Bank (2003)
- Associate Member of an International Team to evaluate IUCN (2003)
- Reviewed along with Bob Fisher a study by CIFOR on participatory forest management in India, China, and the Philippines for IFAD (2003)
- Helped the World Bank in writing the Development Policy Review for India (2003)
- Wrote a paper for IFPRI, Washington on 'Land Policy in India' (2003)
- Wrote three papers with John Farrington for ODI, London on poverty programmes & food security in India (2002-03)
- Facilitated a Danida Workshop on Gender and Agriculture (2003)
- Reviewed school sanitation in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka for Unicef (2002)
- Reviewed health and drinking water interventions of Unicef in Orissa (2002)
- Wrote a paper for ICIMOD on Natural Resource Management (2002)
- Wrote a paper on Poverty and Environment in India for UNDP (2002)
- Suggested a new poverty intervention strategy for UNDP (2002),
- Worked as a NRM Specialist for a DFID/IFAD Mission on Orissa (2001)
- Wrote a paper for OED, World Bank on Forestry in India (2001)
- Wrote a paper for IFAD on 'Rural Poverty, Gender & NRM in Meghalaya' (2001)
- Appraised a SIDA/CIDA Project on Tree Growers Cooperatives (2001)
- Wrote a paper for Danida on Peoples' Participation and Civil Society (2001)
- Reviewed a World Bank study on drinking water in India and Pakistan (2001)
- Reviewed for SIDA the progress of Centre for Science and Environment (2001)

1999-2002	Secretary, Planning Commission, Government of India
1997-99	Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India
1993-97	Director, National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie, India
1992-93	Adviser with a NGO, SPWD, New Delhi, India
1987-89	On leave to do research on forests and poverty issues
1985-87	Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India
1983-85	Expert, Rural Development, Afghanistan
1980-83	Secretary, Govt. of U.P. in Land Reforms and Food & Civil Supplies
1976-80	Deputy Director, National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie, India
1964-76	Various positions in government with 4 years as District Magistrate
1962-64	Lecturer, University of Allahabad, India

Recent Presentation of papers or attending International Workshops

October 2005	Paper on NRM & ethnic minorities in Vietnam and Laos for ADB
March 2005	Presentation on External Aid in India at London for IDS
November 2004	Keynote address on Linking Research with Policy, DSA Conference, London (ODI)
November 2004	Keynote speech on Role of Planning in a Market Economy (World Bank, Vietnam)
September 2004	Paper on Agriculture at OECD workshop at Paris, and discussions with IUCN at Geneva
April-Sept 2004	Field visits to Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia to study ADB's poverty reduction strategy
July, 2003	Keynote address on Food Security to DFID Rural Dev. Advisers, Surrey (UK)
May -July 2003	Nairobi, Bangkok, and Geneva to review IUCN's work
May 2003	CIFOR Indonesia to review a study on local management of forests
April 2003	Colombo, World Bank meet on Poverty
Dec 2002	Presentation on 'Poverty and Environment' at Kathmandu for SAPAP, UNDP
2002 - 2004	Four Governing Council Meetings ADB Institute Board, Manila & Tokyo
Sept 2002	WSSD, Johannesburg, made a presentation on 'Water and Corruption'

July 2002	Glasgow, Member of DFID Board to recruit Social Development Advisers
May 2002	Kathmandu, ICIMOD, Natural Resource Management
March 2002	IDS Sussex, Poverty and Social Expenditure
Feb 2002	Copenhagen, Sustainable Development, Danida
Feb 2002	Rome, Poverty Alleviation Strategy, IFAD
Feb 2002	Manila, Forest Policy, ADB
2001 - 2002	Bangkok, lectures on Governance for Actionaid
Aug 2001	Bern and Basel, Lectures on Economic Development in India, SDC
Aug 2001	Stockholm, Sustainable Development, SIDA

SELECTED RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Books and booklets

Trends and Prospects for Poverty Reduction in Rural India, with John Farrington, working paper 198, ODI, London, 2003

India: Alleviating Poverty through Forest Development, jointly with Nalini Kumar, Yogendra Alagh and Kinsuk Mitra, OED, World Bank, Washington, 2000

Joint Forest Management: Policy, Practice and Prospects (jointly with others), WWF India and IIED, London, 2000

Law and Policy for the Poor in India, UNDP, 1997

The Saga of Participatory Forest Management in India, CIFOR, Indonesia, 1997

Farm Forestry in South Asia, ed. jointly with Vishwa Ballabh, Sage, 1995

India's Eucalyptus Craze: the God that Failed, Sage, 1994

To the Hands of the Poor: Water and Trees, jointly with Robert Chambers and Tushaar Shah, Intermediate Technology, London, and Oxford and IBH, New Delhi, 1989, 2nd reprint 1991

Articles in Journals

External aid to India, IDS Bulletin, 36 (3), Sept. 2005

Bridging research and policy in India, Journal of International Development, 17, 1–10 (2005), London

'Updating Land Records: Is computerisation sufficient?' EPW 22nd January 2005

Improving Programme Delivery, SEMINAR, September 2004

NTFPs in Orissa, International Forestry Review, 5 (2), 2003, Oxford

'Post Offices, Pensions, and Computers' Paper on safety net programmes, with John Farrington, NRP working paper 87, ODI, London, 2003

Role of Industry in Wasteland Development in India, International Forestry Review, 4 (3), 2002, Oxford

Poverty Alleviation in India through Innovative Policies and Better Governance, Asian Journal of Political Science 2001 (9): 95-122, Singapore

How have the poor done? Mid-term Review of the Ninth Plan, EPW, Oct. 7, 2000 & reproduced as an ODI, Natural Resources Perspectives Paper, 66, March 2001, London

Watershed Development in India: Policy Issues, Seminar, March, 2001

Articles in books

Synergising Government Efforts for Food Security, in 'From Vision to Action' edited by M.S. Swaminathan and Pedro Medrano, East West Books Chennai, 2004

Agricultural Policy and Rural Poverty Reduction in India, in 'Integrating the Rural Poor into Markets' by Bibek Debroy and Amir Ullah Khan, Academic Foundation, New Delhi 2004

Article with Nalini Kumar on 'India Forests: Potential for Poverty Alleviation' in a World Bank book 'Managing a Global Resource', Transaction, 2002

The New Forest Policy and Joint Forest Management in India, in 'The Forest Handbook' vol 2, edited by Julian Evans, Blackwell, 2001

The Western Ghats Forestry and Environmental Project in Karnataka, with Madhu Sarin, in 'A New Moral Economy of India's Forests?' Roger Jeffery and Nandini Sundar, Sage, 1999

NGOs in India, Charities Aid Foundation International (CAF), New Delhi, 1999

Two articles on economics of farm forestry in 'Tree Management and Farmer Strategies', ed. J.E.M. Arnold and Peter Dewees, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1995

OTHER INFORMATION

- Member, Editorial Board, Development Policy Review, London
- Member, Royal Swedish Academy of Agriculture and Forestry, Stockholm
- Member, Editorial Board, International Forestry Review, Oxford
- Honorary Commissioner, Supreme Court of India, to monitor food based programmes in India
- Member, National Advisory Council (NAC) under Mrs Sonia Gandhi, Government of India
- Member, Governing Council, ADB Institute, Tokyo, 2002-04
- Visiting Professor for six years on Forestry in India to Regional Community Forestry Training Centre (RECOFTC), Bangkok during 1993-98.
- Visiting Professor for six years on Forestry in India to Regional Community Forestry Training Centre (RECOFTC), Bangkok, 1993-98
- Visiting Fellow, CIFOR (Centre for International Forestry Research), Indonesia, to work on Sustainable Forest Management, 1994-95
- Senior Post-Doctorate Fellowship from Rockefeller Foundation to do research at the University of Oxford, which resulted in Ph.D on agro-forestry in India., 1989-92
- Fellow at the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex, UK, to work with Robert Chambers on Forestry and the Poor in India, 1987

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