

### **Curriculum Vitae**

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### **Teaching and Research Interests**

- Costs of Armed Conflict, Public Health and Armed Conflict
- Humanitarian Response to Disasters and Complex Emergencies
- Methods of Field Research in Armed Conflict
- Armed Group Behavior
- Post-Conflict Stability and Post-Disaster Recovery.

### **Academic Qualifications:**

- Ph.D. Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware (2008).
- M.A. Political Science, Department of Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware (Newark, Delaware) (U.S.A): 2003-2005.
- M.A. in Politics (With a Specialization in International Relations), School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University (New Delhi) (India): 2001-2003.
- B.A. History (Honors), University of Delhi, (New Delhi) (India): 1998-2001.

### **Other Courses Attended:**

- Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Arizona State University, January 2007.
- RedR India Training Programme, Emergency Needs Assessment and Project Planning, February 2010.

**Doctoral Dissertation:**

***“Regulatory Oversight over Electoral Processes: A Case Study of the Election Commission of India”:*** The dissertation examined the politics of electoral management and studied the political evolution of India’s Nation Election Commission as well as its contribution to the consolidation of democracy in the post-independence era. The thesis also examined electoral regulatory institutions in Zimbabwe, Nigeria and Mexico in order to theorize the behavior of these institutions and link them with developments in South Asia.

**Qualifying Paper for the M.A. Degree awarded by the University of Delaware:**

***“The Corporatization of Military Force and the Rise of Private Authority in Global Governance”:*** The paper analyzed the evolution of Private Military Firms in the contemporary international system and their impact on International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights Law.

**Teaching/Work Experience [Tata Institute of Social Sciences, 2008-2012]**

**Courses Conceptualized, Designed and Taught at the Jamsetji Tata Centre for Disaster Management (JTCDM), Tata Institute of Social Sciences):**

- Research Methodology-I: Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences [MDM-9].
- Research Methodology-II: Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences [MDM-10].
- Transnational Governance Frameworks and Disaster Response [MDM-17].
- Introduction to Conflict Analysis [MDM-20].
- Conflict and Humanitarian Crises [MDM-21].
- Peace, Conflict and Just Development [MDM-22].
- Jointly coordinated Disaster Risk Reduction and Development Planning [MDM-3].

### **Project Director: Armed Conflict Field Research Project (ACRDP): 2010-2012**

- Project Director, “Armed Conflict Research and Documentation Project (ACRDP) at JTCDM”. The project sought to create a database of violent incidents in the state of Manipur to assess the impact of violence on vulnerable communities and identify regions at risk. 2,538 insurgency related incidents have been recorded in the database. The project also integrates Geographical Information Systems (GIS) based analysis to create conflict vulnerability maps. In addition the project designed research studies on the micro-level impacts of armed conflict especially the consequences of conflict-induced fatality and injury. [Source of Funding: JTCDM Research Grant: Rs.600,000]

### **Disaster and Other Related Fieldwork**

- Jointly led a team of twenty students from the Jamsetji Tata Centre for Disaster Management (JTCDM) (Tata Institute of Social Sciences) to work in Saharsa district of Bihar in the aftermath of the Kosi Floods 2008.
- Part of post-disaster study team from JTCDM to the Sunderbans region in the aftermath of Cyclone Aila, June 2009.
- Part of post-disaster study team from JTCDM to the flood affected areas of Mahbubnagar District (Andhra Pradesh), October 2009.
- Part of study team, Post-Disaster Assessment for Sikkim Earthquake, October 2011.
- Part of survey team, Community Amenities Survey (CAS) in M-Ward (East) Mumbai, conducted by Tata Institute of Social Sciences, November 2011.
- Ongoing project related fieldwork for ACRDP, 2010-2012.

### **Resource Person for Training Workshop**

- Resource Person, JTCDM Training on “Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding in Disaster Management” 12<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> April 2010.
- 29<sup>th</sup> November-2<sup>nd</sup> December 2009, Jointly with C.V.Mandar (RedR India): “Qualitative and Quantitative Surveys for Disaster Risk Reduction” for fieldworkers of Rural Volunteers Centre (RVC), Majuli Island [Jorhat District, Assam].
- 4<sup>th</sup> December-7<sup>th</sup> December 2009, Jointly with C.V.Mandar (RedR India): “Qualitative and Quantitative Surveys for Disaster Risk Reduction” for fieldworkers of Grameen Vikas Mancha (GVM) [Nalbari District, Assam].

## **Administrative Tasks at the JTCDM**

### ***Workshops/Internships Organized***

- 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> November 2011: “Introductory Workshop on International Relations: Perspectives on the Challenges of Conflict Resolution.” Organized jointly with the Middle-East Institute, New Delhi.
- 10<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> September 2011: Training Workshop on “Introduction to Planning and Management of Humanitarian Response” at JTCDM-TISS. Workshop conducted by RedR India.
- Jointly Coordinated with SAFE Citizen India, Training Workshop for JTCDM students “Management Perspectives on Disaster Risk Reduction and Humanitarian Response” [23<sup>rd</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> March 2010].
- Jointly coordinated with Dr. Guru Balamurugan (JTCDM) and Ms.Parnasri Ray Chaudri (UNICEF), JTCDM-State Interagency Group West Bengal (State IAG)-UNICEF Student Internship Programme, October 2009.
- Jointly coordinated with RedR India , Training Workshop on “The Challenges of Logistics in Complex Emergencies” 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> September 2009 for JTCDM-TISS students.

### ***Other Administrative Tasks (Programme Based)***

- **JTCDM Program Co-Coordinator 2009-2010.** As program co-coordinator the faculty is tasked with managing all aspects of the academic program including managing the academic timetable, formulation of prospectus, finalizing of grades, and liaising with other academic units.
- **JTCDM Research Co-Coordinator 2009-2012.** As Research Co-Coordinator the faculty is charged with managing the entire student field research process (both thesis and term paper), including ensuring allotment of research topics, allotments of suitable guides, ensuring implementation of research timetable, monitoring the progress of students and ensuring submission of research grades.
- **Research Guide (2008-2012):** I supervised 5 Masters’ Dissertations based on field research, related to armed conflict and ethnic riots and 6 Masters’ Dissertations (based on field research) related to Disaster Management and Disaster Risk Reduction. In addition, I supervised 6 Qualifying Term Papers related to Armed and Ethnic Conflict and 1 related to Disaster Risk Reduction.

## **Research and Teaching Experience (University of Delaware, USA, 2003-2008)**

### ***Course Instructor (University of Delaware, USA)***

- Summer Session 2007: Introduction to International Relations (POSC240-910)
- Fall 2006: Exploring International Relations (POSC241-010/011/012)

***Work Experience as a Teaching/Research Assistant (University of Delaware, USA):***

- Spring Semester 2007: Teaching Assistant: “Introduction to International Relations” (POSC 240-010).
- Spring Semester 2006: Teaching Assistant: “Introduction to Public Policy” (POSC 220-010).
- Fall Semester 2005: Teaching Assistant: “Introduction to International Relations” (POSC 240-010).
- Summer Session 2005: Research Assistant, Department of Political Science and International Relations, University of Delaware.
- Spring Semester 2004: Teaching Assistant: “Introduction to American Politics” (POSC150-010).
- Fall Semester 2004: Teaching Assistant: “Introduction to International Relations” (POSC 240-010).
- Fall Semester 2003: Teaching Assistant: “The Politics of Developing Nations” (POSC 311-010).
- Spring Semester 2005: Teaching Assistant: “The History of American Political Thought” (POSC 387-010).

**Other Experience**

- **Research Associate, Tribal & Dalit Studies Unit of the Indian Social Institute**, New Delhi (September-January 2007). As part of the association with the institute provided research assistance with projects on “Development Induced Displacement” and “Conflict and Identity.”

**Research Internships**

- **Summer Research Internship, Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies**, New Delhi (July-August 2006): Responsibilities during the internship included researching security issues in South Asia and Security Sector Reform in Afghanistan.
- **National Foundation for India-ASHA Summer Internship Program** (May-July 2003): Responsibilities during the internship included the documentation and collection of data at the village level on Micro-Credit Groups established by an NGO, Tarun Sanskar operating in two rural districts Madhya Pradesh) as well as evaluating the impact of Watershed Management techniques practiced by the same NGO in the region.

**Academic Conference Presentations and Participation**

- 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> March 2012. UGC sponsored National Seminar on Social Exclusion and Women in India, Women Studies Department, Southfield College, Darjeeling. “The Provision of State Assistance to Widows in Situations of Armed Conflict in India” [Dr. Upasana Mahanta and Dr.Samrat Sinha].

- 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> March, 2012. National Commission for Women-Centre for Women's Studies Dibrugarh University Conference on Human Rights and Women: A North East Perspective. "Conflict Induced Widowhood and the Right to State Assistance: A Case Study of Manipur" [Dr. Upasana Mahanta and Dr. Samrat Sinha].
- 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> September 2011. First Conference on Recording Casualties of Armed Conflict Conference Oxford Research Group, London.
- 30<sup>th</sup> May-3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2011. World Congress on Disaster and Emergency Medicine (WCDEM), Beijing. Papers with author details: "Impact of Protracted Intrastate Conflict on Population Health in Manipur" [V.Kaushik, S.Nair, S.Sinha and N.Roy]. "The 2008 Mumbai Attack and the Changing Pattern of Violent Injuries" [Y.Tanwar, V.Kaushik, N.Roy, S.Sinha, B.Gurumurugan].
- 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> December 2008. Third Annual Conference of the Latin American Studies Council of Asia and Oceania (CELAO), Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi: "Pathways of Democratization: A Comparative Study of Electoral Governance Institutions in Mexico, Nigeria and Zimbabwe."
- 23<sup>rd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> November 2007. Third International Congress, Asian Political and International Studies Association (APISA), New Delhi. "The Political Empowerment of Women through Panchayati Raj Institutions: A Critical Assessment of India's Experiment with Affirmative Action."
- 24<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> October 2007. Immigration, Minorities and Multiculturalism in Democracies (IMMD), Montreal, Canada. "Political Empowerment of Minority Women through Panchayati Raj Institutions: A Critical Assessment of India's Experiment with Affirmative Action." [Dr. Upasana Mahanta and Samrat Sinha]
- 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> November 2006: Joint Annual Conference of the Northeast Political Science Association (NEPSA)/International Studies Association Northeast (ISA-NE), Boston MA. Paper Presented: "Towards Free and Fair: India's National Election Commission in a Comparative Context."
- 3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> November 2006: Joint Annual Conference of the International Studies Association Midwest (ISA-MW)/Central Slavic Conference (CSC)/Mid America Alliance of African Studies (MAAAS) at Saint-Louis, Missouri. Paper Presented: "Towards Free and Fair: India's National Election Commission in a Comparative Context."
- 21<sup>st</sup> April 2006: Legal Studies Program (LEST) Student Paper Conference, University of Delaware. Paper Presented: "The Corporatization of Military Force: Problems of Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law"— Awarded the best paper among graduate student submissions.
- 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> November 2005: Joint Annual Conference of the Northeast Political Science Association (NEPSA)/International Studies Association Northeast (ISA-NE), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Paper Presented: "The Corporatization of Military Force and the Rise of Private Authority in Global Governance."

### **Workshop Participation:**

- 22<sup>nd</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> May 2009: “Seeking Peace in Changing Worlds: Conflict Transformation and the New Geopolitics of Power” Seventh Annual Conflict Transformation Workshop Conducted by Women in Security, Conflict Management and Peace (WISCOMP), New Delhi.
- 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> July 2008. The South Asian People’s Assembly 2008. Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> February 2008: Responsible Conduct of Research Course conducted by the Office of Research and Graduate Studies, The University of Delaware.
- 13<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> June 2007. ITUE 10th Anniversary Symposium-Transforming Undergraduate Education: Promises, Benefits, and Limitations, University of Delaware.
- 17<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> January 2007: Institute for Transforming Undergraduate Education (ITUE) Workshop on Problem Based Learning, The University of Delaware.

### **Publications**

#### ***Forthcoming***

- Book chapter on “Victim Assistance in India” for the Surviving Gun Violence Project. [Co-authored with Ms. Sonal Marwah, Dr. N.Roy].
- Co-authored Monograph for Lambert Academic Publishing (LAP), Germany: Nishant Buragohain, Dr. Samrat Sinha. “Sustainability of Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction (CBDRR) Programme: The case of Duryug Pratirodh Samiti (DPS) in Dhemaji District of Assam.”

#### ***Work in Progress***

- “Vulnerabilities of health providers and institutions in areas of conflict – Manipur as a case study.” [Dr. N.Roy, Dr. Samrat Sinha] To be submitted to a journal on medical ethics.
- “A study of armed attacks on ICRC staff worldwide” [Dr. N.Roy, S.Paubimang, Dr. Samrat Sinha]. For submission to a journal on medical ethics.
- “Conflict Induced Injury Patterns: A Case Study of Manipur: 2006-2010.” [Dr. N.Roy, Dr. Samrat Sinha]. For submission to a medical journal.
- “Spatial Understandings of Armed Conflict: A GIS based analysis of conflict in Manipur: 2008-2009.”

### ***Researchable Databases Developed***

- Manipur Micro-level Insurgency Database (MMID 2008-2009): Completed
- Manipur Micro-level Insurgency Database (MMID 2006-2010): Ongoing

### **Project Reports (Armed Conflict)**

- “The Burden of Armed Conflict and Insecurity: A Case Study of Conflict Dynamics in the State of Manipur (2008-2009).

### **Project Reports (Disasters)**

- Dr. Samrat Sinha and Dr. Guru Balamurugan. “The Challenges of Response and Recovery: The Aftermath of the Earthquake of 18<sup>th</sup> September 2011.”
- Dr. Samrat Sinha, Mr. Mahesh Kamble, Vikas Lakhani. “The Challenges of Conducting a Humanitarian Response: A Report on the Post-Floods Situation in Mahbubnagar District.” November 2009.
- Dr. Samrat Sinha and Ms. Parama Bhattacharyya. “Cyclone Aila in West Bengal: A Report by Jamsetji Tata Centre for Disaster Management, TISS.” June 2009. Available at [http://tiss.edu/Aila\\_report\\_webpage.pdf](http://tiss.edu/Aila_report_webpage.pdf)

### **Articles**

- G. Balamurugan, N.Roy, S.Sinha, V.Kurke, D.Purwar, S.David, “Applications of GIS in Public Health Risk Reduction – ArcGIS approach.” March 2011. [http://esriindia.com/Events/UC2011\\_files/Health\\_UCP0063.pdf](http://esriindia.com/Events/UC2011_files/Health_UCP0063.pdf)
- “Corporate Social Responsibility and the Rise of Private Military Firms in Situations of International Conflict.” September 2008. *Think 1*(1). A Publication of the Centre for Human Resource Management, Tata Institute of Social Sciences.
- “The Ritual of the Ballot.” *Himal Southasian* Vol. XX (5). May 2007.
- “Pakistan: Flawed Electoral Environment.” September 2007. [http://www.sspconline.org/article\\_details.asp?artid=art144](http://www.sspconline.org/article_details.asp?artid=art144)
- “The Problem of Pakistan’s Democratic Transition.” September 2007. <http://www.orfonline.org/cms/sites/orfonline/modules/analysis/AnalysisList.html?cmaid=11001>
- “The Politics of Judicial Institutions in Pakistan.” April 2007. [http://www.sspconline.org/article\\_details.asp?artid=art123](http://www.sspconline.org/article_details.asp?artid=art123)
- “Constructing a Democratic Peace: Institutional Building in Nepal.” January 2007. <http://ipcs.org/whatsNewArticle1.jsp?action=showView&kValue=2211&status=article&mod=b>



- “Constructing a Democratic Peace: Lessons from the Peace Process in Nepal.” January 2007. [http://www.nepalnews.com/archive/2007/others/guestcolumn/jan/guest\\_columns\\_12.php](http://www.nepalnews.com/archive/2007/others/guestcolumn/jan/guest_columns_12.php)
- “The Hasba Bill and Electoral Democracy: Lessons from the NWFP in Pakistan.” November 2006. <http://www.ipcs.org/whatsNewArticle1.jsp?action=showView&kValue=2165&status=article&mod=b>
- “Afghanistan: Failure of Security Sector Reforms and its Implications,” *Peace and Conflict* 9 (9): 4-5. September 2006. <http://www.ipcs.org/September2006-Vol9No9.pdf>
- “Afghanistan’s Anti- Narcotics Strategy.” *Peace and Conflict* 9 (9). September 2006 <http://www.ipcs.org/September2006-Vol9No9.pdf>
- IPCS Special Report, “Major Terrorist Attacks in India(2000-2006): A Profile” [http://ipcs.org/pdf\\_file/issue/693354742IPCS-Special-Report-27.pdf](http://ipcs.org/pdf_file/issue/693354742IPCS-Special-Report-27.pdf)

### **Awards and Honors**

- University of Delaware, Alumni Enrichment Award (March 2007): \$1000. Awarded to cover the costs of attending the Arizona State University Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, (2007).

### **Skills**

- Skills include operating packages such as SPSS (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences).

### **Languages**

- English (Fluent)
- Hindi (Fluent)
- Bengali (Fluent)

### **Academic References**

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