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SUMMARY	I am an Economist with a strong foundation in policy analysis, data analytics, and evidence-based research. I'm passionate about using data to drive informed decision-making and tackle complex economic challenges. With a solid grasp of economic principles, I enjoy translating insights into actionable strategies that can make a real difference for businesses and society alike. Whether working on policy issues or business solutions, I'm focused on delivering thoughtful, data-driven outcomes that contribute to meaningful, long-term impact.		
RESEARCH INTERESTS	PRIMARY FIELDS: Econometrics, Development Economics, Public Policy SECONDARY FIELDS: Applied Microeconomics, Political Economics, Economics of Identity		
CURRENT EXPERIENCE	Good Business Lab - Bangalore, India	June 2022 to Present	
	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Research Associate</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Leading evidence-based research, including randomized controlled trials (RCTs), for consulting projects with automobile and garment firms focused on assessing the impact of employee well-being and satisfaction on business performance.</li><li>• As a Research Associate, I contribute across multiple project phases, including intervention design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, and Data Analysis using STATA, R Studio, SurveyCTO, and Latex.</li></ul>		
SKILLS	Technical:	R, STATA, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X & MS Office (All Advanced); Python (Intermediate)	
	Languages:	Tamil (Native); English (Professional); Hindi and French (Conversational)	
EDUCATION	Azim Premji University, Bangalore, India	2022	
	Master of Arts in Economics		
	Azim Premji University, Bangalore, India	2020	
	Bachelor of Arts in Economics		
	Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago, USA	2019	
	Data and Policy Summer Scholar Program (Non-Degree)		
PAST EXPERIENCE	Working Peoples Charter - Mumbai, India	May 2021 to December 2021	
	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Intern - Research Assistant</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assisted the Senior Researcher on consulting projects for the government, focusing on Universal Basic Income and Urban Employment Guarantee.</li><li>• Responsibilities included preparing stakeholder questionnaires, conducting in-depth literature reviews, interviewing key participants, and drafting comprehensive project reports.</li></ul>		
	World Bank (short-term) - Remote, India	October 2020 to July 2021	
	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Research Assistant - Data Analysis</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contributed to a research project that examined the influence of political power on judicial outcomes in India.</li><li>• Supported the lead researcher by cleaning, organizing and analyzing large raw datasets using Excel to derive meaningful insights.</li></ul>		

<b>PROJECTS</b>	<b>Resource mapping - Project</b>	2022
	Using Geo-pandas in Python and publicly available data, a data project was undertaken to map the availability of particular resources such as public schools, public Distribution Systems (PDS), etc., across the state of Tamil Nadu.	
	<b>Fighting Crime and Time - Report</b>	2022
	Using in-dept interview method, a qualitative study was conducted on the work-life balance among police personnel in Sarjapur Police Station and wrote a report on it.	
	<b>Economics of Identity – Project</b>	2021
	Using Historical census reports (in the form of PDFs) and techniques like Web-scraping and manual entry, I wrote a paper called 'Madras Vs Bombay in 1871-1872' on measuring residential segregation in the said cities.	
	<b>Working With Data – Final Project</b>	2020
	Using <i>NSSO</i> dataset and techniques like Web-scraping, I created a data narrative website on consumption pattern over the years.	
	<b>Introduction to Computing – Final Project</b>	2019
	As part of coursework in Introduction to Computing under Data and Computing minor, developed an online material (website) on RAID Technology using <i>LINUX</i> command Line.	
	<b>Programming in R – Final Project</b>	2019
	As part of course project in the course programming in <i>R</i> under Data Computing minor, developed a fully running code to replicate an economic model called Segregation model by Schelling.	
	<b>Capstone Project</b>	2019
	During the summer program in Harris School of Public Policy under the University of Chicago, I worked on making policy recommendation to UNHCR using <i>R programming</i> and data collected privately by our research head Dr Kara Ross Camarena on Refugees and their Camps.	
	<b>Econometric Methods – Final Project</b>	2019
	As the final project for the Econometric methods course, I worked on a project titled 'Effects Of Caste On Debt' using <i>IHDS</i> dataset and <i>STATA</i> , to analyze the data to support the question.	
	<b>Christian Medical College - Internship Project</b>	2018
	Worked on a project based on their financial data in CMC on their Concession system titled 'A study to Evaluate and assess the concession system practiced in Christian Medical College, Vellore'.	
<b>PARTICIPATION</b>	Macro-economic workshop ( <i>Volunteered</i> ), Azim Premji University, India	2019
	Young Economist, Christ University, India	2019
	Youth exchange programme, Malaysia	2018
	CORE Econ workshop ( <i>Volunteered</i> ), Azim Premji University	2018
	International Conference on Management and Information Systems, Thailand	2018
	Capacity building workshop - International Opportunities for Academicians and Young Professionals, India	2017
	Sports for Development and Peace Youth Advocacy Toolkit Workshop, India	2015
	Youth exchange programme, Srilanka	2015
	Girls summit, London, United Kingdom	2014
<b>LEADERSHIP &amp; AWARDS</b>	Placement Committee member - <i>Newsletter head and Designer</i>	2021-2022
	Core committee member of Economics Club	2018-2020
	Duke of Edinburgh bronze award holder	2016
	Garnet house captain	2016-2017
	English club president	2015-2016
	School Pupil Leader (SPL)	2008-2010