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Positions Held

2020 – Assistant Professor, School of Social Sciences, National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS)

2014 – 2020 Assistant Professor, School of Development, Azim Premji University, Bangalore

2011 – 2012 Visiting Researcher, Department of Sociology, University of Georgia, United States

Education

2007–13 **PhD in the Economics and Policy Studies of Technical Change**

United Nations University / MERIT (UNU-MERIT), Maastricht, the Netherlands

2005–07 **MPhil Applied Economics**, Centre for Development Studies (CDS),

Trivandrum, under Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi

2003–05 **MSc Economics**, Madras School of Economics (MSE), Anna University, Chennai

2000–03 **BA Economics, Sociology, Political Science**, St. Joseph's College, Bangalore, India

Current Research Studies, and Papers currently under Journal Review

1. Neoliberal urban transition and consequent spatial and digital experiences in street-based sex work in Bangalore city (*co-authored book, under review | two co-authored papers under review in international journals*)
2. Interpreting self-care for cardiovascular disorders through a social-constructionist framework (*two co-authored papers*)

Research Output

Books

Kamath, A. (2020) *The Social Context of Technological Experiences: Three Studies from India*, Routledge, UK and New Delhi

Kamath, A. (2015) *Industrial Innovation, Networks, and Economic Development in India: Informal Information Sharing in Low-Technology Clusters*, Routledge, London

Refereed Journal Articles

Tewathia, N., Kamath, A., and Vigneswaran, I. (2020) 'Social Inequalities, Fundamental Inequities, and Recurring of the Digital Divide: Insights from India', *Technology in Society*, Elsevier

Neethi, P., Kamath, A., and Paul, A.M. (2019) 'Everyday Place-Making through Social Capital among Street Vendors at Manek Chowk, Gujarat, India', *Space and Culture*, Sage

Kamath, A. (2018) 'Untouchable Cellphones: Old Caste Exclusions and New Digital Divides in Peri-Urban Bangalore', *Critical Asian Studies*, 50(3): 375-394, Routledge

Kamath, A., and Cowan (2015) 'Social Cohesion and Knowledge Diffusion: Understanding the Embeddedness–Homophily Association', *Socio-Economic Review*, 13(4), Oxford Journals

Mani, S., and Kamath, A. (2014) 'Evidence-based Policymaking: What can we learn from India's R&D statistics?' *Economic and Political Weekly*, 49(10):13-16

Kamath, A. (2013) 'Interactive Knowledge Exchanges under Complex Social Relations: A Simulation Model of a Developing Country Cluster', *Technology in Society*, 35(4), Elsevier

Kamath, A. (2011) 'Does Technical Education in India Contribute to its Core-HRST? A Case of IIT Madras', *Science and Public Policy*, 38(4):293-305, Beech Tree / Oxford Journals

Other Academic Output

- Kamath, A. (2020) 'Informal Information-Exchange Networks in Rural Low-Tech Clusters', in Raina and Das (eds.) *Inclusive Innovation: Evidence and Options in Rural India*, Springer
- Kamath, A. (2015) 'Information Sharing through Informal Interaction in Low-Tech Clusters' *Innovation and Development*, 5(1): 170-171, Routledge
- Kamath, A. (2012) 'Enabling Inclusive Innovation: The Role of Informal Knowledge Exchanges through Interaction in Rural Low-Tech Clusters', WP 13/2009, Systems of Innovation for Inclusive Development, Centre for Policy Research (CPR), New Delhi, and IDRC, Canada
- Kamath, A. (2008) 'Analysing the Contribution of Technical Education to India's Science Manpower', final proceedings of *Sharing Agendas on Knowledge Systems*, UNESCO, Paris
- Kamath, A. (2007) 'Analysing the Contribution of Technical Education to India's Core-HRST: A Case Study of IIT Madras', unpublished MPhil Thesis, Centre for Development Studies (CDS), Trivandrum, under Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi

Output in Popular Press

- Neethi, P., and Kamath, A. (2020) 'How the Coronavirus outbreak is also a Socio-Economic Inequality Issue', *The Wire*, 23 March
- Neethi, P., and Kamath, A. (2018) 'Wasn't this city made for you and me? Sex workers and their shrinking spaces', *The News Minute*, 21 February
- Kamath, A., and Kumar, V. (2017) 'In India, Accessible Phones lead to Inaccessible Opportunities' *The Wire*, 24 November
- Kamath, A. (2009) 'India's Graduates lack Inspiration, not Infrastructure', Opinions, Science and Innovation Policy, Science and Development Network (*SciDev.Net*), February 5th, UK

Other Academic Activities

Reviewer for –

- a. *Technology in Society* (Elsevier)
- b. *Socio-Economic Review* (Oxford Journals)
- c. *Current Science* (Current Science Association and the Indian Academy of Sciences)
- d. *International Journal of Innovation Management* (Elsevier)
- e. Danish Research Unit on Innovation and Development (DRUID)

Former Member, Board of Studies, Department of Political Science, St Joseph's College

Seminar / Conference Presentations

- 2020:** Publics@IIHS, Indian Institute for Human Settlements (IIHS), Bangalore | Centre for Development Studies (CDS), Trivandrum
- 2019:** The Tenth International Conference on ICTs for Development, IIM Ahmedabad
- 2018:** Department of Management, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore | Urban Arc, Indian Institute for Human Settlements (IIHS), Bangalore
- 2012:** Systems of Innovation and Rural Transformation in China and India, New Delhi, India
- 2011:** Atlanta Conference on Science and Innovation Policy, GeorgiaTech, Atlanta GA, United States | Globelics Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2010:** DIMETIC European Doctoral School 2010, Strasbourg, France | DIME 'Industrial Dynamics & Sectoral Systems', Università Bocconi, Milan, Italy
- 2009:** Globelics Academy PhD School on Innovation and Economic Development, Lisbon, Portugal
- 2008:** UNESCO Global Research Seminar 2008, UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France

Other Academic Credentials and Activities

Freelance Manuscript Editor for Cactus Communications, with an experience of editing 250,000 words in professional academic manuscripts for humanities and social sciences

Intern at Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIM-B), May-June 2004: under Prof. V Ranganathan, RBI Chair Professor, IIMB

UGC-NET 2005: Qualified for lectureship in economics on clearing the National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by the University Grants Commission (UGC), Delhi.

Peace Studies Honours Programme 2002–03: Received a special award in this interdisciplinary 100-hour programme at St. Joseph's College, Bangalore.

Western Classical Music

- Head of Department of String Ensembles at the Bangalore School of Music
- Principal violinist of the Bangalore School of Music Chamber Orchestra
- Part-time faculty of music for four years (August 1999 to June 2003) at the Bangalore School of Music (BSM), Bangalore, India
- Recipient of the Philomena Thumboochetty Award for Violinist of the Year 2000 for scoring the highest in the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM) examinations, London. Won distinctions in the 5th, 7th and 8th Grade exams (within three consecutive years).
- Regularly performed, with Dr. Raja Ramanna in Bangalore & New Delhi, violin concertos by Bruch, Beethoven, and Mendelssohn.

Contact and Other Information

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Nationality: Indian

Marital Status: Married

Languages: English, Konkani, Hindi (fluent), Malayalam, Kannada (functional)