

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Academic Qualification

Post-doctorate.: Indian Institute of Technology (Guwahati)  
Ph.D. Economics (2015): Indian Institute of Technology (Indore)  
UGC-NET Economics: Qualified in 2012

## Research Interests:

Labour and Industry; Development Economics; Econometrics

## Research Projects/Awards

S.No.	Project/Award Title	Funding Agency	Amount
1	Impact of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana on cooking fuel choice and the health of women in J&K	National Commission for Women, New Delhi	Rs. 7,55,000
2	“Impact of hiring and firing law on factor productivity: A unit level analysis using judicial outcome Index”	Azim Premji University, Bangalore	Rs. 6,00,000
3	“What role does the employment protection legislation play in wage determination under segmented labour markets? A state-level analysis”	Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi	Rs. 10,00,000
4	“ <i>Labour Economics Award for Young South Asian Scholars, 2015</i> ”	South Asia Research Network (SARNET)	Rs. 70,000

## Fellowships

- Post-doctoral fellowship at IIT Guwahati.
- IIT Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and IIT Senior Research Fellowship (SRF).
- UGC Fellowship for Pursuing M. Phil degree at Pondicherry University.

## Post-PhD Teaching/Research Experience

- Assistant Professor (Permanent), IUST, Awantipora (J&K) from 17-11-2020 to current time.
- *Assistant Professor (permanent)*, BGSB University, Rajouri, Jammu & Kashmir, 30/08/2017 to 16-11-2020.
- *Economist*, Just Jobs Network, Green Park, New Delhi, 01/05/2017 to 28/08/2017.

- *Post-doctoral fellow*, IIT Guwahati, 02/05/2016 to 15/04/2017.
- *Assistant Professor (on contract)*, NIT Srinagar, between 17/03/2016 to 01/05/2016.
- *Assistant Professor (on contract)*, Department of Economic Studies and Planning, Central University of Karnataka, 10/08/2015 to 15/03/2016.

## Publications (Scopus/Web of Science)

1. Sofi, I.A. (2022). What role does EPL play in wage determination under segmented labour markets? A state-level analysis from India's formal manufacturing sector. *Margin – The Journal of Applied Economic Research*. Vol. 16 (3-4): 327-366.
2. Sofi, I.A.; Mehrotra, S; Reshi, A.H. (2022). Employment protection legislation and labour market outcomes: A unit analysis of the Indian manufacturing sector. *Asian Journal of Law and Economics*, Vol. 13 (1): Publisher: Walter De Gruyter. <https://rb.gy/b9jrrk>
3. Sofi, I.A. & Kunroo, M.H. (2018). Demand shocks and employment adjustments: does employment protection legislation create rigidity? *International Labour Review*, Vol. 157(3). Publisher: Wiley-Blackwell. <https://goo.gl/6btuE6>
4. Imran, A., Kunroo, M.H., & Sofi, IA. (2018). An RCA Analysis of India-China Trade Integration: Present, potential and prospects. *Foreign Trade Review*, Vol. 53 (1), 1-10. Publisher: Sage. <https://goo.gl/gNTXWV>
5. Kunroo, M.H., Sofi, I.A., Khurana, M., & Mogha, S.K. (2017). Re-visiting the impact of the Euro on trade flows: new evidence using gravity equation with poisson count-data technique. *Advances in Intelligent Systems and Computing*, Vol. 547, 229-239. Publisher: Springer. <https://goo.gl/zyytA8>
6. Kunroo, M. H., Sofi, I.A. & Ali, N. (2016). Trade implications of euro in EMU countries: A panel gravity analysis. *Empirica – Journal of European Economics*, Vol. 43 (2), 391-413. Publisher: Springer. <https://goo.gl/mJKyAT>
7. Sofi, I. A., Khan, M. I., & Kunroo. M. H. (2016). Labour market regulations and informalization of migrant worker: Evidence from Indian manufacturing sector. *Asian Journal of Law and Economics*, Vol. 7(2), 169-195. Publisher: Walter De Gruyter. <https://goo.gl/jhbPZ6>
8. Sofi, I.A. & Sharma, P. (2015). Does employment protection legislation matter in dualistic labour market? Panel evidences from Indian manufacturing sector. *Labor Studies Journal*, Vol. 40 (2), 149-168. Publisher: Sage. <https://goo.gl/bR7aKH>
9. Sofi, I. A. & Sharma, P. (2015). Labour regulations, contractualisation, and industrial performance: three-dimensional panel evidences from Indian manufacturing sector. *South Asia Economic Journal*, Vol. 16 (1), 122-144. Publisher: Sage. <https://goo.gl/5ymSva>
10. Sofi, I. A. & Sharma, P. (2015). Labour laws and informalisation of employment: evidences from formal Indian manufacturing sector. *Asian Journal of Law and Economics*, Vol. 6 (1), 65-84. Publisher: Walter De Gruyter. <https://goo.gl/tSCfVY>

## Selected Articles (Op-Eds) in Newspapers

1. “Declining Women’s Participation in a Growing Economy” in *Greater Kashmir*, 5 July, 2019.  
<https://urlzs.com/LDJD4>
2. “No Respite from Poverty for Muslims” in *The Hindu*, 06 October 2018.  
<https://goo.gl/2hXKZL>
3. “The Uniform Labour Code: Striking an optimal balance of power between workforce and capital” in *Greater Kashmir*, 30 January 2018.  
<https://goo.gl/qFp1Le>
4. “Will fixing labor regulations help solve India’s employment woes?” in *Just Jobs Network Blog Series*, 09 May 2017.  
<https://goo.gl/CuY9eJ>

## References

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