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## EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

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PhD candidate at School of Development Studies (SDS) , (2015-expected 2019)  
Tata Institute Of Social Sciences (TISS) ,Mumbai, India.

Master of Arts (MA) in Development Studies ( 2012- 2014), CGPA : 7.9/10  
Tata Institute Of Social Sciences (TISS) ,Mumbai, India.  
Awarded the Institute Gold Medal for the Best student in Development Studies, 2014

Bachelor of Arts in Economics (Hons), 71.13%, (2009 – 2012)  
Jamshedpur Cooperative College (Kolhan University), Jamshedpur, India

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## PHD THESIS TOPIC

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*Intersections of development, technology and the environment: A case study of the Konkan Railways.*

**Guide: T. Jayaraman**

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## EXPERIENCE

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- Teaching Assistant, School of Habitat Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences , (Oct 2016-Mar 2017)  
Courses: **Qualitative Research Methods & Sustainable Development and Climate Change**. Took lectures for grad students and graded assignments and papers
- Co-contributor to the report titled “**Equity and Differentiation in the Context of the 2015 Climate Agreement**” commissioned by Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, India and prepared by Centre for Climate Change and Sustainability Studies, TISS, Mumbai. Reviewed different proposals (submissions of BASIC countries, and others ) for Global Climate Governance, and evaluated how these proposals take equity into account and commented on their shortcomings, (Oct-Dec 2015)
- Interned at Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi. Submitted a report “Understanding Fragmentation of Climate Change Governance”, based on independent literature review on multi-level governance of climate change. Prepared annotated bibliographies, Endnote Reference List, and daily news briefs on climate change news published in the Indian English print media. (May–Jun 2013)

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## GRANTS

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- Co-Principal Investigator in the project “**The socio economic and environmental impact of Konkan Railway**”, funded by **International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie)**, Grant amount: 282,614 USD. Grant holding organization: TISS, Mumbai, Lead Investigator: T Jayaraman.

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## PUBLICATIONS

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- **Right To Development Vs. Climate Change: Perspectives From India** in *Right to Development- Views and Issues*. May 2012. ISBN number: 978-93-5087-247-5
- **Commercial Surrogacy In India: An Ethical Assessment of Existing Legal Scenario from the Perspective Of Women’s Autonomy and Reproductive Rights**, Volume 16, Issue 1, March 2012, *Gender, Technology and Development*, Sage Publications

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## WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

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- Was selected to participate in the fully funded **Brown University’s** International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI) on **Climate Change and Its Impacts: Connecting Local Variability and Knowledge in a Global System 2016**, held at Brown University, Providence, USA. (June 4-18, 2016) The institute feature lectures, seminars, and workshops led by distinguished international guest faculty.
- Workshop on **Climate Change and Agriculture in India**, held at Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore Centre, **March 28, 2016**

- Workshop on **Current Debates in Philosophy of Science : Realism and the Social Sciences**, organised by TISS, Mumbai, as a part of the 2nd Biennial Meeting of the Philosophy of Science Group in India, **14-18 Dec 2015**.

#### **PAPERS' PRESENTED AT CONFERENCES**

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- Presented a paper titled **“Integrating Political Economy, Ideas and Science in Interrogating the Political And Ideological Premises Of Environmental Controversies In India: A Case Study Of The Konkan Railways** at the conference titled *“Knowing Nature: The Changing Foundations of Environmental Knowledge* , held at **Renmin University of China in Beijing** on **25-27 May 2016** , co-sponsored by the Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society, Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich.
- **Gaming Justice: Are Methodological and Theoretical insights of Mainstream Economics in International Relations impeding Global Climate Justice?**, in the **YSI (Young Scholars Initiative) Plenary**, in Central European University, Budapest, organized by Institute of New Economic Thinking (INET), New York, October 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> 2016,
- **Understanding The Impasse between the universal and the particular in international ethics: Insights from critical realist philosophy**, a peer reviewed contribution to the 2nd Biennial Meeting of the Philosophy of Science Group in India’s Conference on Current Debates in Philosophy of Science organized by TISS, Mumbai, 19-22 Dec 2015.
- **Thin Cosmopolitanism’ for climate change negotiations**, at the 6th Annual Climate Conference: Meeting Equity in Climate Change – Paris and the Post 2015 Agenda, at TISS, Mumbai, 31st July – 1st August 2015.
- **Destroying the Climate Friendly Image of Dams: Greenhouse gas emissions from Dams and How Large Hydro Power Projects are Defeating the Purpose of CDM And Kyoto Protocol and the Way Forward** in The National Conference on Sustainable Development in the Energy Sector organized by UPES Petrotech Chapter & Centre for Energy Law Research in association with World Energy Council, 8-9<sup>th</sup> April 2011.
- **Territorial Sovereignty, Global Common Environment and Need for Greener Process And Production Methods (PPMs): Does WTO system provide for a Harmony**, at the 2nd ILSA International Conference at the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (NUJS) , July 22-25, 2009

#### **ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS**

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- Awarded the Institute Gold Medal for the Best student in Development Studies, 2014
- Awarded Best Student of the First Year in Masters in Development Studies, 2013
- Awarded UGC JRF (Junior Research Fellowship) in Dec 2014
- Secured 1<sup>st</sup> position in National Level Essay Competition 2012 organized by Alexis Centre for Public Policy and International Relations on the topic Right to Development Vis-À-Vis Environmental Concerns.
- Secured 3rd position in the Asia Regional Round of 7th ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law, March 2009, in Taiwan. By securing the 3rd position we bagged a place in the Final Oral Round held in May 2009, also in Taiwan. The team prepared arguments for a hypothetical dispute concerning trade and regulatory measures addressing climate change like carbon taxes, eco-labelling and patentability of environmental technologies

#### **References**

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 R Ramakumar, Dean, School of Development Studies, TISS, Mumbai, [rr@tiss.edu](mailto:rr@tiss.edu)