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CURRENT TEACHING INTERESTS Urban and regional studies, Development and urban studies

CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS Urban primacy, Access to basic services, Small towns' economic performance

WORK/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

March-August 2025	Visiting Fellow , Center for South Asia, Stanford University, Encina Commons, Room 124 615 Crothers Way, Stanford, CA 94305, USA
June-August 2024	Honorary Fellow , Center for South Asia, Stanford University, Encina Commons, Room 124 615 Crothers Way, Stanford, CA 94305, USA
June-July 2023	Visiting Fellow , Center for Social Science Research, Global South Hub, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA 22030, USA
April-May 2022 May-June 2021	Fulbright Nehru Fellow Luskin School of Public Affairs, Department of Urban Planning, University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, USA
June 2014-Current	Professor, Institute for Social and Economic Change Bangalore 560 072 INDIA <i>Top 10% of authors globally on Social Science Research Network (SSRN) by all-time downloads, August 2023</i>
April 2009-May 2014	Senior Research Fellow and head, Public Policy Research Public Affairs Centre 15 KIADB Industrial Area Bommasandra-Jigani Link Road Hennagara Post, Anekal Taluk Bangalore 562 106 INDIA
April-May 2011	Visiting Scholar United Nations University

	World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER) Katajanokanlaituri 6 B Helsinki 00160 FINLAND
April 2008-March 2009	Ford Public Affairs Fellow, Public Affairs Centre 15 KIADB Industrial Area, Bommasandra-Jigani Link Road Hennagara Post, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 562 106 INDIA
September 2003-March 2008	Fellow, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy 18/2, Satsang Vihar Marg, Special Institutional Area New Delhi 110 067 INDIA
April-June 2007	Visiting Fellow United Nations University World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER) Katajanokanlaituri 6 B Helsinki 00160 FINLAND
October 2006-March 2007	Visiting Sir Ratan Tata Trust Fellow Institute for Social Economic Change Nagarabhavi, Bangalore 560 072 INDIA
June-September 2003	Associate Professor, Business Environment Group Indian Institute of Management Prabandh Nagar, Off Sitapur Road Lucknow 226 013 INDIA
June 1999-May 2003	Assistant Professor, Business Environment Group Indian Institute of Management Prabandh Nagar, Off Sitapur Road Lucknow 226 013 INDIA
November 1998-May 1999	Research Economist The National Association of Home Builders 1201, 15 th Street NW Washington, DC 20005, USA

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

1998	Ph.D., Public Policy & Management John Glenn School of Public Affairs The Ohio State University Columbus, Ohio 43210, USA Dissertation Title: Urban Economic Development in America: Evidence from Enterprise Zones Advisor: Charles F.Adams
1993	M.S., Urban & Regional Planning The University of Iowa Iowa City, Iowa 52242, USA Thesis Title: Tax Costs and Employment Benefits of Enterprise Zones Advisor: Peter S.Fisher
1989	M.A., Economics

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B.A.,The University of Mysore, Mysore 570 004, INDIA

INTERNATIONAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- Invited member, Stakeholder consultation ahead of the high-level meeting on the midterm review of the New Urban Agenda, UN General Assembly, March 27, 2026 (Online)
- Invited member, WUF13 Academia and Research Working Group, UN-Habitat, Nairobi, December 4, 2025 (first online meeting: Dec 11, 2025)
- Invited member, Global Stakeholder Consultations, UN-Habitat's Executive Director, November 18, 2025 (Online)
- Best paper-Runner up award, Fakih, Amrin and Kala S Sridhar. Effect of edtech startups on student performance: Selected evidence from Indian cities, *Policy Conflux: International Conference on Cities and Citizens*, Christ University (MA in Public Policy) and Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, April 17-18, 2023.
- Awardee (Principal nominee), *Fulbright Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Fellowship* (Research-Flex Award), United States India Educational Foundation, 2019.
- Distinguished Chief Guest, International Interdisciplinary Conference on Business Studies and Social Sciences, Arnhem Business School, HAN University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands, and Christ (Deemed to be University) School of Business Studies and Social Sciences, Bannerghatta Road Campus, Bangalore, December 13-14, 2019.
- Member, Joint Research Councils UK-National Institute of Urban Affairs Network on Sustainable Cities and Urbanization, February 2016.
- Member, Scientific Steering Committee, Urban Transitions 2016 Conference, Elsevier and Yale University, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, September 5-9, 2016 (<http://www.urbantransitionsconference.com/>).
- Empanelled for the *Visiting Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) Chair Professor of Indian Studies (Economics)* in Foreign Universities, August 2015
- Senior advisor, GDN (Global Development Network) project on *Urbanization and Development: Delving Deeper into the Nexus, Strengthening Policy Links between Latin America and Asia*, August 2012-February 2013.
- Invited expert and chapter writer on Solid Waste Management, for *Third Global Report on Decentralization and Local Democracy (GOLD III) for the Asia Pacific Region*, United Cities and Local Governments, March-September 2012
- Recipient, Joint First Prize, Medals for Research on Development, *Twelfth Global Development Conference*, for "Innovative sources of development finance: The role of land in financing India's large cities and comparisons with China," Bogota, Colombia, January 13-15, 2011 <http://www.flickr.com/photos/gdnet/5357735664/in/photostream/>)
- Invited participant, *Launch of the 2009 Millennium Development Goals (MDG) Report and 2010 MDG Theme Workshop*, Asian Development Bank, United Nations Development Program and United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific, Manila, Philippines, February 17-18, 2010
- Invited participant, *Communication for Policy Influence: GDN Research Communication Workshop Series*, Global Development Network, Center for Poverty Analysis (CEPA) and Overseas Development Institute (ODI), Colombo, Sri Lanka, December 2009
- Recipient, *First Prize, Medal for Research on Development, Ninth Annual Global Development Conference*, for "Impact of Land Use Regulations: Evidence from India's Cities," Brisbane, Australia, January 2008 <https://www.jica.go.jp/jica-ri/GDN/english/gdn/conference/conference09b.html>
- Medal semi-finalist, *Medals for Research on Development, Seventh Annual Global Development Conference*, for "Growth Centres, Economic Development and Governance: Evidence from India," St.Petersburg, Russia, January 2006

- Recipient, *Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant*, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), 1997 (<https://archives.huduser.gov/rrr/dissert.html>)
- One of three finalists, Eighth Annual Competition for The *Charles.M.Tiebout Prize in Regional Science*, Western Regional Science Association (WRSA), for “Tax Costs and Employment Benefits of Enterprise Zones,” Tucson, Arizona, USA, 1994
- Nominated by the University of Iowa for the *American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) Outstanding Student Award*, 1992

NATIONAL, REGIONAL, LOCAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- Invited expert, Consultation on the Definition of Urban Areas in India, National Institute of Urban Affairs, and Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi, September 23, 2025, and September 25, 2025 (online)
- Member, National Selection Committee, Fulbright-Nehru Master’s Fellowships (Economics and Urban & Regional Planning), United States India Educational Foundation and Fulbright Commission, August 20-21, 2025
- Member, Advisory Committee, Ecofluence '24- International Conference on Economics and Public Policy and Economics Research Championship, Indus Business Academy, Bangalore and Indian Economics Association, Dec 5-7, 2024.
- Invited participant, Seminar on *Local governments in Kerala*, Keraleeyam 2023, Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA), Govt of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, Nov 4th, 2023.
- Chief Guest, International Women’s Day, Atomic Minerals Directorate for Exploration and Research, Southern Region, Department of Atomic Energy, Government of India, Bangalore, March 8, 2023.
- Invitee, Workshop on Draft National Urban Policy, World Resources Institute, Bangalore, September 12, 2022
- External Examiner, Board of Examiners, Public Policy & Governance, Jain University, Nov 2021-23
- Economist expert, Directory of Experts, National Resource Centre for Education (NRCE), August 2020 (<http://www.nrce.niepa.ac.in/mod/page/view.php?id=1601>)
- Invited participant, Meeting with Fifteenth Finance Commission for economists, Bengaluru, June 24, 2019.
- Invited expert panel member, Evaluation of Best Practices and Initiatives by Urban Local Bodies, City Managers’ Association of Karnataka, Bengaluru, January 19, 2019
- Invited jury member. Consortium of Students in Management Research 2018, Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, November 29, 2018.
- Invited expert to comment on Devolution of Funds, Functions and Functionaries to Urban Local Bodies in Karnataka – A Pilot Study, Office of the Principal Accountant General, Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru, November 19, 2018.
- Invited advisory committee member, “Sustainable Smart Cities India Summit 2018,” Swacchh Bharat Mission, Smart Cities India Foundation, City Managers Association (CMAK) Karnataka, Responsible Cities Foundation, FKCCI, Indian Institute of Energy Conservation, GRIHA, Bangalore, India, September 6-7, 2018.
- Invited participant, Interaction programme with Karnataka’s Chief Minister, Prajavani, Bengaluru, February 28, 2018.
- Invited expert, Urban Development Sector Consultation Workshop, Vision 2025 for Karnataka, Government of Karnataka, KPMG and WRI, Bangalore, September 27, 2017.
- Invited expert, Workshop on “Economic Inclusivity in India: Conceptual and Empirical Recommendations for an Indicator Framework,” University of California Santa Cruz and International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore, August 19, 2017
- Invited expert, Workshop on Tamil Nadu Household Panel Survey, Madras Institute of Development Studies, Government of Tamil Nadu and University of Michigan, Chennai, August 12, 2016.
- Invited member, Advisory council, Regional Studies Association India Division, June 2016
- Invited expert, UK/India Urban Transformations Research Workshop, Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), Jaipur, 2-3 March 2016

- Invited participant, Consultation on Transport Governance Initiative, Parisar, World Resources Institute (WRI) and Embarq India, Bengaluru, August 17-18, 2015; Pune, April 6-7, 2015; New Delhi, July 12, 2014.
- Invited subject expert, Project on "Infrastructure Assessment of Gulbarga City," Stakeholders' meeting, Central University of Karnataka, Gulbarga, February 19, 2015.
- Invited participant, *National stakeholders' consultation to finalize vision and mission of the National Centre for Good Governance*, Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India, New Delhi, December 20, 2014
- Invited expert group member, Initiation workshop on the Karnataka State Human Development Report, UNDP, Planning Commission, Planning Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore, March 29, 2014.
- Invited participant, Release of the *State of the Urban Poor Report* by the Honorable Minister, Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India and presented to the President of India, New Delhi, January 21, 2014
- Invited participant to discuss *South Asia Urbanization Flagship initiative "Accessing Urbanization's Benefits for Efficient and Inclusive Development,"* World Bank's Washington team, New Delhi, December 14, 2012.
- Invited participant, *Launch of the India Infrastructure Report 2010*, 3iNetwork, New Delhi, October 20, 2010
- Invited expert, *Consultation on Urban Studies Program*, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, India, September 18, 2007.
- Invited member, Guidance to Project and Seminar on the *Construction of National Transfer Accounts*, Institute for Social and Economic Change and Nihon University Population Research Institute (Tokyo), United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA), Bangalore, India, August 10, 2007.
- Recipient, *2005 VKRV Rao Prize for Social Sciences (Economics)*, Institute for Social and Economic Change and Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), January 2007 (<http://www.isec.ac.in/vkrvraoprize.htm>)
- Recipient, *Sir Ratan Tata Trust Visiting Fellowship*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India, October 2006-March 2007
- Invited participant, *India Infrastructure Report 2007 Writers' Workshop*, 3i Network, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, April 12, 2006
- Recipient, *Sir Hugh Daly Memorial Gold Medal*, M.A. (Economics), The University of Mysore, 1989
- Recipient, *Sir M. Kantharaje Urs Gold Medal*, M.A. (Economics), The University of Mysore, 1989
- Recipient, *N.S. Subbarao Memorial Prize*, M.A. (Economics), The University of Mysore, 1989
- Recipient, *Weir Memorial Gold Medal*, B.A., The University of Mysore, 1987
- Recipient, *National Merit Scholarship*, State Government of Karnataka, 1982 and 1984

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

COURSES COORDINATED, DESIGNED, AND TAUGHT

Fundamental urban and regional studies, Part B of Ph.D. program in Urban Studies, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India. Jan-Feb 2026; Jan-February 2025; Jan-March 2024; Jan-March 2023; May-July 2022; August-September 2021; August-December 2015; August-December 2014.

Social Science Research Methodology (with Dr Malini Tantri), Part A of Ph.D. program, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021.

Lecture on *Sampling*, Course on Basic Statistics, Part A of Ph.D. program, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021.

Urbanization lectures for Development Studies – Theories and Policies, Part A of Ph.D. program in Urban Studies, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India, 2025-26, 2024-25, 2023-24, 2022, 2016-17.

Urbanization Module for Perspectives in Social Science Research, Part A of Ph.D. program in Urban Studies, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India, 2024-25, 2023-24.

Current debates in urban and regional research, Part B of Ph.D. program in Urban Studies, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India, January-March 2015; 2016.

Field problems in urban research, Part C of Ph.D. program in Urban Studies, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, India, 2015; 2016.

Business Environment, Post Graduate Program in Management (MBA Program), Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, 2000-01, 2001-02, 2002-03.

Applied Econometrics, Fellow Program in Management (Ph.D. Program), Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, 2001-02, 2002-03.

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS AUTHORED/EDITED

1. Sridhar, Kala S. (2025) Indian cities or suburbs? Trends and causes of suburbanization, Oxford, United Kingdom: Oxford University Press.
Reviews: *Regional Science Policy & Practice* 18 (2026): 100286 (Reviewer: Xuefei Ren).
Arthika Charche Vol 10 No.2, 2025: 131-132 (Reviewer: M.R.Narayana)
2. Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and George Mavrotas (Editors) (2021) *Urbanization in the Global South: Perspectives and challenges*, Oxon: Routledge (Date of book launch: February 4, 2022)
Review: *Metamorphosis (Sage)*, Volume 21, Issue 2: 155-6 (Reviewers: Sanjay Kumar Singh and Sarthak Agarwal).
3. Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Li Jingfeng (Editors) (2021) *The Rise of India and China: Social, economic and environmental impacts*, Routledge Critical Perspectives on India and China, Oxon: Routledge.
<https://www.routledge.com/The-Rise-of-India-and-China-Social-Economic-and-Environmental-Impacts/Sridhar-Jingfeng/p/book/9780367562243>
4. Sridhar, Kala S., Ranjit Gadgil and Chhavi Dhingra (2020) *Paving the way for better governance in urban transport-- The Transport Governance Initiative*, New Delhi: Springer, 2020. 344 pp.
<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-981-13-9620-5>
5. Anil Kumar Vaddiraju, S.N.Sangita and Kala S Sridhar (Editors). *Urban governance in Karnataka and Bengaluru: Global changes and local impacts*, Newcastle, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2016. 225 pp.
<http://www.cambridgescholars.com/urban-governance-in-karnataka-and-bengaluru>
Review: *Social Change*: 51(4) 596–599, 2021 (Reviewers: Ashok Pankaj and Urba Malik)
6. Paul, Samuel and Kala S Sridhar. *The paradox of India's north south divide: Lessons from the states and regions*, New Delhi: Sage, 2015. 248pp. (Date of book launch: June 2, 2015, Bangalore, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UbSpu6e-TNI>)

Reviews:

- Indian Journal of Public Administration, 69 (2): May 31, 2023
<https://journals.sagepub.com/eprint/N9KEXAEHWZRYHJAUHXQX/full> (Reviewer: Jay Kumar)
- <https://ramachandraguha.in/archives/taking-the-south-seriously-the-telegraph.html>, June 19, 2021 (Reviewer: Ramachandra Guha)
- Journal of Rural Development Vol 34 No 3 July - Sept 2015: 417-418. (Reviewer: Dr.E.V.Prakash Rao)
- IIMB Management Review (2016) 28: 119–120 (Reviewer: Aparna Krishna)
- Mint (Editorial), May 12, 2016
<http://www.livemint.com/Opinion/GGMQFv1iFGJiKMzPZWWVLN/Why-Tamil-Nadus-freebie-culture-works.html>

- Journal of Development Policy & Practice (Sage) 1 (1): 114-116 (Reviewer: Debashis Chakraborty)
<https://doi.org/10.1177/2455133315612311>
- Arthaniti (University of Calcutta, Department of Economics journal), 14 (1-2) 2015, pp.116-119 (Reviewer: Mahalaya Chatterjee)
- The Book Review, December 2015 (Reviewer: Kham Khan Suan Hausing)
- esocialsciences, September 2015
<https://www.facebook.com/eSocialSciences/photos/a.228668323881926.55424.140565782692181/898843413531077/?type=1>
- Civil Society, August 2015
- The Telegraph, February 18, 2015
http://www.telegraphindia.com/1150218/jsp/opinion/story_3922.jsp#.VOPbrYaXerU
- <http://thewire.in/2015/06/02/population-growth-the-key-to-why-southern-states-are-rich-er-than-others/>

7. Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Guanghua Wan (Editors). *Urbanization in Asia: Governance, infrastructure and the environment*, New Delhi: Springer, 2014. 287 pp.

<https://www.springer.com/gp/book/9788132216377>

8. Paul, Samuel, Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, A. Venugopala Reddy and Pavan Srinath. *The state of our cities: Evidence from Karnataka*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2012. xix + 297 pp.

<http://www.oup.co.in/product/academic-general/economics/development-economic/551/the-state-our-cities-evidence-from-karnataka/9780198080381>

Reviews:

- *Down to Earth*, August 31, 2014
<http://www.downtoearth.org.in/content/city-scan>
- *Vikalpa*, 38 (1), January-March 2013: 140-42 (Reviewer: M.S. Sriram)
- *IIMB Review* 25 (2) June 2013: 131-132 (Reviewer: Narendar Pani)

9. Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A. Venugopala Reddy. *State of urban services in India's cities: Spending and financing*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2010. 148 pp.

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/state-of-urban-services-in-indias-cities-9780198065388?cc=us&lang=en&>

Reviews:

- *Vikalpa*, 36 (2), April-June 2011: 143-44 (Reviewers: Prem Pangotra and Abha Sharma)
- The Hindu, August 28, 2010
<http://www.thehindu.com/arts/books/article593661.ece>; or
<http://www.hindu.com/pp/2010/08/28/stories/2010082850360300.htm>
- The Hindu, September 21, 2010
<http://www.hindu.com/br/2010/09/21/stories/2010092151851500.htm>

10. Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Om Prakash Mathur. *Costs and challenges of local urban services: Evidence from India's cities*, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2009. 277 pp.

(http://www.oup.co.in/search_detail.php?id=145126)

Reviews:

- *Review of Regional Studies*, 40 (2) 2010: 237-238 (Reviewer: Michael C. Farmer)
- *IIMB Management Review (Elsevier)*, 22 (4) December 2010: 199-200 (Reviewer: Indu Rayadurgam)
- *Environment and Urbanization ASIA (Sage)* 1 (2) 2010: 227-229 (Reviewers: Chetan Vaidya and Satmohini Srivastava)
- *Urban India*, 30 (1) January-June 2010 (Reviewers: Chetan Vaidya and Poornima Singh)
- *The Statesman*, January 3, 2010
<http://www.thestatesman.net/page.news.php?clid=30&theme=&usrss=1&id=280060>
- *Financial Express*, October 25, 2009
<http://www.financialexpress.com/news/life-at-urban-margins/532792/>
- *Down to Earth*, October 1-15, 2009
http://downtoearth.org.in/full6.asp?foldername=20091015&filename=news&sec_id=15&sid=37
- *Business World*, Oct 19, 2009
http://www.businessworld.in/bw/2009_10_12_Housekeeping_Indian_Cities.html

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<http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/2009/10/03/stories/2009100350080700.htm>

• *ASCI (Administrative Staff College of India) Journal of Management*, September 2009 (Reviewer: Srinivas Chary Vedala)

11. Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Incentives for regional development: Competition among sub-national governments*, Basingstoke, UK: Palgrave Macmillan, 2005. 214 pp.

• *Review: Hindu Business Line*, Oct 06, 2005

<http://www.thehindubusinessline.com/2005/10/06/stories/2005100600180900.htm>

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Nallathiga, Ramakrishna and Kala S Sridhar. Property Taxation Systems and Revenue Performance of Urban Local Governments: A Comparative Analysis of Select Indian Cities, *Journal of Social and Economic Development*, forthcoming.

Zhumin Xu, **Kala S Sridhar**, Qingwen Xu and Vishal, R (2026). Governing Pandemics: Resilience and Community Responses for COVID-19 in Bengaluru and Shanghai, *Journal of Urban Affairs* 48 (3) March: 1036–1055.

Fakih, Amrin and Kala S Sridhar (2025). Effect of edtech startups on students' performance: Selected evidence from Indian cities, *Vikalpa*, 50(4) August: 389-404. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0256090925136199>.

Sridhar, Kala S. and Anjali Mahendra (2025). Economic benefits of the metro and relaxed land use regulations: Evidence from Bengaluru, *Case Studies on Transport Policy (Elsevier)*, Volume 19, March 2025, 101395. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S2213624X2500032X>

Sridhar, Kala S and Shivakumar Nayka (2025). The missing middle between the big and the small: Urban primacy in the Indian state of Karnataka, *Journal of Urban Management (Elsevier)*, Volume 14, Issue 1, March 2025, Pages 17-31. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2226585624001109>

Mudassar Jamadar and Kala S Sridhar (2024). Urban poverty beyond 'slums': Mapping its multidimensionality, *Area Development and Policy*, VOL. 9, NO. 4, 518–537. <https://doi.org/10.1080/23792949.2024.2352550>

Sridhar, Kala S. and Paavo Monkkonen (2024) Urban form in India 1975-2015: Have India's cities become flat? *Cities*, 145 (February 2024): 104705. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cities.2023.104705>

Sridhar, Kala S. (2023) Is your city too big? Urban primacy in India, *Environment and Urbanization Asia*, Vol 14.2 (Sept 2023): 188-202. <https://doi.org/10.1177/09754253231193129>

Nagarjun, K.B. and Sridhar, Kala S (2023). Covid-19 and urban housing affordability-Evidence from select Indian cities, *Regional Science Policy & Practice*, First published: 14 June 2023. <https://rsaiconnect.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1111/rsp3.12695>

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (2023), Urbanization and Covid-19 prevalence in India, *Regional Science Policy & Practice*, 15 (3) April 2023: 493-505. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/rsp3.12503> (Top cited paper among work published in RSPP between Jan 1, 2022-Dec 31, 2023).

Sridhar, Kala S. (2022). Understanding the digital platform economy: Effect of Airbnb on housing in Indian cities, *Housing Policy Debate*, 32 (4-5) (July): 713-729 <https://doi.org/10.1080/10511482.2021.1929389>.

Sridhar, Kala S., and Vishal, R. (2022) Determinants of own revenues in urban local bodies: Evidence from an Indian state, *Environment and Urbanization Asia (Sage)*, 13 (1) (March): 86-98. DOI:10.1177/09754253221076317

- Sridhar, Kala S and Shivakumar Nayka (2022). Determinants of commute time in an Indian city, *Margin (Sage)*, 16 (1), (February), 49-75.
- Vishal, R., Kala S Sridhar, and S.Manasi (2021) Sustainable financing for urban Karnataka: Viable options, *Environment and Urbanization Asia*, 12 (2) (September): 220–239.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/09754253211040194>
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<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/23792949.2020.1785319>
- Nallathiga, Ramakrishna and Kala S Sridhar (2020). State re-organisation, local government finances, and spending on urban civic services: A study of the GHMC, *Urban India*, Vol 40.2 (July-Dec, 2020): 9-36.
- Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (2020). Urbanization in the Global South: Economic efficiency, equity and sustainability, *Equilibri* (Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM), Milan, Italy), Special issue: Souths of the world, Vol.: XXIV (September), pp. 45-55, <https://www.rivisteweb.it/doi/10.1406/98098>.
- Sridhar, Kala S. (2020) Urban governance, land use and economic effects on Indian cities: The cases of Ahmedabad and Bengaluru, *Urban India*, 40 (1) (Jan-June): 29-45.
- Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (2020). Is India's urbanization really too low? Some evidence, *Area Development and Policy*, 5 (1): 32-49. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/23792949.2019.1590153>
- Sridhar, Kala S., S.Manasi, N.Latha and K.C.Smitha (2019). Trends in municipal revenues: Evidence from selected urban local bodies in Karnataka, *Arthika Charche*, 4 (1) (Jan-June): 59-75.
- Shivakumar Nayka and Sridhar, Kala Seetharam(2019). Urban commuters in India's states and cities: Modes and distance, *Urbanisation*, 3(2): 69-107.
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/pdf/10.1177/2455747118816559>
- Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (2018), Urbanization and carbon emissions in India and China, *Environment and Urbanization Asia (Sage)*,9(2): 113-126.<https://doi.org/10.1177/0975425318783544>.
- Holian, Matthew and Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (2017). The role of road infrastructure and air pollution in the recent suburbanization of India's cities: An exploration, *Environment and Urbanization Asia (Sage)*,8 (2) (September): 151-169.
<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/abs/10.1177/0975425317714902?journalCode=euaa>
- Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (2017). Economic change and specialization in India's cities, *Review of Urban and Regional Development Studies*, 29 (1), (March 2017): 63-87. <https://doi.org/10.1111/rurd.12059>
• One of the top journal's 20 most downloaded recent papers in recent publication history of RURDS, May 2018.
- Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Narayanan, Priya (2016). Suburbanization of India's cities: What is the evidence from Gulbarga? *Environment and Urbanization Asia (Sage)*,7(1): 93-112.
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Sridhar, Kala S. Urbanization and Carbon Emissions: India's Carbon Footprint Beyond 2020, International Conference on Tackling Climate Change through Urban Resilience: Role of Institutions and Public Policies in Canada and India, Indian Institute of Technology Tirupati, March 24, 2022 (by zoom).

Sridhar, Kala S. Invited discussant of Evolution and Morphology of Delhi NCR's Economic Geography: Lessons for India's Future Urbanization, by Rejeet Mathews, Amitabh Kundu, Paramjeet Chawla, Raj Bhagat P, Madhav Pai, Tintu Sebastian, World Resources Institute Research Café, November 12, 2021 (by MS Teams).

Sridhar, Kala S. Are Cities Culprits? India's Carbon Footprint Beyond 2020. Fall School III, School of the South of the World, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM), Milan, Italy (by GoToWebinars), Nov 10, 2021.

Sridhar, Kala S. Urban form and economic benefits from relaxation of land use regulations and Bengaluru metro, Remembering Ravi Ponnappureddy: Annual Dialogue on Public Transport Planning, World Resources Institute, July 22, 2021 (by zoom).

Sridhar, Kala S. Invited discussant of Infrastructuring the City: Trajectories of violence, by Deljana Iossifova, Special talk series *The State of Cities -#Cityonversations*, Center for Habitat, Urban and Regional Studies, Impact and Policy Research Institute (IMPRI), New Delhi, April 7, 2021 (by zoom).

Sridhar, Kala S. (Invited panellist) Asian Century Foundation Dialogue Series on Resilient and Inclusive Cities | Migrant workers (by zoom), January 16, 2021.

Sridhar, Kala S. Invited discussant of *Governing the Urban in China and India: Land grabs, Slum clearance and the War on air pollution*, by Xuefei Ren, Princeton University Press, Princeton, 2020,

Impact and Policy Research Institute (IMPRI), Special Talk Series: The State of Cities - #CityConversations | #WebPolicyTalk (by zoom), New Delhi, January 7, 2021.

Sridhar, Kala S. Questions and policy directions for our cities, International Webinar on *Covid-19 and Cities*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, December 14, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala S. An Additional Anathema for Our Cities and Policy Directions, *Impact and Policy Research Institute (IMPRI), Special Talk Series: The State of Cities - #CityConversations | #WebPolicyTalk* (by zoom), New Delhi, December 7, 2020. <https://youtu.be/dFELul-Vehg>

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Sridhar, Kala S. and V.Sridhar. Do Home Stay Digital Platforms in Indian Cities Impact Housing? The Case of Airbnb, India Land Forum 2020: Data-driven Research & Evidence for Land Policy in India, National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi (by zoom), November 27, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala S. Urbanization (invited panellist), Urban Planning, Land Use Regulations and Sustainability, Panel discussion on Sustainable Urbanization and Resilient cities, International Workshop cum Training on 'Green Growth Strategies for Climate Resilience and DRR: Policies, Pathways and Tools,' ISEC, Bengaluru, November 27, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala S. Urbanization, Covid-19 and Collective Action Among the Urban and Urban Poor in India, Fall School II, School of the South of the World, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM), Milan, Italy (by GoToWebinars), Nov 11, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala S. Invited discussant of Reasons for housing vacancy in India: Rent control and insufficient judiciary, by Sahil Gandhi, Richard Green, and Shaonlee Patranabis, Centre for Social and Economic Progress (CSEP) and Property rights Research consortium Monthly E-Meeting, Nov 10th, 2020 (by Zoom).

Sridhar, Kala S. Invited discussant of Keynote address on "Collective action" in the cities of the world. A perspective from the Souths, by Paolo Perulli, Fall School II, School of the South of the World, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM), Milan, Italy (by GoToWebinars), Nov 4, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala S (invited speaker), Indian Cities and SDG 11: Status and way forward, International webinar on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—Multidisciplinary perspectives, All India Researchers' Association, July 12, 2020. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qOBnNxbvEE>

Sridhar, Kala S (invited panellist), International webinar on Is City-led Economic Growth under Stress, Habitat Forum, Centre for Policy Research and The Institute of Social Sciences, July 6, 2020. <https://www.inhaf.org/archive/>

Sridhar, Kala S. (Invited Keynote address) New Work Order: Interdisciplinary Approaches, International Interdisciplinary Conference on Business Studies and Social Sciences, Christ University School of Business Studies and Social Sciences and Arnhem Business School, HAN University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands, Bengaluru, December 13-14, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S. (Invited panelist) Foundation of Young India, International Interdisciplinary Conference on Business Studies and Social Sciences, Christ University School of Business Studies and Social Sciences and Arnhem Business School, HAN University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands, Bengaluru, December 13-14, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S. Understanding the Platform Economy of Asia: Effect of Airbnb on Housing in Indian cities, International Conference on *Understanding the Costs and Benefits of the Platform Economy: Implications for Developing Asia*, Asian Development Bank, Manila, Philippines, December 6, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S.(Keynote Address) Urbanization: Economic efficiency, equity and sustainability in the Global South, first Fall School, School of the South of the World, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM), Milan, Italy, Nov 4, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S. Mobility, Job Accessibility and Welfare from Jobs in Indian Cities, WIDER Development Conference on Transforming economies – for better jobs, UNU-WIDER and UNESCAP, Bangkok, Thailand, September 11, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S. Cities and Economic Dynamism: Challenges and Opportunities, India background chapter, Asian Development Outlook 2019 Update Theme Chapter Workshop on Asian Cities: Fostering Growth and Inclusion, Asian Development Bank, Manila, Philippines, May 23, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Commute Time, Job Accessibility and Welfare from Jobs in Indian cities: Evidence from Bengaluru*, ADB Conference on “Urban Development and Economics in the Developing World”, Shanghai Jiaotong University, Shanghai, People’s Republic of China, August 7, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Winners and losers: Who should cities work for? The case of Indian cities, Going Global 2017, British Council, London, United Kingdom, May 23, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Costs and benefits of urbanization: The Indian case, Workshop on Urbanization in Asia: A Comparative Study of the People’s Republic of China and India, Asian Development Bank Institute and the University of Moratuwa, Colombo, Sri Lanka, April 5-6, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Discussant of Human capital and urbanization in India, by Sandeep Sarkar, Workshop on Urbanization in Asia: A Comparative Study of the People’s Republic of China and India, Asian Development Bank Institute and the University of Moratuwa, Colombo, Sri Lanka, April 5-6, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. How to identify specialization? The case of India’s cities, Workshop on Urbanization and Infrastructure in Asia, Asian Development Bank Institute and Central University of Finance and Economics, Beijing, China, June 16, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Invited discussant of “Relationship between infrastructure and population agglomeration in urban India” by Sabyasachi Tripathi, Workshop on Urbanization and Infrastructure in Asia, Asian Development Bank Institute and Central University of Finance and Economics, Beijing, China, June 16, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Urban Land Use Policies: The Case of Indian Cities, Tenth ISAS International Conference on *Politics and Economics of Land in South Asia*, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, Singapore, October 29-30, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Indian urbanization: Benefits and costs, *ADB Workshop on Comparative Study on Urbanization in PRC and India*, Zhongnan University of Economics and Law, Wuhan, People’s Republic of China, September 20, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. What is more challenging: Urban or rural poverty? *ADB Workshop on Untold Side of the Asian Poverty Reduction Story*, Manila, Philippines, March 10-11, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Is urban poverty more challenging than rural poverty? ADB Workshop on the Untold side of the Asian poverty reduction story, Chongqing, China, November 19-20, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Discussant of “Emerging Policy Framework of Poverty Reduction with Inclusive Growth in China,” by Yuan Zhang and Guanghua Wan, ADB Workshop on the Untold side of the Asian poverty reduction story, Chongqing, China, November 19-20, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Asia's urbanization: Causes and primacy, ADB-Fudan Lab for China Development Studies (FLCDS) Workshop on Urbanization and the Poverty-Growth-Inequality Triangle, Fudan University, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, October 31 – 01 November 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Om Mathur. Overview of research on urbanization in India, ADB-Fudan Lab for China Development Studies (FLCDS) Workshop on Urbanization and the Poverty-Growth-Inequality Triangle, Fudan University, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, October 31 – 01 November 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Contribution of the urban poor: A pilot study from Chennai, India, *Shanghai Forum 2013* (Sub-forum on Innovations in Asian urban development), Shanghai, China, May 25-27, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Discussant of "Urban Externalities in the Small Developing Countries of Asia and Latin America: A Comparative Case Study Analysis of Squatter Settlements in Nepal (Kathmandu) and Ecuador (Quito)" by Shiva Adhikari, GDN and IADB Project Workshop on *Urbanization and Development - Delving Deeper into the Nexus*, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, January 24-25, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Contribution of the urban poor: A pilot from Chennai, India, *Twelfth Annual Conference of South Asia Network of Economic Research Institutes*, Colombo, Sri Lanka, December 11-12, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Estimating Welfare Gains from Relaxing Land Use Regulations in India's Cities, *South Asia Department (SARD) Economists' Conference 2012*, Asian Development Bank, Kathmandu, Nepal, December 4-5, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Surender Kumar. India's urban environment: Macro-economic context, challenges, and policies, *Workshop on Green Urbanization in Asia*, Asian Development Bank, Manila, Philippines, April 2-3, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The efficiency of states and cities: Is there a case for public land leasing and sales to finance India's cities? *ADB Workshop on Urbanization in Asia*, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, December 14-15, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Innovative sources of development finance: The role of land in financing India's large cities and comparisons with China, *Twelfth Annual Conference of the Global Development Network*, Bogota, Colombia, January 13-15, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (panelist), Closing Plenary Session of *Third Conference of the International Forum for Contemporary Chinese Studies*, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Xi'an, China, 18-19 September 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (Keynote address), Land in urban infrastructure finance: Comparisons across India and China, *Third Conference of the International Forum for Contemporary Chinese Studies*, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Xi'an, China, 18-19 September 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Comparison of determinants of city growth and output across India and China, *Shanghai Forum 2010*, Fudan University, Shanghai, China, May 29-31, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Is it push or pull? Recent evidence from migration in India, *Tenth Annual Conference of the South Asia Network of Economic Research Institutes*, Dhaka, Bangladesh, March 30-31, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Does city size matter? Firm location choice in the cities of India and China, *Shanghai Forum 2009*, Fudan University, Shanghai, P.R. China, May 11-12, 2009.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Marginal costs of water supply: Evidence from India's cities, *Sixth Public Economics at the Regional and Local Level (PEARL) Conference*, University of Rennes 1, France, VATT,

Government Institute for Economic Research, Helsinki, Finland, and Center for Shandong Public Economics and Public Policy, Shandong University, P.R. China, Jinan, China, May 6-7, 2009.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Discussant of “Empirical analysis of the influential factors of farmers’ participating in rural social endowment insurance,” by Shaobin Shi, Liming Fan, Yuan Wang, *Sixth Public Economics at the Regional and Local Level (PEARL) Conference*, University of Rennes 1, France, VATT, Government Institute for Economic Research, Helsinki, Finland, and Center for Shandong Public Economics and Public Policy, Shandong University, P.R. China, Jinan, China, May 6-7, 2009.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The impact of land use regulations: Evidence from India’s cities, *Ninth Annual Global Development Network Conference*, Brisbane, Australia, January 29-31, 2008; *Global Development Network Workshop on Fragile States: Addressing Vulnerability*, Brisbane, Australia, February 1-2, 2008.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Guanghua Wan. Firm location choice in cities: Evidence from China, India, and Brazil, *United Nations University-World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER) Conference on Southern Engines of Global Growth*, Helsinki, Finland, September 7-8, 2007.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Location choice of firms: Recent evidence from India and China, *Workshop on The Rapid Development of China and India: Domestic and International Consequences*, University of Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium, March 31-April 1, 2006.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Costs of urban infrastructure: Evidence from Indian cities, *Seventh Annual Conference of the South Asia Network of Economic Research Institutes*, Islamabad, Pakistan, December 22-23, 2005.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Telecommunications infrastructure and economic growth: Evidence from developing countries, *United Nations University-World Institute for Development Economics Research (WIDER) Jubilee Conference*, Helsinki, Finland, June 17-18, 2005.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Cities with suburbs: Evidence from India, *World Bank/IPEA Urban Research Symposium*, Brasilia DF, Brazil, April 4-6, 2005.

PRESENTATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

Sridhar, Kala S. Closing remarks. *Executive Programme in Public Policy & Governance*, Institute for Social and Economic Change and Korea Development Institute, Seoul, South Korea, February 6, 2026.

Sridhar, Kala S. Opening remarks. *Executive Programme in Public Policy & Governance*, Institute for Social and Economic Change and Korea Development Institute, Seoul, South Korea, February 2, 2026.

Sridhar, Kala S. Presentation of *Indian cities or suburbs? Trends and causes of suburbanization*, Panel Discussion of the book, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, September 18, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Overview of volume. Book Launch of *Urbanization in the Global South: Perspectives and Challenges*, Oxon: Routledge, Institute for Social and Economic Change, February 4, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Paavo Monkkonen. The suburbanization of India’s cities, Department of Economics, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA, USA, June 23, 2021 (by zoom from LA).

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Paavo Monkkonen. The spatial structure of India’s cities, Lusk Center for Real Estate Research Seminar series, Price School of Public Policy, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA, June 22, 2021 (by zoom from LA).

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Paavo Monkkonen. Did Indian cities become flat during 1975-2015? Global Public Affairs series, Luskin School of Public Affairs, University of California Los Angeles, June 7, 2021.

Sridhar, Kala S and Shivakumar Nayka. Determinants of commute time: The case of Bengaluru, 15th International Conference on Public Policy & Management, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, August 24, 2020 (by zoom).

Sridhar, Kala S. Intra-urban mobility for equitable cities, Kick-off Workshop on Inclusive Cities through Equitable access to Urban Mobility Infrastructures for India and Bangladesh, ISEC, Bengaluru, September 27, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S. and S.Manasi. Sustainable financing for urban India: Viable options, Regional Studies Association Annual Conference, Santiago de Compostela, Spain, June 5-7, 2019.

Nayka, Shivakumar and Kala S Sridhar. Determinants of Intra Urban Mobility: A Study of Bengaluru, *International Conference on the Challenges of Governance in Mega Cities*, ISEC, Bengaluru, October 25-26, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala S., S.Manasi, N.Latha, Spatial Distribution of Urban Services in Mega Cities: A Study of Bengaluru, *International Conference on the Challenges of Governance in Mega Cities*, ISEC, Bengaluru, October 25-26, 2018.

Ramakrishna Nallathiga and Kala S Sridhar. Urban civic service delivery and norms: A pilot study of two Indian cities, *International Conference on the Challenges of Governance in Mega Cities*, ISEC, Bengaluru, October 25-26, 2018.

Sukanya Bhaumik and Kala S Sridhar. Expenditure needs of Indian mega cities, *International Conference on the Challenges of Governance in Mega Cities*, ISEC, Bengaluru, October 25-26, 2018.

Fakih, Amrin and Kala S Sridhar. An appraisal of government schemes and private investment among start-ups in mega cities and India, *International Conference on the Challenges of Governance in Mega Cities*, ISEC, Bengaluru, October 25-26, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and K.C.Smitha. Is Urbanization Broad-basing in India and China? *ISEC-Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences (SASS) Conference on Economic Growth in India and China: Social and Economic Impacts*, ISEC, Bengaluru, September 27, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (invited talk). Is India's definition of urbanization conservative? Some evidence at the national and sub-national levels, *Duke Center for International Development*, Sanford School of Public Policy, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, USA, July 16, 2018.
<https://igs.duke.edu/events/indias-definition-urbanization-conservative-some-evidence-0>

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Regional revival and labor mobility: Economic migrants in Bengaluru, Regional Studies Association Annual Conference, Lugano, Switzerland, June 6, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Is India's definition of urbanization conservative? Some evidence, *12th World Regional Science Congress*, Goa, May 30, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala S. Urbanization and carbon emissions in India and China, Sixth China-India Forum: Indo China Conference on Trade, Economic Development and Poverty Reduction, Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences, Chengdu, People's Republic of China, September 13-14, 2017; Seminar at the Institute for Social and Economic Change, November 13, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala S. Commentator, Sixth China-India Forum: India China Conference on Trade, Economic Development and Poverty Reduction, Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences, Chengdu, People's Republic of China, September 13-14, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (invited talk). The Effect of Urban Land Use Regulations: The Case of Selected Indian Cities, University of Westminster, London, United Kingdom, May 22, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala S. (invited talk) Inclusive growth in India: Inter or intra-regional disparities, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, Singapore, May 11, 2015
(<https://www.isas.nus.edu.sg/events/seminar-25/>).

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The Impact of Land Use Regulations on Housing, Urban Poor and Urban Growth: Evidence from India's Cities, Economics of Housing II – Workshop, University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland, May 20, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The role of land in urban infrastructure finance: Comparisons across India and China, UNU-WIDER, Helsinki, Finland, April 20, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Guanghua Wan. Location choice of firms in cities: Preliminary Findings from China and South Africa, *United Nations University-World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER)*, Helsinki, Finland, May 10, 2007.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. (Collaborative talk with Wim Naude). Suburbanization and their determinants: Evidence from India's cities, *Helsinki Center of Economic Research-World Institute for Development Economics Research (HECER-WIDER) Summer Seminar on Urbanization and Development: An International Perspective*, University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland, September 6, 2007.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The effect of telecommuting on suburbanization: Empirical evidence, *Seventh Joint International Conference of Asian Real Estate Society and American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association*, Seoul, South Korea, July 3-6, 2002.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Enterprise zones in America: Theory and evidence from Ohio's program, *Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) 1998 Annual Research Conference*, New York, USA, October 29-31, 1998.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Urban economic development in America: Evidence from enterprise zones, *Western Regional Science Association (WRSA) Thirty-Seventh Annual Meeting*, Monterey, California, USA, February 18-22, 1998.

Byrnes, Patricia, Mary Marvel and Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. An equilibrium model of tax abatements: City and firm characteristics as determinants of abatement generosity, *Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Nineteenth Annual Research Conference*, Washington, DC, USA, November 6-8, 1997.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Urban economic development in America: The impact of enterprise zones, *Seventh Annual Geography Graduate Student Conference*, The Ohio State University, USA, October 31-November 1, 1997.

Byrnes, Patricia, and Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. City-firm bargaining decisions in Ohio's urban enterprise zones, *Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Eighteenth Annual Research Conference*, Pittsburgh, PA, USA, October 31-November 2, 1996.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Tax costs and employment benefits of enterprise zones, *Western Regional Science Association (WRSA) Thirty-Third Annual Meeting*, Tucson, Arizona, USA, February 23-27, 1994.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS IN NATIONAL CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

Sridhar, Kala S., Can small towns benefit from urbanization? Presentation to the Advisory Committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, December 26, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala S., Distinguished Speaker, *The Art of Publishing, National Social Conclave*, Christ University, Central Campus, Bengaluru, November 18, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala S., Presentation of book: *Indian cities or suburbs? Trends and causes of suburbanization*, Oxford University Press, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, September 18, 2025; International Institute of Information Technology, Bengaluru, September 25, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala S., Economics of urban mobility: Evidence from Bengaluru and lessons for other cities, (Online) Workshop on Sustainable Urban Mobility, Symbiosis Centre for Urban Studies Symbiosis International (Deemed University), February 10, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala S. Urban form in India 1975-2015: Have India's cities become flat? Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, April 5, 2024.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Distinguished panelist, Panel Discussion | Cities, Local Governance, and Interim Union Budget 2024-25 | Impact and Policy Research Institute, February 3, 2024.
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Sridhar, Kala S. Discussant of lecture on "Issues in Urban Development" by Arup Mitra, Giri Institute of Development Studies Golden Jubilee Lecture Series (by zoom), November 24, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. B.P.Vani and Indrajit Bairagya. Frontline Public Delivery Institutions in Karnataka: Recommendations for Improving Delivery of Services, Conference on Experience of Administrative Reforms in India, ISEC and Karnataka Administrative Reforms Commission II, ISEC, Bengaluru, April 29, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. Panelist, Roundtable on *The Challenges of Rebuilding a Resilient Economy in the Post-Pandemic Era*, Seminar on "Revisiting the Impact of Covid-19: Lessons for Re-building a Resilient Economy and Society", Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, March 15, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. Panelist, *Impact of the Union Budget 2023-24 on Various Sectors in India*, Presidency University, Bengaluru, February 28, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. Panelist, *Cities and Union Budget 2023-24*, Impact and Policy Research Institute (IMPRI), New Delhi (by zoom), February 7, 2023. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=72AqmJ9v4No>

Sridhar, Kala S. Discussant of papers in session on Technological Innovations in Agriculture, National Conference on *Evolving Pathways for Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development*, Golden Jubilee Conference of ADRTC, ISEC, 13th January 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. Discussant of Distinguished lecture on "The State of India's Urbanisation" by Om Prakash Mathur, Impact and Policy Research Institute (IMPRI), New Delhi (by zoom), June 22, 2022.
<https://www.impriindia.com/videos/india-urbanisation-video/>

Sridhar, Kala S. Is your city too big? Urban primacy in India, Proposal presentation to the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) (by Google meet), February 11, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala S. The suburbanization of India: An introduction. Webinar on the *Suburbanization of India*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, November 30, 2021.

Sridhar, Kala S. Carbon Emissions, Climate Change and Urbanization: What do they mean for Karnataka and India? Webinar on Responding to Climate Change: What Should Karnataka and India Do? Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, August 19, 2021.

Sridhar, Kala S. Understanding the digital platform economy: Effect of Airbnb on housing in Indian cities, Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics, January 14, 2021 (by zoom)

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Smart cities in India: Distraction or reality, Workshop on Smart City Development in India: Prospects and Problems, Assam Science and Technology University, Guwahati, February 29, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala S. (Invited keynote address) Revisiting industry-academia collaboration: New paradigms, National Conference on Revisiting industry-academia collaboration: Exploring New Paradigms in value creation, CMS Business School, Jain Deemed to be University, Bengaluru, August 24, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S. Initial remarks on workshop theme, Workshop on Citizenship and Marginality in Global cities: Slum and Slum resettlement in Delhi and Bengaluru, Centre for Political Institutions, Governance and Development (CPIGD), ISEC, Bengaluru, July 29, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S. Evaluating the state of women in urban India and Karnataka, *Workshop on Building a Gender Friendly Karnataka*, Sri Ramakrishna Hegde Chair on Decentralization and Development, ISEC, Karnataka Panchayati Raj Parishad & CIVIC, Bengaluru, March 8, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala S. **(Invited)** Indian Univer(c)ities: Do they have a local advantage? Indian Institute of Human Settlements *Annual Research Conference Panel 8*: Knowledge-based economies, innovation networks, and regional development in India, Bengaluru, Jan 11, 2019.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LWXCQDxzolI&index=8&list=PLbmuUHudqeBbmRLrIbVJnnHi-7DCn_BG5.

Sridhar, Kala S. Trends in Municipal Finances: Evidence from Selected Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) in Karnataka, Seminar on *Karnataka Development & Governance*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, December 27, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** The paradox of the North-South divide: Lessons from and for Tamil Nadu, *Tamil Nadu Economic Policy Dialogue*, Tamil Nadu Young Thinkers Forum, Chennai, September 8, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Mobility and Welfare From Jobs in Indian Cities: The Case of Bengaluru, *Sustainable Smart Cities India Summit 2018*, Swacchh Bharat Mission, Smart Cities India Foundation, City Managers Association (CMAK) Karnataka, Responsible Cities Foundation, FKCCI, Indian Institute of Energy Conservation, GRIHA, Bangalore, India, September 6, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Discussant, *Session on Urban Decentralization, Seminar on 25 years of decentralized governance in India: Status, issues and the way forward*, Centre for Decentralization and Development, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, August 30, 2018.

Shivakumar Nayka and Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Urban commuters in India's states and cities: Modes and distance, *India at Seventy: New Development Challenges, Development Convention 2018*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, April 24, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala S. **(Invited)** Urban Financing for Environment and Climate Change, National Environment and Climate Change Congress, Directorate of Environment and Climate Change, Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, March 22, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala S., **(Invited)** Panelist, Session on Technology, Innovation & Collaboration is the key to Smart cities' success, Seminar on 'Smart and Digital Rajasthan,' Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC), Government of Rajasthan and The Guild, Jaipur, Rajasthan, March 15, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Closing panelist, Seminar on Urbanization and Climate Change, IGNA (Indo German Nachkontakt Association), NGRI, Hyderabad, Oct 9, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, S. Manasi and K.C. Smitha. Will Bengaluru become smart or livable? Presentation to the ICSSR Advisory Committee, ISEC, Bengaluru, December 8, 2017; May 12, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala S. **(Invited)** Engaging Urban Poor to build a Resilient, global and smart city, Conference on Chennai as a Global City, UN-Habitat's Urban Thinkers' Campus, National Institute of Urban Affairs and Madras Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Chennai, November 9, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala S. **(Invited)** Is Bangalore inclusive? Access to and net benefits from jobs, EU-India Dialogue on Smart Cities, European Union, German House for Research and Innovation (DWIH), Heidelberg Centre South Asia (HCSA), BayIND (Bavarian-Indian Centre), Observer Research Foundation, and School of Planning and Architecture, Bangalore, October 13, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala S. **(Invited)** Can the Climate Change Effects of Urbanization be Mitigated with Better Policies? Seminar on Urbanization and Climate Change, IGNA (Indo German Nachkontakt Association), NGRI, Hyderabad, Oct 9, 2017.

Holian, Matthew and Kala S Sridhar. The role of road infrastructure and air pollution in the recent suburbanization of India's cities: An exploration, *International Seminar on Change and Mobility in Contemporary India: Thinking M N Srinivas Today*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, 29-30 August 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, **(Invited)** Economic specialization of India's cities. Innovative Cities India Summit 2017, Traicon, Bengaluru, March 16-17, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Ming Lu and Zhao Chen. Costs and Benefits of Urbanization: The Indian Case and Lessons from China, Conference on India, China and the New World Order: Economic, Social, Political and Cultural Dimensions, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, November 21-22, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam **(Invited keynote talk)**. Urban observatories: Opportunities for India. Research Councils UK-India Joint Network on Sustainable Cities and Urbanisation in India, Kickoff Workshop, New Delhi, September 26, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The paradox of India's north south divide: Lessons from the southern region, Eleventh International Conference on Public Policy & Management, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, August 9, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Migration. MGNREGS and the urban poor: What do they imply for India's youth? National Seminar on Sustainable Development Goals for Revitalizing India- Prospects and Challenges for the Youth, Department of Economics, University Grants Commission and Jyoti Nivas College, Bengaluru, August 9, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam Panelist. Unlock Bengaluru: Session on planning and servicing land, World Resources Institute, Bengaluru, July 9, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Bengaluru's urban form and evolution: Theory and empirical evidence, Seminar on Planning city-regions in India, Regional Studies Association-National Institute of Urban Affairs, New Delhi, June 20, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The Urban Transport Governance Initiative (TGI) Toolkit: The Pilot from Bengaluru, Annual conference on Sustainable Cities and Transport (Connect Karo), World Resources Institute, New Delhi, April 7, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Social infrastructure in Indian cities, regions and their impacts, National Seminar on *Dynamics of Social Infrastructure in India - Emerging issues, prospects and challenges*, University Grants Commission and Mount Carmel College, Bengaluru, February 24, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Don't we like our cities to be open defecation free? Panel on Participatory approaches to urban sanitation, National Summit on Sustainable Water and Sanitation

(NSSWS), CDD society, Ministry of Urban Development (MoUD), Government of India, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation (MoDWS), Government of India, and Nispana Innovative Platforms, Bengaluru, January 8, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** State of women in urban India, World Congress on Women (Theme and session: Gender Empowerment), Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for Women, Bengaluru, November 18-20, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Public services, finances, land use regulations and competitiveness: The case of Mangaluru, 2nd Edition of Sustainable Smart Cities India Conference, Mangalore, November 16-17, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Urban poverty to inclusive prosperity: Evidence from research, Urban Thinkers Campus-India, Research Council of UK and National Institute of Urban Affairs, New Delhi, October 6, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Suburbanization of Bengaluru and other Indian cities: What do we know? Conference on Contemporary Issues and Trends in Urban Transformation, Department of Cultural Studies, Jain University Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Bengaluru, September 12, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, S.Manasi and K.C.Smitha. Bangalore city surveys-2: A pilot study, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, July 13, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala S. Modeling Carbon Emissions in India's Cities, International Conference on Climate Change and Social-Ecological-Economical Interface-Building: Modeling Approach to Exploring Potential Adaptation Strategies for Bio-resource Conservation and Livelihood Development, Centre for Ecological Economics and Natural Resources, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, May 20-21, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala S. **(Invited)** Social science research on Indian cities, Joint Consultation on Urban Research Landscape in India, Research Council of UK and National Institute of Urban Affairs, New Delhi, May 15, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala S. The recommendations of the 14th Finance Commission: What does it hold for the Urban Local Bodies (ULBs)? Symposium on the 'Recommendations of the Fourteenth Finance Commission,' Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, April 28, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala S. Economic impacts of climate change in India's cities, International Seminar on Climate Change and Food Security: The Global and Indian Contexts, ISEC and the University of Sydney, Bangalore, February 18, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala S. **(Invited)** Regional Policies and Inclusive Growth, *ICSSR National Seminar on Sustainable regional development in India-challenges and opportunities*, R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics, Mumbai, January 10, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala S. Reservation wages and net benefits from jobs: The case of India's Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Seminar, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, December 8, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala S. Use of Census data on work status in urban and regional research, Census Data Dissemination workshop, Registrar General of India, Directorate of Census Operations, Karnataka and Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, December 1, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala S. What do we learn from the Bangalore city surveys-2: Preliminary findings, Presentation to ISEC's Board of Governors, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore, November 24, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Achieving Inclusive Urban prosperity: Policy perspectives, *Sustainable Chennai Forum on Inclusive Urban Prosperity*, Madras Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Chennai, November 10, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Discussant of session on Urbanization, migration and the environment, *International seminar on Global Issues of Population, Development and Environment*, Indian Council for Social Science Research, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board and Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bangalore, October 28, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Urban Governance in India: The State of Public Services and Fiscal Health, *Cities for all: 11th Metropolis World Congress*, Session on Urban Governance, Centre for Good Governance, and Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Hyderabad, October 9, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** India's MGNREGS: Has it impacted poverty? Workshop on 'Interrogating Rural-Urban Transitions: Dominant and Alternative Conceptualizations,' Centre for Rural Urban Dynamics (CRUD), IRMA, and Centre for Urban Policy and Governance, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), IRMA, Anand, August 28, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Challenges of urban services and governance in Bangalore, Workshop on systems thinking and adaptive governance: the context of urban flooding and water stress in Bangalore, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) and Asian Pacific Network for Global Change Research, Bangalore, April 24, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Challenges in implementation of climate change policies at local level, State level consultative workshop on Implications of climate change for water and sanitation, UNICEF and TERI, Bangalore, December 12, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Urban development policies to enable resilience, National Conference on *Emerging mechanisms and responses of cities to climate change*, Rockefeller Foundation and TARU, New Delhi, December 10, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Land use regulations: Impacts on suburbanization and city area, *Vibhooti Shukla Centre for Urban Economics and Regional Development*, University of Mumbai, Mumbai, September 24, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** The impact of land use regulations on the supply of land: The case of India's cities, *Workshop on Land Economics: Issues and Challenges*, National Council of Applied Economic Research, New Delhi, August 5, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Clean environment: Waste management solutions, *Workshop on Energy & Environment: Challenges and solutions*, Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, June 14, 2013. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JM-NPbDEII>

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Comments regarding draft GOLD III report for the Asia Pacific *Workshop*, United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG), Cities Development Initiative of Asia (CDIA), Ahmedabad, April 16, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Suburbanization of India's cities, Conference on *The 21st Century Indian City: Towns, Metros, and the Indian Economy*, Center for South Asia Studies, the University of California, Berkeley, and the Indian Institute for Human Settlements, Bangalore, March 26, 2013. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Z4Hg-x56Es&noredirect=1>

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Bangalore's suburban growth and performance in public service delivery: Reforms needed in the context of reorganization, Seminar on 'Reorganizing the Bangalore Municipal Area into two or more Municipal Corporations,' Indian Institute of Public Administration, Bangalore, January 19, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** The use of land leasing and sales for environmental management in India's cities, TERI and Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), New Delhi, September 20-21, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Nivedita Kashyap. Benchmarking cities: Evidence from India, *International Conference on Public Policy and Governance*, Bangalore, September 4-6, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A. Venugopala Reddy. Urban infrastructure programs: What do we learn from Karnataka? *International Conference on Public Policy and Governance*, Bangalore, September 4-6, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A. Venugopala Reddy. Contribution of the Urban Poor: A Pilot Study from Bangalore, India, *Department for International Development (DFID) and Support to National Policies for Urban Poverty Reduction*, Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India, New Delhi, July 19, 2012; February 21, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Building height restrictions: Evidence, impacts and welfare gains in India's cities, *Workshop on Densification of Cities*, West Bengal Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation (WBHIDCO), Kolkata, July 14, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Is it Push or Pull? Recent Evidence from Migration into Bangalore, India, *International Seminar on Young People and Migration (Plenary Session II on Internal Migration)*, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Sriperumbudur, January 18-19, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam **(Invited)** (panelist, plenary session on Integrating Land, Housing, and Infrastructure for Urban Development: Regional & Planning perspectives). City growth and institutional controls: The case of Indian cities, *India Urban Conference*, Mysore, November 18, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Closing panelist, Sustainability of finance in Indian cities, *International Seminar on Just Cities*, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung and School of Planning and Architecture (Delhi), Mumbai, October 18, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Just infrastructure for Indian cities, *International Seminar on Just Cities*, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung and School of Planning and Architecture (Delhi), Mumbai, October 18, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. A study of program implementation and service delivery to improve efficiency and cost-effectiveness: The cases of Mukhyamantri Nagarothana Yojane (MNY), UIDSSMT and SJSRY, Expenditure Reforms Commission, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore, March 23, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Determinants of city growth and output in India, Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, February 24, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and Om Mathur. **(Invited)** Urban water supply: Marginal costs, pricing and service delivery, *India Infrastructure Report 2011 Writers' Workshop*, 3iNetwork, Mumbai, February 17, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Discussant of "An economic valuation of the functional uses of Yamuna river water using Contingent Valuation Method" by Ramakrishna Nallathiga and Ram Babu, *India Infrastructure Report 2011 Writers' Workshop*, Mumbai, India, February 17, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** The impact of land use regulations on urban poverty: The case of Indian cities, *National Seminar on Urban Poverty and Social Exclusion*, Christ University and Indian Council of Social Science Research, Bangalore, India, February 11-12, 2011.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Making India's cities competitive, Conference on *Urban Infrastructure in India*, Indian Infrastructure and Centre for Infrastructure Policy and Regulation, Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, New Delhi, India, December 9-10, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Land as a municipal financing option: A pilot study from India, *Fifth International Conference on Public Policy and Management*, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, India, August 9, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (panelist). Brainstorming session, *Unique Identification Authority of India*, Bangalore, India, June 22, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam (panelist). **(Invited)** Output specification: Monitoring of outputs and outcomes, *Seminar on Outcome Budget*, Institute of Public Auditors of India (IPAI), Bangalore, India, June 12, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A.Venugopala Reddy. **(Invited public lecture)** Finances, land sales and public service delivery in India's cities, *Center for Study of Science, Technology & Policy*, Bangalore, India, March 23, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam **(Invited)** panelist), Discussion on the union budget 2010-11, *Bangalore International Centre*, Bangalore, India, March 8, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Economic impacts of climate change in India's cities, *Writers' Workshop for India Infrastructure Report 2010*, New Delhi, India, February 6-7, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Discussant of "High cost carbon and local government finance" by Patricia Annez and Thomas Zuelgaray, *Writers' Workshop for India Infrastructure Report 2010*, New Delhi, India, February 6-7, 2010.

Paul, Samuel, Kala S Sridhar, A.Venugopala Reddy and J.Aditya. State of our cities: Findings from ten cities in Karnataka, Brigade, Bangalore, India, February 4, 2010; December 10, 2009; Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore, India, March 23, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A.Venugopala Reddy. Investment and economic opportunities: Urbanization, infrastructure and governance in the North and South of India, *Fourth International Conference on Public Policy and Management*, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, India, August 11, 2009.

Paul, Samuel and Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The paradox of India's north-south divide, Public Affairs Centre, Bangalore, India, June 18, 2009.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A.Venugopala Reddy. Is it push or pull? Evidence from Migration in India, Public Affairs Centre, Bangalore, May 26, 2009.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A.Venugopala Reddy. "State of India's States: A Discussion," Public Affairs Centre, Bangalore, October 15, 2008.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Land use regulations, their severity and city growth: Evidence from India's cities, *Third International Conference on Public Policy and Management*, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, India, August 5, 2008.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Do land use regulations matter? Evidence from India's cities, *Seminar*, Public Affairs Centre, Bangalore, India, May 7, 2008.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The Impact of regulations on suburbanization: Preliminary findings from India's cities, *Institute for Social and Economic Change*, Bangalore, India, January 4, 2007.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Improving the fiscal health of India's cities: A Pilot study, *World Bank and National Institute of Public Finance and Policy*, New Delhi, India, December 19, 2006.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Density gradients and their determinants: Evidence from India, *National Institute of Urban Affairs*, New Delhi, India, July 21, 2006.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Growth centres as a tool of regional development: Evidence from India, *Institute for Social and Economic Change*, Bangalore, India, May 20, 2004.

Singh, Shailendra and Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. A survey of private schooling and children in DPEP II districts, *National Seminar on Research in Education*, State Institute for Educational Management and Training (SIEMAT), Allahabad, India, December 12, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Benefits and costs of urban development: Evidence from Ohio's enterprise zone program, *National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) Seminar Series*, New Delhi, India, March 1, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. **(Invited)** Fiscal consolidation in India's budget for 2000-01, *Seminar on Union Budget 2000-01*, Institute of Development Studies, University of Lucknow, India, February 26, 2000.

CHAIRPERSON ROLES IN INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Chairperson, Session on Evolving Dynamics of Informality in India: Role of GST and Structural Change, Two-Day National Conference on Beyond Revenues: GST's Role in Educational Equity, Job Creation and Formalisation of Informal Economy, ISEC and ICSSR, Bengaluru, 16-17 March 2026.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Chairperson, Session on *Urban Sector and Welfare*, National Seminar on *Governance and Welfare Measures in India: Policies, Challenges and the Way Forward*, ISEC, Bengaluru, December 17-19, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson, Session on Urbanization. International Conference on Land, Soil and Territory in the Souths of the World, ABMSP's Anantrao Pawar College of Engineering & Research, Pune, and School of the South of the World, Milan, Italy, February 20-21, 2025 (Online)

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Technical Session on Landscape of Self-Employment: Assessing Structures, Status and Work Quality, 65th Indian Society of Labor Economics Conference, Indian Society of Labor Economics, Delhi, Department of Labor, Government of Karnataka and Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, Jan 9-11, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Intergroup Inequality in Income and Poverty and its Determinants and Related Issues, International conference on "Intergroup Inequality in Indian Society: Magnitude, Nature, Sources, Policies and the Movement," Government of Karnataka, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), Association of Academics and Social Justice (AASJ) and Indian Institute of Dalit Studies (IIDS), ISEC, Bengaluru, August 23-25, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. 74th Amendment & Karnataka's Cities Progress in planning and governance, in Panel Discussion on *Urban Governance in Karnataka*, INHAF, CIVIC and Citizens' Agenda for Bengaluru, Bengaluru, August 12, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Seminar on Evaluation of Ayushman Bharat Arogya Karnataka, by Prof.C.M.Lakshmana, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, June 12, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Systemic complexities and deficiencies in the urban governance ecosystem -I, *Policy Conflux: International Conference on Cities and Citizens*, Christ University (MA in Public Policy) and Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, April 17-18, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Urban Poverty and demographics in cities, *Policy Conflux: International Conference on Cities and Citizens*, Christ University (MA in Public Policy) and Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, April 17-18, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Covid-19 Pandemic and its Traces in the Urban Context, International Conference on Facets of Covid-19 on Migration and Informal Sector Workers, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru November 24-25, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on International Evidence with Covid-19 and its Management, Golden Jubilee International Conference on *Covid-19 and Cities: Is it merely short-term or has it changed our cities forever?* Centre for Research in Urban Affairs, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, INDIA, November 17-18, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Executive management of Covid-19 in Bengaluru, Golden Jubilee International Conference on *Covid-19 and Cities: Is it merely short-term or has it changed our cities forever?* Centre for Research in Urban Affairs, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, INDIA, November 17-18, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Women Leadership in Urban Governance, National Seminar on *Women leadership in decentralized governance*, Centre for Decentralization and Development, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru November 3-4, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on COVID-19 Pandemic, Urban and Sectoral Issues, National Seminar on *Transformations due to the COVID-19 Pandemic: Exploring the Possibilities of a Better Tomorrow*, Centre for Human Resources Development, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru July 26-27, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Co-Chairperson. Session on Assessing the Potential of Peri-urban Agriculture under Changing Climate, Seminar on *Advancing Frontiers of Knowledge on Climate Action: Cross-sectional Approaches for Mitigation and Resilience*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, IIT-Bombay and IIM-Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, October 22-23, 2021.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Book Discussion on “Urban Governance and Local Democracy in South India (Routledge 2021), Institute for Social and Economic Change, and Indian Institute of Public Administration, Bengaluru, August 31, 2021.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Urban transformation, *Annual Conference of the Indian Association of Social Science Institutions*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, February 28, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Local governance and social justice. *National seminar on Social Justice and the Working of Panchayats in India: Revisiting the Concern of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar School of thought*, Ramakrishna Hegde Chair on Decentralization, ISEC, Bengaluru, September 18, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session I on Citizenship and marginality in global cities, Workshop on *Citizenship and Marginality in Global cities: Slum and Slum resettlement in Delhi and Bengaluru*, Centre for Political Institutions, Governance and Development (CPIGD), ISEC, July 29, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson. Session on Urban economies. Regional Studies Association Annual Conference, Santiago de Compostela, Spain, June 5, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Invited Chairperson and Jury Member. Track on Technology Management and Competitiveness, Consortium of Students in Management Research (COSMAR) 2018, Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, November 29, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Chairperson. Seminar on China's Transformation: The Success Story and the Success Trap by Manoranjan Mohanty, Institute of Chinese Studies, ISEC, Bengaluru, Nov 14, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Chairperson. Session on Urban Metropolitan Governance, International Conference on the Challenges of Governance in Mega Cities, ISEC, Bengaluru, October 25-26, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Chairperson. Session on Issues of Governance in India and China, ISEC-SASS Conference on Economic growth in India and China: Social and economic impacts, ISEC, Bengaluru, September 27, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Chairperson. Session on Urban and Regional Methodology and Data II. Regional Studies Association Annual Conference, Lugano, Switzerland, June 4, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Chairperson, Session on City Size, Workshop on Urbanization in Asia: A Comparative Study of the People's Republic of China and India, Asian Development Bank Institute and the University of Moratuwa, Colombo, Sri Lanka, April 5-6, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Chairperson, National seminar on flagship programs: Impacts, problems and challenges ahead, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Hyderabad, November 20, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson, Session on Urbanization processes and Urban Morphology in the Periphery of Capitalism: Sao Paulo, Jakarta, Hanoi and Belo Horizonte, GDN and IADB Project Workshop on *Urbanization and Development - Delving Deeper into the Nexus*, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, January 24-25, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Chairperson, Session on Infrastructure, International Conference on Public Policy and Governance, Bangalore, September 4-6, 2012.

TRAINING AND INVITED LECTURES

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Tools and techniques of urban and regional research*, Certificate Course on Research Methodology and Applications for Social Science Research, ISEC, Bengaluru, May 22, 2026; September 2, 2024; December 6, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala S. Urban and Regional Research Tools and Techniques: Theory and Practice, Intensive Training Programme on Research Methodology with Hands-on Training, April 2, 2026.

Sridhar, Kala S. Urban Concentration, Economy and Society: Evidence from India. Christ University Department of Sociology, Quality Improvement Programme (QIP) for faculty, Bengaluru, March 12, 2026.

Sridhar, Kala S. Challenges of Urbanization in India: Definition, Urban Poverty, Transport and the Environment. *Social Science Talent Search Scheme*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, February 28, 2026.

Sridhar, Kala S. Challenges of urbanization in India and Karnataka. *Executive Programme in Public Policy & Governance to Officials of the Government of Karnataka*, Government of Karnataka and the Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, January 21, 2026.

Sridhar, Kala S. Understanding housing in Indian cities: Effect of land use regulations and technology, Lecture delivered at California State University-Sacramento (as part of course FIN 149), April 29, 2025 (by Zoom from Bakersfield, California)
https://csus.zoom.us/rec/share/HIVx_FvCrPHPgh3F3oV1Jmg4VdFvwOFmdrRPmkLM232OLPztwDNL1pv4GueDmBii.kG5OujfNTY7apP4o

Sridhar, Kala S. Migration, urbanization, and informal economies, Workshop on Migration, Informality and Development, Work Fair and Free (WFF), Aajeevika Bureau and Institute for Social and Economic Change, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, March 4, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala S. Challenges of urbanization in India. Social Science Talent Search Scheme, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, February 22, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala S. Frontline public service delivery institutions in Karnataka: The case of urban local bodies, Presentation to the UGC Refresher course on the theme: "Linking Governance, Development and Technology - Challenges and Strategies" for UG and PG teachers, organised by UGC-MMTTC, Bangalore University, Bengaluru, ISEC, Bengaluru, September 26, 2024.

Sridhar, Kala S., Distinguished Expert Resource Person, Urban Environmental Promotion and Tackling Climate Change Towards Viksit Bharat - Developed India@2047 (online), Impact Policy and Research Institute (IMPRI) Urban Policy and City Planning Course Cohort 2.0 Theme: Towards Viksit Bharat-Developed India@2047, July 17, 2024.

Sridhar, Kala S., Land use regulations and effects on urban growth, Department of Economics, Christ (Deemed to be University), Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore, March 5, 2024.

Sridhar, Kala S., *Unveiling the uniqueness of social science research and its lasting impact*, Faculty Development Program, School of Law, Christ (Deemed to be University), Hosur Road, Bangalore, 8th December, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. *Urbanization and public policy*, SAMAH-2023 - First Dr. TMA Pai Student Research Conference, Department of Public Policy, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Bengaluru, November 21, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. *Tools and techniques of urban and regional research*. Faculty Development Program, Karnataka State Open University, Mysore, November 3, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. *Do urban services reach the edge resident in centralizing cities?* School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal, March 24, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *India's Urbanization and Environmental Challenges*, Social Science Talent Search Scheme, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, February 11, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Tools and techniques of urban and regional research*. Research Methodology Course in Social Science Research, Indian Council of Social Science Research, ISEC, Bengaluru, July 13, 2022; March 16, 2020; December 11, 2019; March 26, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam, Invited panelist. *Swacchh Bharat Mission—What has it achieved for urban India?* Panel discussion on Swacchh Bharat, Training Programme on Public Policy and Governance for Government of Karnataka, ISEC, Bengaluru, June 28, 2019; January 12, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Peculiarities of Indian cities; Economic effects of urban governance in India's cities*; Manipal School of Architecture and Planning, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal, February 27, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Tools and techniques of urban and regional research; Land use regulations in India's cities*. Manipal School of Architecture and Planning, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal, February 6, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Benchmarking urban infrastructure and service delivery*, Training Programme on Public Policy and Governance for Government of Karnataka, ISEC, Bengaluru, Jan 30, 2020; June 28, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Recent Advances in Urban Economic Research, Related Tools and Evidence*, Advancements in Social Science Knowledge Production: Approaches, paradigms and Practices, Fostering Linkages in Academic Innovation and Research (FLAIR) Training Program, Government of Kerala Department of Collegiate Education, ISEC, Bengaluru, February 20, 2019; February 23, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Urban Transport Governance Initiative*, Training Programme on Public Policy and Governance for Government of Karnataka, ISEC, Bengaluru, January 12, 2019.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Urbanization and land use regulations: Theory and empirical evidence*, National Workshop on *Smart services for future cities*, Dayananda Sagar College of Architecture, Bengaluru, December 5, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Urbanization, land use regulations and impacts*, Center for Urban Studies, Faculty of Architecture, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal, September 14, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *India's Urbanization and Environmental Challenges; Commute challenges and transportation problems: Implications for the Environment*, ISEC-Nordic Course in India (NCI) Course on Approaching the environment in India – Issues and methods in the study of nature-economy-society interface, Bengaluru, July 1, 2019; July 9, 2018; July 5, 2016; July 7, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Decentralized Urban Planning Strategies: Some Emerging Issues for Research*, Capacity Building Training Programme on Social Science Research for Faculty and Research Scholars, ISEC, Bengaluru, March 7, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Status of basic services in Bengaluru*. Workshop on Building Synergy between Civil Society Organisations and BBMP, ISEC and CIVIC, Bengaluru, September 26, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *India's Urbanization, Environmental Challenges, and Land Use Regulations*, Green Skills Academy, Centre for Sustainable Development, Bangalore, September 20, 2017.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Blending science with social science: What do urban studies show?* Social Science Talent Search Scheme, Institute for Social and Economic Change, August 27, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Urban form and policy: Theory and empirical evidence* (Invited special lecture in urban economics), Government Arts College, Bengaluru, April 26, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Data, Tools and Techniques for Urban and Regional Research*, Certificate Course on Methods and Applications in Social Science Research, ISEC, Bengaluru, October 7, 2016; November 3, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *Data Sources and Analysis in Urban and Regional Research*, Capacity Building Programme for Social Science Faculty, Indian Council for Social Science Research and Centre for Women and Gender Studies, ISEC, Bengaluru, August 5, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala S. Land use regulations and implications for inclusive planning, Training programme on Urban administration and governance, Environmental Management & Policy Research Institute (EMPRI) and Karnataka Urban Infrastructure and Development Finance Corporation (KUIDFC), Bangalore, April 1, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala S. Land use, building regulations and their impacts: Local, national and international evidence, Workshop on *Urban governance*, State Institute of Urban Development, Administrative Training Institute, Government of Karnataka, Mysore, November 22, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. *India's urban environmental challenges*. ISEC-Nordic Course in India (NCI) Course on Approaching the environment in India – Issues and methods in the study of nature-economy-society interface, ISEC, Bengaluru, July 21, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Building regulations and their impacts: Local, national and international evidence, Training on *Urban zoning regulations and building bye laws*, State Institute of Urban Development, Mysore, October 18-20, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Land Use Regulations and Urban Growth: Evidence from Bangalore and India's Cities, Workshop on *Innovations in Urban Planning*, State Institute of Urban Development, Administrative Training Institute, Karnataka Urban Infrastructure and Development Finance Corporation (KUIDFC) and the Urban Development Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore, August 25, 2012.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Activities of the Public Policy Research Group, Orientation for *Kristu Jayanthi College MSW (Master's in Social Work) Students*, September 2011; *Christ University MSW (Master's in Social Work) Students*, Public Affairs Centre, Bangalore, June 2013, June 2012, June 2011, June 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A. Venugopala Reddy. Finances, Norms and Public Service Delivery in India's Cities, *Training Program for Officials of the Government of Bangladesh*, Public Affairs Centre, Bangalore, India, December 7-9, 2009.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Urban reforms: JNNURM and Infrastructure Development Programs for Small and Medium Towns, Workshop on *Twenty-First Century Urban Governance: Imperatives and Policies*, Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development (CRRID), Chandigarh, India, August 16, 2007.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Fiscal Policy: Growth and Poverty Reduction, Training Program for State-Level Financial Officers, November 3, 2004; June 28, 2005 (Refresher Program for University and College Teachers); November 28, 2005 (Training Program for Probationers of the Indian Economic Service); Jan 10, 2006 (Training Program for middle level officials of the Government of Assam); May 26, 2006 and June 9, 2006 (Course on Public Economy for Bhutan Officials); June 16, 2006 (Course in Public Finance for University and College Teachers in South Asia); August 7, 2006 (*Training Program for Probationers of the Indian Economic Service*); September 20, 2006 (*Training Program on Fiscal Policy for Officials of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan*), National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Issues in Public Service Delivery, *Training Program on Fiscal Policy for Officials of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan*, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India, September 20, 2006.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Urban reforms in the Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns, Seminar on *Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns*, Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development (CRRID), Chandigarh, India, April 7, 2006.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Principles and Approaches to Public Finance, *Training Program for Indian Audit and Accounts Officers*, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India, February 9, 2004; February 14, 2005, January 30, 2006.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Economic Reform: Impact on Indian Business, *Management Development Program on Managing Business in Emerging Environment for Gas Authority of India (GAIL) Executives*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, September 3, 2001.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Issues in Multiple Regression Analysis, *Management Development Program on Business Forecasting for Effective Planning*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, February 20, 2001.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Overview of Macroeconomic Policies, *Management Development Program on Financial Management for Indian Forestry Service (I.F.S.) Officers*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, January 29, 2001.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Regional Development Strategies in the U.S.: Implications for India, *Training Program for Middle-Level Indian Administrative Service (I.A.S.) Officers*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, December 13, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Regression Analysis for Business Planning, *Management Development Program on Economic Tools for Better Business Planning*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, November 28, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Firm Location Theory for Corporate Planning, *Management Development Program on Economic Tools for Better Business Planning*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, November 27, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Shift-Share Analysis for Business Planning, *Management Development Program on Economic Tools for Better Business Planning*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, November 27, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The Future of Privatization, *Seminar on Liberty and Society*, Bankers' Institute of Rural Development, Lucknow, India, October 2, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The Use of Econometric Models in Economic Decision-Making, *Indian Administrative Service (I.A.S.) Training Program*, Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie, India, April 26-28, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Social Compensation Policies, *Indian Forest Service (I.F.S.) Training Program*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, March 3, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Sales Tax Incentives and Economic Growth in India, *Indian Economic Service (I.E.S.) Training Program*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, January 8, 2000.

COORDINATION OF PANEL DISCUSSIONS, CONFERENCES, TRAINING PROGRAMS, AND MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Coordinator (with R.Manjula), Executive Education Programme in Public Policy and Governance to Senior Officials of the Government of Karnataka, January 19-February 14, 2026.

Coordinator, Visit of Delegation of Swedish Universities, ISEC, Bengaluru, November 13, 2024.

Coordinator, Book discussion on *Governing Urban India: Policy and Practice*, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, September 24, 2024.

Coordinator, Seminar on *Adapting to Flood Risk: Evidence from a Panel of Global Cities*, by Sahil Gandhi and Vaidehi Tandel (University of Manchester), ISEC, March 26th, 2024.

Co-Coordinator (with Tarun Arora), *Policy Conflux: International Conference on Cities and Citizens*, Christ University (MA in Public Policy) and Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, April 17-18, 2023.

Coordinator, Seminar on *Income Inequality in India and in Indian States*, by Anupam Tyagi, Alliance University, ISEC, Bengaluru, March 17, 2023.

Coordinator, Golden Jubilee International Conference on *Covid-19 and Cities: Is it merely short-term or has it changed our cities forever?* Centre for Research in Urban Affairs, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, INDIA, November 17-18, 2022.

Coordinator, Seminar on *Pandemic and lockdowns: Governance strategies and community responses for Covid-19 in Shanghai*, by Zhumin Xu, McGill University, Visiting Scholar, Centre for Research in Urban Affairs, ISEC, Bengaluru, August 17, 2022.

Coordinator, Seminar on *Life cycle assessment in an environmental and innovation policy context*, by Deepak Rajagopal, UCLA, ISEC, Bengaluru, June 16, 2022.

Coordinator, *Book launch of Urbanization in the Global South: Perspectives and Challenges*, Oxon: Routledge, ISEC, Bengaluru, February 4, 2022.

Coordinator, Webinar on the *Suburbanization of India*, ISEC, Bengaluru, November 30, 2021.

Coordinator, International Panel discussion on *Covid-19 and Cities*, ISEC, Bengaluru, December 14, 2020.

Coordinator, International Conference on the *Challenges of Governance in Mega Cities*, ISEC, Bengaluru, October 25-26, 2018.

Coordinator, ISEC-Sichuan Academy of Social Sciences (SASS) India-China Conference on *Economic Growth in India and China: Social and economic impacts*, ISEC, Bengaluru, September 27-28, 2018.

Co-Chairperson, *International Conference on Public Policy and Governance*, Public Affairs Centre and Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India, September 4-6, 2012.

Coordinator, Roundtable on *Fiscal Health of Cities: An International Perspective*, World Bank and National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India, December 19, 2006.

Coordinator, Training Program on *Fiscal Policy*, Indian Economic Service Probationers, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India, November 28-December 2, 2005.

Coordinator, Management Development Programme (MDP) on *Economic Tools for Better Business Planning*, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, India, November 27-29, 2000.

PRESENTATIONS TO POLICY MAKERS

Sridhar, Kala S. Central Transfers to Urban Local Bodies: The Case of Karnataka, Session on 16th Finance Commission report, Seminar on reports of the 16th Finance Commission and 5th State Finance Commission Reports, Karnataka Panchayat Raj Parishad, May 10, 2026.

D.Rajasekhar, Meenakshi Rajeev, **Sridhar, Kala S.**, B.P.Vani, Indrajit Bairagya, R.Manjula, and Khalil Musa Shaha, Evaluation of urban finances, subsidies and development objectives of the Government of Karnataka, Presentation to the 16th Central Finance Commission, Government of India, New Delhi, March 11, 2025 (by Webex from California).

Sridhar, Kala S. Urban primacy, Mobility and Urban finances in Karnataka, Karnataka 5th State Finance Commission, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, January 24, 2025.

Sridhar, Kala S. Sustainable Finances for Karnataka's Cities and Service Delivery, Karnataka 5th State Finance Commission, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, December 12, 2023.

Sridhar, Kala S. Krishna Raj, Anjali Karol Mohan, S.Manasi, Channamma Kambara, R.Manjula, Anilkumar Vaddiraju, Environmental Problems and Congestion: Evolving Sustainable Solutions for Bengaluru's Development, Karnataka Evaluation Authority (KEA), December 21, 2023 (Policy suggestions); December 2, 2023 (KEA Technical Committee meeting); July 25, 2023; June 19, 2023; April 5, 2023; March 20, 2023; December 30, 2022; November 8, 2022; October 27, 2022, August 23, 2022, April 4, 2022 (by zoom from LA).

Sridhar, Kala S. Meeting with the Minister for Planning, Programme Monitoring and Statistics Department, Government of Karnataka, September 20, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala S., Strategic opportunities and challenges for Bengaluru's Climate Action Plan, Expert Stakeholder Consultation for Climate Action Plan for Bengaluru, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and World Resources Institute, Bengaluru (by zoom), June 20, 2022.

Sridhar, Kala S., Frontline Public Delivery Institutions in Karnataka: Recommendations for Improving Delivery of Services in ULBs, Presentation to the Administrative Reforms Commission-2, Government of Karnataka, March 7, 2022 (by MS Teams)

Sridhar, Kala S. Can small towns in India benefit from urbanization? Proposal Presentation to NITI Aayog, Jan 24, 2022 (by webex).

Sridhar, Kala S., Urban primacy in Karnataka: Infrastructure, policy and dispersal of jobs, Presentation to the Karnataka Urban Infrastructure Development and Finance Corporation (KUIDFC), Government of Karnataka, April 15, 2021 (by Google meet).

Sridhar, Kala S (invited), Sustainable revenue options for Karnataka's cities, Webinar on Review of municipal own finance and reforms, Government of Karnataka, May 2, 2020 (by zoom).

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Selected research on urbanization (invited). Presentation to the Government of Karnataka. Bengaluru, Jan 10, 2020.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Sustainable financing for Karnataka's cities: Preliminary findings, Draft report presentation, May 18, 2018; Inception report presentation, Directorate of Municipal Administration, Bengaluru, April 3, 2018.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. The potential of land leasing and sales in India's cities, Presentation to the Fourth Karnataka State Finance Commission, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru, March 9, 2016.

Sridhar, Kala S. Climate change in Karnataka's cities: Is this real? Proposal presentation to Environmental Management and Policy Research Institute (EMPRI), Bengaluru, October 16, 2015.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Urbanization and human development. Presentation to the Government of Karnataka's Planning Department, Meeting to review the progress of the State Human Development Report, Bangalore, July 19, 2014.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam and A.V.Reddy. A study of program implementation and service delivery to improve efficiency and cost-effectiveness: The case of Mukhyamantri Nagarothana Yojana (MNY) in Shimoga, Shimoga City Municipal Council, March 20, 2013.

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Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Invited participant, International conference on Inclusive urban planning, Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Government of India, and Department of International Development, New Delhi, February 18-19, 2013.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Suggestions regarding Karnataka's draft urban development policy, Recommendations presented to Karnataka's Minister for Urban Development, Mr.Suresh Kumar, Bangalore, India, January 8, 2010.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. “The Impact of Land Use Regulations on Affordable Housing,” Presentation to the *Task Force on Affordable Housing for All (headed by Mr. Deepak Parekh)*, Bangalore, June 4, 2008.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. “Financial implications of infrastructure requirements,” Presentation to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) team, as part of Article IV Consultations (invited), National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India, October 19, 2004.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. “How to Reduce the Government’s Revenue Deficit?” Recommendations presented to the *Finance Minister, Government of Uttar Pradesh*, Lucknow, India, March 11, 2000.

Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. “Recommendations regarding tax devolution from Centre to the States,” Deposition before the *Eleventh Finance Commission*, Lucknow, India, January 12, 2000.

Ph.D. STUDENTS GRADUATED

Nagarjun, K.B., February 2021-current (Thesis topic: Urban housing affordability, gender parity, law and policy: Analysis and evidence from Bengaluru). **Thesis submitted to the University of Mysore: December 10, 2025.**

Amrin Kamaluddin Fakih, Jan 2017-current (Thesis topic: A socio-economic analysis of start-ups in India: A study of selected sub-sectors). **Thesis submitted to the University of Mysore: July 25th, 2024, Date of viva voce: July 31, 2025.**

Jamadar Mudassar, February 2016-January 2025 (Thesis topic: Identifying the urban poor, their deprivations and coping strategies: A study in Bengaluru city). Thesis submitted to the University of Mysore: June 5th, 2024, **Date of viva voce: January 15, 2025.**

Sukanya Bhaumik, February 2016-August 2024 (Thesis topic: Fiscal gaps in cities: The case of select ULBs in India). Date of submission of thesis to University of Mysore: Feb 14th 2024. **Date of viva voce: August 20, 2024.**

Ramakrishna Nallathiga, Jan 2017-Aug 2023 (Thesis topic: Urban finances and service delivery in Indian cities: The case of selected urban local governments, Date of submission of thesis to University of Mysore: December 1, 2022). **Date of viva voce: August 4, 2023.**

Shivakumar Nayka, February 2015-Aug 2020 (Thesis topic: Intra urban mobility to work in Bengaluru: Spatial and socio-economic determinants). Thesis submission to University of Mysore: August 2019; **Date of viva voce: August 7, 2020.**

Ph.D. AND POST-DOCTORAL STUDENTS’ GUIDANCE, DOCTORAL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP, AND PANEL EXPERT ROLES

Supervisor/Advisor for following Ph.D. students:

Shanthala, V. October 2024-current (Thesis topic: Spatial provisioning for accessibility to elementary schools in peri-urban areas: A case in Bengaluru region).

Basabdatta Jana, November 2023-current (Thesis topic: Urbanization and regional disparities in healthcare infrastructure: A study of Odisha).

Shwetha Harish Pai, March 2022-current (Thesis topic: Stringency of land use regulations, Floor Area Ratio (FAR) optimality and housing: Evidence from India’s million-plus cities).

Doctoral Committee member for theses of following Ph.D. students:

K.Poornima, March 2026-current
 K.Abhirami, March 2026-current
 K.Rakshitha, May 2024-current.
 Uma Mahadevan, IAS, May 2024-current
 Subha Kalyan, IAS, March 2024-current
 Sreerama Krishnan, May 2023-current
 Dipanwita Jena, Aug 2024-current
 Roshan Thomas, June 2022-current
 Vikas Thakur, March 2022-current
 Bhuvaneshwari T H, November 2021-current
 Megha Susan Philip, November 2021-current
 Namita Rose Joseph, November 2021-current
 Rupsa Ghosh, November 2021-current
 Sabin Jerry Thomas, November 2021-May 2026 (Thesis submitted to University of Mysore: May 2026)
 Riya Bhattacharya, November 2021-February 2026 (Thesis submitted to University of Mysore: Feb 2026)
 Susan Dolores George, November 2021-Nov 2025 (Thesis submitted to University of Mysore: Nov 2025)
 Shafeeqe Abdul Kader, April 2017-June 2025 (Thesis submitted to University of Mysore: June 2025)
 Aboobacker T.P., April 2017-Jan 2025 (Thesis submitted to University of Mysore: Jan 2025)
 Zeenat Hussain, April 2016-June 2024 (Graduated)
 Supriya Bhandarkar, April 2017-June 2023 (Graduated)
 Prajeesh Karonnon, November 2016-Sep 2023 (Graduated)
 Dipak Mandal, April 2016-2022 (Graduated)
 Sneha Biswas, April 2017-March 2022 (Graduated)
 Raju Sarkar, April 2015-June 2022 (Graduated)
 Darshini, J.S., November 2016-Jan 2020 (Graduated)
 Pratap Singh, November 2016-May 2019 (Graduated)
 Chaya Ravishankar, November 2014-Dec 2018 (Graduated).

Mentoring of international doctoral and post-doctoral scholars

Aman Banerji, Ph.D. student, Cornell University, USA, as part of American Institute of Indian Studies, Jan 2024.

Zhumin (Helen) Xu, Founder, *City Culture Lab*, Paris, France, June-Aug 2022.

Matteo del Fabbro, Post—doctoral scholar, Politecnico di Milano, Milan, Italy, February 2026.

Swarupa Deb, Post—doctoral scholar, March 2024-current (Topic: A Study on Assessing Trans-inclusivity of Urban Housing and Public Transit Programmes in Bengaluru)

External examiner for Ph.D. students in India

External expert member, Research Doctoral Committee, Thesis entitled “Digital Financial Inclusion and the Access Usage Gap in India: Determinants, Structural Barriers, and Developmental Outcomes,” by Santosh Kumar, National Institute of Technology, Bhopal, June 30, 2026.

External examiner, Thesis titled “Municipal finance and its implications for public amenities in the post Seventy Fourth Constitution Amendment period: A case study of Howrah Municipal corporation” by Sanjay Kumar Pandey, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi, February 2024.

External examiner, Thesis titled "Resources Use Change and Livelihood Practices: A Study on Peri Urbanisation in Bangalore, Karnataka" by Meghana Eswar, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, July 2023. Viva: December 12, 2023 (online).

External Examiner, Comprehensive Viva-Voce, 5 Ph.D. scholars, National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli, March 9, 2020.

Member, Research Advisory Committee, Ph.D. thesis on Skills, industrial mix and urbanization in the Indian context, Himangshu Kumar, Ph.D. student, Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram, October 2019.

Invited member, Final Viva Voce Board, Vinita Paikra, Doctoral student, School of Planning & Architecture, Bhopal, October 1, 2019.

External examiner, Ph.D. thesis on Assessment of Urban Finance: A Study of Pune Municipal Corporation (PMC) and Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation (PCMC), by Gargi Patil, Symbiosis International (Deemed University), Pune, October 2019-April 2020.

External examiner, Ph.D. dissertation on Methodology for Identification of Determinants Influencing Residential Water Consumption in Indian City. School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal, August 2018, Viva: Oct 1, 2019.

Invited expert, Review of progress of post-doctoral project on *Development induced displacement*, Christ University, February 21, 2018.

Member, Board of Examiners, Municipal Solid Waste Management Services, Efficient Delivery Mechanism and Household Choice, by Somdutta Banerjee, University of Calcutta, Department of Economics, September 2016.

Member, Panel of Dissertation Examiners and External Examiner for Viva Voce, Doctoral dissertation on "*Legal aspects of supply of land for urban development – a case study of Gujarat*", CEPT University, Ahmedabad, September 2016, March 31, 2017, September 2017.

Member, Comprehensive Examination Board of B.R.Naveen, Ph.D. student, Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, July 1, 2016.

GUIDANCE TO INTERNS

Tharun, C, University of Hyderabad, June-July 2026.
Vipin Yadav, Benares Hindu University, June-July 2025.
Darshini Srinivasan, Mt.Carmel College, Bengaluru, May-July 2024.
Arnav Channahalli, Babson College, Boston, USA, December 2023-Jan 2024.
Abhinav Subramanian, Symbiosis School of Economics, May-July 2023.
Hitaishi Shivaram, Christ University, June-July 2022.
Adi Pranav, Pune University, May-July 2021.
Ravi Ankush, TISS Hyderabad, May-June 2019.
Rakshantha Rao, TISS Hyderabad, May-June 2018.
Perna Prasad, Mount Carmel College, Bangalore, May-June 2017.
Sudhanshu Minz, Madras School of Economics, May-July 2016.
Nirupama Jayaraman, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, June-July 2015.
Shahnaz Basheer, Central University of Karnataka, June-July 2015.
Akwasi Ampofo, University of Madras, Chennai, June –July 2014.
S.Punitha, Public Affairs Centre, November 2012-February 2013.
Bindu Doddahatti, JSS Law College, Mysore, Dec 2012-Jan 2013.
Nayantara Ranganathan, National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata, June 2011.
Lawrence Coffey, University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, USA, October-November 2010.
Adoksh Shastri, Christ University School of Law, Bangalore, November 2010.
Lars Forjahn, University of Heidelberg, Germany, February-April 2009.
Puneeth Nagaraj, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad, November-December 2009.
Sriram Trikutam, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, June-July 2008.

TESTIMONIALS, HONORARY POSITIONS AND CONSULTANCY WITH NATIONAL, MULTILATERAL AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Testimonial for *Development Charges: Funding Urban Infrastructure in India and the Global South*, by Shishir Mathur, Cambridge University Press, 2024.
- Honorary visiting professor, Impact Policy and Research Institute (IMPRI), New Delhi, Jan 2024-current.
- Resource person, Rethinking cities for resilience and growth in the post Covid-19 world, *Asian Development Bank Institute*, May-June 2022.
- Urban Economist, *Asian Development Bank*, September 2020-February 2021.
- India Economist, Urbanization – Key Indicators for Asia and the Pacific 2018, *Asian Development Bank*, September 2018-July 2019.
- India Expert, Comparative urbanization in India and the People’s Republic of China, *Asian Development Bank and Asian Development Bank Institute*, Oct 2013-2017.
- India Expert and Country Economist for project on Addressing Knowledge and Statistical Gaps in Relation to Poverty Reduction, Inequality, and Inclusive Growth, *Asian Development Bank*, November 2013-August 2014
- Resource person, Knowledge Product on Inclusive Urban Development for South Asia, *Asian Development Bank*, December 2013-July 2014
- Senior advisor, GDN (Global Development Network) project on *Urbanization and Development*, August 2012-February 2013
- India Country Expert for project on Green Urbanization in Asia, *Asian Development Bank*, March-June 2012
- Consultant, *Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore*, Singapore, December 2008-July 2009
- Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Consultant, Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD), Government of India, External Evaluation of the World Bank-sponsored District Primary Education Program (DPEP), 2002-03.
- Sridhar, Kala Seetharam. Participation in Oxfam (India) Trust’s *Urban Poverty Research Program*, Lucknow, India, July 2000.

REVIEW FOR JOURNALS/APPOINTMENT ON COMMITTEES

- Member, Board of Studies, Alliance Ascent College, Alliance University, Bengaluru, March 2026-current (First meeting: March 28, 2026).
- Member, *Expert Group Committee, Government of Karnataka*, to develop policy for a circular economy for solid and liquid waste management, February 2026 (first meeting: Feb 25, 2026).
- Managing Editor, *Journal of Social and Economic Development (Springer)*, 2022-current.
- Member, Board of Studies, Development Studies, University of Mysore, December 2022-2025.
- External member, Research Advisory Committee, *Child Development Programmes and Schemes in Urban Local Bodies in Karnataka: Implications for Child Budget of Government of Karnataka*, Fiscal Policy Institute, Government of Karnataka, Aug 2022.
- Member, *Institutional Research Advisory Board (RAB)*, Mt.Carmel College Autonomous, July 2022-2024.
- Member, Editorial Advisory Board, *Area Development and Policy* (Taylor & Francis), January 2022-24.
- Member, Editorial Board, *Urban India* (published by India’s National Institute of Urban Affairs), December 2018.
- Review Editor, and Member, Editorial Board, *Urban Science (Frontiers)*, February 2017.
- Expert Member, Chapters on "Urban Development," and "Housing," *Government of Karnataka’s Economic Survey*, 2012-13, 2013-14.
- Member, *Expert Group Committee, Government of Karnataka*, to monitor the quality of Urban Development sector paper for the 12th Five Year Plan Approach Paper, January-July 2012.
- Nominated by Public Affairs Centre to the *IDRC Think Tank Initiative Exchange 2012: Enabling Success*, Cape Town, South Africa, June 16-18, 2012; Mysore, March 4-6, 2012.
- Member, *Karnataka JNNURM Community Participation Fund Sanction Committee*, September 2010.
- Advisor, *Public Affairs Foundation*, April 2008-March 2009.

- Editor, *Newsletter*, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India, 2003-08.
- Editor, *Working Paper Series*, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, India, 2003-04.

Referee for journals: *Urban Studies*, *Case Studies on Transport Policy* (Elsevier), *Review of Development Economics*, *Urban Sustainability* (Nature Portfolio Journal (NPJ)), *Annals of Regional Science*, *Journal of Urban Management* (Elsevier), *Sustainable Cities and Society* (Elsevier), *Letters in Spatial and Resource Sciences* (Springer Verlag), *Regional Science Policy & Practice* (Elsevier), *Cities* (Elsevier), *Journal of European Economic Association*, *Urbanisation* (Sage), *Regional Studies*, *Environment and Urbanization Asia* (Sage), *Journal of Regional Science*, *Review of Development and Change* (Sage), *Journal of Social and Economic Development* (Springer), *Area Development and Policy* (Routledge), *Frontiers in Built Environment: Urban Science*, *Urban Studies*, *Social Change*, *Journal of Housing and the Built Environment* (Springer), *Review of Development and Change* (Sage), *Journal of Social and Economic Development* (Springer), *Area Development and Policy* (Routledge), *Regional Science Policy & Practice* (Wiley), *Frontiers in Built Environment: Urban Science*, *Social Change*, *Cities* (Elsevier), *Journal of Housing and the Built Environment* (Springer), *Urban India*, *Housing Policy Debate*, *Developments in the Built Environment* (Elsevier); *Singapore Economic Review*, *Frontiers of Architectural Research* (Elsevier), *Science of the Total Environment* (Elsevier), *Land Use Policy* (Elsevier), *Urban Research and Practice* (Taylor & Francis), *International Journal of Urban & Regional Research*, *Growth and Change: A Journal of Urban and Regional Policy*, *International Development Planning Review*, *China Economic Review* (Elsevier) *Special issue on Urbanization in China*, *Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance* (QREF) (Elsevier), *Journal of the Asia Pacific Economy* (Routledge) *Special issue on Escaping the Middle Income Trap*, *Journal of Sustainable Urbanization, Planning and Progress*, *Review of Development and Change* (Madras Institute of Development Studies), *China Report* (Sage), *International Journal of Urban Sustainable Development* (Taylor & Francis), *Review of Urban and Regional Urban Development Studies* (Wiley), *Regional Science and Urban Economics* (Elsevier), *State and Local Government Review* (Sage), *Geographical Analysis* (Wiley), *Applied Geography* (Elsevier), *Economic Change and Restructuring* (Springer), *Vikalpa* (Sage), *Margin* (National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER)), *Sage Open*

Referee for book publishers: *Springer*, *Routledge*, *Oxford University Press*, *Sage*

Other referee roles: *Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) IMPRESS (Impactful Policy Research in Social Sciences) reports*, 2022
ICSSR IMPRESS Proposals 2018, 2019
Observer Research Foundation, 2021
Fulbright-Nehru Fellowship program, 2025, 2024, 2021-22, 2019-2020
Expert Panel Member, City Manager's Association of Karnataka Best Practices Documentation Award Program 2017-18
Azim Premji University Research Grants Program 2017 (Development and Sustainability)
World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty 2017
International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA)'s Peccei & Mikhalevich Awards, 2015
Member, Institutional Research Advisory Board, Mt. Carmel College Autonomous, Bangalore, 2022
Reviewer, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant Program, FY 1999, FY 2008, FY 2011
Reviewer, 2011 Global Development Awards and Medals Competition (Theme: Urbanization and Development), *Global Development Network*, February-March 2012

SERVICE ACTIVITY AT ISEC

- Director-in-Charge, ISEC, June 15, 2022; July 20-21, 2022; December 20-21, 2022; Nov 9-10, 2023; March 22, 2024; April 23, 2024; Oct 3, 2025, December 8, 2025; December 11-12, 2025.
- Vice-Chairperson, Academic Programmes Committee, July 2024-June 2026.
- Vice-Chairperson, Research Programmes Committee, June 2020-June 2022.
- Member, ISEC Ethics Committee, Sep 2022-Sep 2024.

- Fulbright Campus Representative, Institute for Social and Economic Change, January 2019-April 2020.
- Presiding Officer, Internal Complaints Committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, January 2015-Dec 2016; March 2019-July 2020; July 2024-2026.
- External Member, Centre for Ecological Economics and Natural Resources, Institute for Social and Economic Change, September 2023-2024.
- External Member, Centre for Human Resource Development, Institute for Social and Economic Change, September 2018-2023.
- Member, Development studies committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, June-September 2016.
- Member, Purchase committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, June 2016-2018.
- Chairperson, ISEC Founders' Day Cultural Events Committee, January 2015.
- Director's Special Nominee, Sir Ratan Tata Trust Committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, November 2016-2024; January-March 2015.
- Member, Research Programmes Committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, June 2014-present.
- Member, Academic Programmes Committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, June 2014-present.
- Member, Library Committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, June 2014-present.
- Member, Supervisors' Committee, Institute for Social and Economic Change, June 2014-present.
- Referee, *ISEC Post-Doctoral Research Programme*
- Referee, *ISEC Working Paper Series*

SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Member, Regional Studies Association, 2019; Member, Regional Science Association International (RSAI), 2018