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Brief Academic/Professional Biography

Sharmistha Sinha is an economist specializing in labour, development and gender issues with 7 years of professional experience and 8 years of research experience. Her research areas include employment, skill development, poverty, livelihoods, governance, gender based discrimination, unpaid work, skewed sex ratio, health economics and others with progressive accomplishment in research, analytical skills and policy advocacy. She teaches Post Graduate Courses and Advanced Diploma Courses in Human Resource Planning and Development in the Institute. Prior to joining NILERD, she has worked with the Ministry of Women and Child Development as Senior Research Officer. She has also worked with the UNWOMEN and the International Labour Organization, DWT-South Asia.

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1. Fellow, International Working Group on Gender and Macroeconomics 2012, Krakow, Poland.
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Research/Assignments/Project involved in

1. Low female employment in a period of high growth: Insights from Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat, commissioned by International Labour Organization.
2. A study on Employment and Growth Prospects of Labour Intensive Manufacturing Sectors in

<p>India, Planning Commission, Govt. of India.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. A study of the Credit Constraints faced by Small and Medium Enterprises in India, Planning Commission, Government of India. 4. Skill Gap Analyses and Monitoring & Evaluation, Supporting Human Capital Development in Meghalaya, commissioned by the Asian Development Bank.
<p>Publications</p>
<p>A. Research Articles</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Santosh Mehrotra, Jajati Keshari Parida, Sharmistha Sinha and Ankita Gandhi, “Explaining Employment Trends in the Indian Economy: 1993-4 to 2011-12”, <i>Economic and Political Weekly</i>, vol XLIX no 32, August 9, 2014. 2. Sinha, Sharmistha and Kavita (forthcoming), “Critical gender concerns in MGNREGA”, Tiwari (ed.), <i>MGNREGA and Gender Equity</i>, Cambridge Scholars Publication, London, UK 3. Sinha Sharmistha (2013), “Through the streets of her Krakow”, <i>Economic and Political Weekly</i>, Vol XLVIII, No. 38, September 21, 2013. 4. Sinha, Sharmistha (2011), “Female unpaid work in India – need for public intervention” in Sigamani and Khan (eds.), <i>Public Policy Reforms on Development: Challenges before Emerging Economies</i>, Macmillan Publishers, India 5. Sinha, Sharmistha (2011), “Nature and Trends of Female Unpaid Work in India” in Cuzzocrea and Laws (eds.), <i>Value of Work: Updates on old issues</i>, Inter-Disciplinary Press, Oxford, UK. 6. Sinha, Sharmistha (forthcoming), “Self-employment among rural women in India: A Focus on Family Helpers”, Chapter 9, <i>Globalization, Agrarian economy and Environmental Challenges in India</i>, Chattopdhyay, Bhattacharya and Haldar (eds), Concept Publications, New Delhi. 7. Sinha, Sharmistha (forthcoming), “Female employment and the Planning process in India”- Challenging Laws, <i>Changing Laws: Feminism in the Subcontinent and Beyond</i>, Eastern Book House, Lucknow.
<p>B. Working Papers</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mehrotra, Santosh Sharmistha Sinha, Jajati K. Parida and Ankita Gandhi (2014), “Why a Jobs Turnaround Despite Slowing Growth?” Occasional Paper 1/2014, Institute of Applied Manpower Research, New Delhi.
<p>C. Books/ Reports/Monographs</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mehrotra, S., P. Saha, A. Gandhi, K. Devi and Sharmistha Sinha (2013), “Low female employment in a period of high growth: Insights from a Primary Survey in Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat”, International Labour Organization, DWT-South Asia. 2. Sinha, Sharmistha (2013), A Scheme without Clarity, October 31, 2013, The Hindu 3. Sinha Sharmistha (2014), Bound Feet, February 17, 2014, The Telegraph
<p>Workshops/Conferences</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presented with Dr. Santosh Mehrotra a paper “Low and Declining Female Labour Force Participation in India: the way forward” at International Conference on Labouring Women: Some major concerns at the current juncture, Jawaharlal Nehru University in partnership with UNWOMEN, CBGA and ICSSR, New Delhi, July 2014 2. Presented with Dr. Santosh Mehrotra a paper “India Human Development Report 2011: Water and Sanitation” at National Seminar on India Human Development Report 2011 –

Revisiting Policies / Programmes for Women and Children, New Delhi, March 2014

3. Presented a paper “Female employment and the Planning process in India” at International Conference on Feminism and the Law: Revisiting the Past, Rethinking the Present and Thinking the Way Forward”, ILS Law College, in partnership with the Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales and the Faculty of Law, University of Technology, Sydney, Pune, February 2012.
4. Presented a paper “Gender based wage differentials in different sectors in India”; in the Annual Conference of Indian Society of Labour Economics, December 2012.
5. Presented a paper “Nature and Trends of Female Unpaid Work in India” at the 1st Global Conference on ‘Value of Work’ organized by Inter-Disciplinary Net at Prague, Czech Republic, November 2010.