

Brief Curriculum Vitae:

I. PERSONAL DATA:

Name: Swarna Sadasivam Vepa

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EDUCATION: Ph.D. in Economics -- 1994

Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics,
Delhi University, Delhi-11007, India (CDE fellowship)

Degree	Subject	Year	Institution
Ph. D	Pulses crops	1994	Delhi University (Dept. of Eco)
M. A	App. Eco*	1968	Andhra University **

** Secured a Second Rank in the University

*Specialization in Agricultural Economics

- 1. Fields of research expertise:** Wellbeing gaps across social groups, Food and Nutrition security, Gender issues, Rain fed agriculture, Contemporary issues in Agriculture.
- 2. Teaching: courses taught** Development Economics, Agricultural Economics, and Indian Economic Development, (Graduate Courses) Microeconomics, Macro Economics, Development economics, Indian economy (Undergraduate courses) Ecological economics- Introductory course

Present Position: 1. Visiting Professor: Madras School of Economics (MSE) Chennai, India. 2. Independent Development Economics consultant

January 2008 -till now: Teaching one semester courses in Development economics, and Indian Economic Development at MSE. Supervised over 25 graduate dissertations. I am currently teaching Indian Economic development and Development Economics courses to graduate students at Madras school of economics.

I am also currently teaching Macroeconomics course at Indian Institute of Foreign Trade to the students of Integrated program in management at their Andhra Pradesh Campus.

Ongoing research: Agricultural prosperity in Rural and semi-Urban areas of India and its links to child nutrition. Extension of Vepa, Swarna Sadasivam, Manasa Veturi, "Agriculture and child nutrition in India: A policy Perspective, Seminar paper presented at the twelfth biennial conference of Indian Society of ecological Economics held in February 2024

- **March 2021- October 2022 - Consultant at the Institute for Development studies, Visakhapatnam.** Associated with Sustainable natural farming and other projects of Andhra Pradesh.
- **April 2016 to Feb 2021 –Consultant (full time Consulting position till 2018 and part time thereafter) at the Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS), Hyderabad.** Submitted detailed reports on social groups of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. Taught Development studies courses to pre- Ph. D students.
- **February 2012 to May 2015, Research Director/Lead Economist (Full time Consulting position):** Leveraging Agriculture for Nutrition' (LANSA) project funded by

DFID (UK AID) – at M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation MSSRF, Chennai. Involved in research project proposal preparation, organization, and management.

- **January 2010 – February 2012 – Independent Consultant to United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia Pacific (UNESCAP), Bangkok** to draft a report on Food security in the Asia Pacific region and worked as a **consultant to Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi**, to develop a course in Ecological Economics
- **January 2008 – January 2010 Visiting Professor (full time position) at Madras School of Economics, Chennai** - teaching and working on projects.
- **February 2000- January 2008: Director -Food security/ Ford Foundation Chair (full time position), M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF), Chennai-Worked** on several projects funded by World Food Program, Work involved field visits, report writing, seminar presentations to funding agencies and policy advocacy at State Capitals.
- **1996- 2000 - International Education Institute –Dubai:** Senior Lecturer –Teaching graduate and undergraduate students
- **1995-1996 - Senior economist, Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry, New Delhi**
- **1994-1996 - Associate Professor, Indian Economic Service, Institute of Economic Growth, University enclave, Delhi:**
- **1991-1994 – Lecturer, Shriram college of Commerce, Delhi University:** Taught Macroeconomics and Indian economy to undergraduate students
- **1989-1991 - lecturer - Delhi college of Arts and Commerce: Delhi University,** Taught Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and development economics
- **1990-1994 Ph. D Scholar Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics,** The Ph. D work was carried out along with teaching in Delhi University affiliated colleges. Worked on the thesis titled “**Pulses in India**” and submitted the thesis in 1994.
- **1984 -1991 Research Scholar: (CDE Research fellowship) Delhi School of Economics:** Submitted term papers on 1. Pulses crops of India and 2. Income distribution in agriculture, in lieu of M. Phil and started on the Ph. D work.
- **1980-1983 Research associate - Institute of Financial Management and Research, Chennai.** Worked on a World bank Project on Poverty alleviation and employment generating Schemes.
- **1970- 1977 Research Assistant and Research scholar - U G C Fellowship, Department of Economics, University of Bombay-** A study named **Income Distribution in Agriculture: Causes and conflicts** was completed – Latter submitted to Delhi school of Economics as one of the term papers in lieu of M.Phil.

Selected Publications

Books:

1. **Vepa Swarna S (2020) Book-** (edited) “**Agriculture, Undernutrition and Public provisioning – Impact on women and children in India**” was published by **Tylor and Francis London, New York** in June 2020. Six out of the eight chapters are authored/co-authored by Swarna Sadasivam Vepa
2. **Swarna Sadasivam Vepa (2009) (Book)** “**Bearing the Brunt- Impact of rural distress on women**” **Sage India Publishers**

Journal Articles

3. **Vepa, Swarna Sadasivam, and Darshana Prakash (2021)** “**Repealed farm legislations, Minimum Support price and Food Security**” **Socio Legal Review**, National Law School of India, University, Bengaluru, ISSN No. 0973 -5216, December 18, 2021
4. **Vepa, Swarna Sadasivam (2020)** "Gaps in the Wellbeing of Scheduled Tribes in Andhra Pradesh." **repository.tribal.gov.in** (also available in Google Scholar)
5. **Vepa, Swarna Sadasivam (2019)** "Political Economy of Social Exclusion and Inclusion." **American Review of Political Economy** 14.1 (2019).
6. **Vepa, Swarna Sadasivam, and Rohit Parasar (2018)** "Social Group and Wellbeing in Andhra Pradesh." **IASSI Quarterly** 37, no. 1 (2018).
7. **Swarna Sadasivam Vepa, et.al, (2016)** (Book chapter) “**Women’s Agency and Child Underweight rates in India in the context of Agriculture: A district level analysis**, A chapter in a book edited by Sonalde Desai, Amit Thorat, Deepta Chopra and Lawrence Haddad titled **Undernutrition in India and Public policy**, **Routledge Publishers** January 2016
8. **Swarna Sadasivam Vepa, et.al, (2015)** **Child Underweight and Agricultural Productivity in India: Implications for Public Provisioning**, **Review of Radical Political Economy**, Volume 47, Number 4, Dec 2015 Sage USA
9. **Swarna Sadasivam Vepa and Getsi David (2015)** “**Changing Urban Food Consumption Patterns in the Context of Globalization: The case of India**” in the Book “**Food Production and Eating Habits from Around the World: A Multidisciplinary Approach**” by Francisco Entrena-Duran (Department of Sociology, University of Granada, Granada, Spain) 2015 **Nova Publications New York**

10. **M. S. Swaminathan and Swarna S. Vepa (2012) “How can India help prevent Food Price Volatility?”**, IDS Bulletin, Institute of Developmental Studies, Brighton, U. K., Volume 43, July 2012, Special issue.
11. **Swarna S. Vepa (2008) “Technology adoption and micro finance – Micro enterprises run by women in India**, Tech monitor Asia Pacific Journal, March April- 2008.
12. **Swarna Sadasivam Vepa (2007) (Book chapter) “The Feminization of Agriculture and the Marginalization of Women’s Economic Stake”**, in Gender, Food Security, and Rural Livelihoods, edited by Maithreyi Krishnaraj, Stree Publications 2007
13. **Swarna S. Vepa (2007) “Gender equity and human development”**, Indian Journal of Medical Research 126, October 2007, pp 328-340
14. **Swarna S. Vepa (2005) “Is hunger real or imaginary?”** Economic Times, 6th July 2007
15. **Swarna S. Vepa (2005) “Feminization of Agriculture and marginalization of their Economic Stake”** Economic and Political Weekly, Vol. XL, No. 25, June 18, 2005
16. **Swarna Sadasivam Vepa (2004) “Support of the Vulnerable”** in IRDA Journal, published by Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India, January 2004
17. **Swarna S. Vepa, “Carbon Trading under Kyoto Protocol –vital for restoring forests” –** Hindu Business Line, December 26, 2002
18. **Swarna S. Vepa, (2002) “Food availability and Food Access in Rural India” –** Productivity - Journal of the National Productivity Council, Vol.43, No.1–April –June 2002.
19. **Swarna S. Vepa (1993) "Price and Non-price factors in Input use and Output supply-A case study of gram in Uttar Pradesh, " --** The Indian Economic Review, No.1, Vol. XXVIII, Jan-June 1993.
20. **Swarna S. Vepa (1989) “Pattern of Pulses Production in India-- An analysis of growth trends”-** --Economic and Political Weekly, December 23-30, 1989