

Curriculum vitae

AMIT KUMAR BASANTARAY

Personal Details

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Professional Qualifications

- PhD in Economics (2019) from School of Economics, University of Hyderabad; Title of the Thesis- Crop Diversification in Odisha Agriculture: An Empirical Study of its Extent, Pattern, Determinants and Impact on Farm Income
- MPhil in Economics (2009) from School of Economics, University of Hyderabad; Title of the Thesis- Exchange Rate and Exports Growth: A Study of India in the Post Liberalization Period
- MA in Economics (2007) from Department of A & A Economics, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha
- BA in Economics (2005) from Bhadrak (Autonomous) College, Affiliated to Fakir Mohan University, Balasore, Odisha

Employment History

- Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala (from November 14, 2025 to Present)
- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala (from November 14, 2012 to November 13, 2025)

Invited Seminars and Invited Conference Presentations (last 5 years)

- School of Commerce and Management Studies, CUHP
- Department of Social Work, CUHP
- Department of History, CUHP
- ICDEOL, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla
- ICSSR and Central University of Himachal Pradesh
- ICSSR and Central University of Punjab
- Teacher's Education, Dharamshala

- Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, EXIM Bank, and ICSSR
- Kendriya Vidyalaya, Bankikhet, Himachal Pradesh
- Learning Centre at the Central University of Punjab, Bathinda under Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNTT) of the MHRD, Govt. of India

Professional Contributions (last 5 years)

- Reviewer, Journal of Agribusiness in Developing and Emerging Economies
- Reviewer, Humanities and Social Science Communications
- Reviewer, Agricultural Research
- Reviewer, Agriculture and Food Research
- Reviewer, Discover Sustainability
- Reviewer, Agricultural Research
- Reviewer, Millennial Asia
- Reviewer, Environment Development and Sustainability
- Reviewer, Economic and Regional Studies
- Reviewer, Discover Agriculture
- Reviewer, Agricultural Economics

Teaching

- Development Economics
- Statistical Methods
- Econometrics I
- Econometrics II
- Mathematics for Economists
- Research Methodology

Research Interest

- Agricultural Economics
- Food and Nutritional Security
- Rural Transformation & Sustainable Development

Doctoral Thesis Supervision [Awarded]

- Shailesh Acharya, PhD Batch 2020 [PhD awarded in 2026]

Doctoral Thesis Supervision [In Progress]

- Anuj Kumar, PhD Batch 2020 [Submission done]
- Nivedita Chauhan, PhD Batch 2020 [Ongoing]
- Smriti, PhD Batch 2021 [Ongoing]

University Administration

- Assistant Director, Sapt Sindhu Parisar, Training & Placement Cell, CUHP
- Member, Economics Society Committee of the Department
- Member, Industrial Tour Committee of the Department
- In charge, Training & Placement Cell of the Department
- Special Invitee, BoS of the Department
- Special Invitee, School Board

- In charge, Alumni Association Committee of the Department
- In charge, MoU Building Activities of the Department
- Convenor, Conference & Events Organization Committee of the Department
- Convenor, Committee regarding NIRF data compilation

Research Projects (Ongoing) and Income

Year	Funding Agency	Project title	Grant Amount
2021 (Completed)	National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), India	Food and Nutritional Security among Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes: Evidences from Three Indian States	₹ 10,69, 625
2025 (Ongoing)	Indian Council of Social Research (ICSSR, New Delhi)	Extent of Vulnerability, Sustainable Livelihood Strategies and their Outcomes among Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups	₹ 15,00, 000

Publications

Journal Articles:

Basantaray, A. K., Acharya, S., & Kumar, A. (in press). Supply side constraints of Nutri-cereals cultivation in India. *Economic and Political Weekly*.

Chauhan, N., Basantaray, A. K., Kumar, A., & Acharya, S. (in press). Women's nutrition in the North-Western Himalayan region of India. *Journal of Economic and Regional Studies*.

Sharma, H. R., Basantaray, A. K., & Malik, S. H. (2025). Income inequality among agricultural households in India. *Economic and Political Weekly*, 60(14), 42–49.

Sethi, S., Singh, M., & Basantaray, A. K. (2025). A macro–micro framework for predicting bank distress: Empirical insights. *Indian Economic Review* (Online first).

Kumar, A., & Basantaray, A. K. (2025). Understanding distress sales in Indian wheat markets: An empirical analysis of sub-MSP transactions and rural welfare implications. *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 80(3), 723–741.

Smriti & Basantaray, A. K. (2025). Research landscape of marginal and small farmers in India from 1975 to 2024: A bibliometric analysis. *Journal of Tropical Agriculture*, 63(I & II), 21–28.

Basantaray, A. K. (2025). Economics of subsistence farming: A comparative analysis of paddy–wheat and maize–wheat rotation cropping system in Himachal Pradesh. *Agricultural Reviews*, 46(2).

Basantaray, A. K., Acharya, S., & Patra, T. (2024). Crop diversification and income of

agricultural households in India: An empirical analysis. *Discover Agriculture*, 2, Article 19. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s44279-024-00019-0>

Sharma, H. R., Basantaray, A. K., & Acharya, S. (2023). Characteristics and performance of agricultural households diversifying to high value crops: Evidence from rural India. *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 78(3), 591–607.

Sahoo, P.K., Ray Rashmita, Basantaray, A.K. & Pradhan, Asutosh (2023). COVID-19 lockdown and vendors' business in smart city: Some observations from Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India. *Journal of Social Inclusion Studies*, 9(2), 1-20.

Basantaray, A. K. (2023). Is minimum support price effective in India? Evidence from state-wise paddy procurement. *Asian Journal of Agricultural Extension, Economics & Sociology*, 41(1), 53–65. <https://doi.org/10.9734/ajaees/2023/v41i11833>

Larzo, N., & Basantaray, A. K. (2022). Impact of modern milk processing plant on small-scale dairy farming: Some observations from Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. *International Journal of Current Research and Academic Review*, 10(3), 15–21.

Basantaray, A. K. (2022). Changing dynamics of Odisha agriculture: Implications for doubling of farmers' income by 2022–23. *Odisha Economic Journal*, 54(1), 92–105.

Paltasingh, K. R., Basantaray, A. K., & Jena, P. K. (2022). Land tenure security and farm efficiency in Indian agriculture: Revisiting an old debate. *Land Use Policy*, 114, 105955. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.landusepol.2021.105955>

Basantaray, A. K., & Paltasingh, K. R. & Birthal, P.S. (2022). Crop diversification, agricultural transition and farm income growth: Evidence from Eastern India. *Italian Review of Agricultural Economics*, 77(3), 55–65. <https://doi.org/10.36253/rea-13796>

Pradhan, A., Ray, R., Basantaray, A. K., & Sahoo, P. K. (2020). Is the COVID-19 crisis being handled effectively in Odisha? Some empirical observations. *Odisha Economic Journal*, 52(4), 109–128.

Sharma, K., & Basantaray, A. K. (2020). Is small-scale mulberry silk-worm rearing profitable? The experience of cocoon growers of Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh. *Gujarat Agricultural Universities Research Journal*, 45, 189–198.

Basantaray, A. K., & Nancharaiah, G. (2017). Relationship between crop diversification and farm income in Odisha—An empirical analysis. *Agricultural Economics Research Review*, 30, 45–58. <https://doi.org/10.5958/0974-0279.2017.00021.0>

Chapter(s) in Edited Books:

Mishra, D. K., Paltasingh, K. R., Senapati, A. K., & Basantaray, A. K. (2026). Towards a sustainable and equitable development of Odisha agriculture. In A. Das, K. Das, D. K. Mishra, &

U. S. Mishra (Eds.), Trajectories of development: Odisha@100. Routledge.

Basantaray, A. K., & Barik, A. (2015). Dejected Social Sector Development in India during the Reform Period: Trends, Patterns and Determinants. In H. S. Rout & P. Mishra (Eds.), Social Sector in India: Issues and Challenges (pp. 60–81). Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

E-Contents:

1. (2025) 'A Full 4-Credit Course titled Development Economics', CDOE, Central University of Himachal Pradesh
2. (2024) 'Definite Integrals', Odisha State Open University
3. (2024) 'Indefinite Integrals', Odisha State Open University
4. (2016) 'Revealed Preference Theory of Demand'. e-PG Pathshala, National Mission on Education through ICT, Ministry of Human Resource Development
5. (2016) 'Macroeconomic Aggregates and Concepts'. E-PG Pathshala, National Mission on Education through ICT, Ministry of Human Resource Development
6. (2016) 'Consumption and Investment'. e-PG Pathshala, National Mission on Education through ICT, Ministry of Human Resource Development

Presentations in Seminar/Conferences:

1. 85th annual conference of Indian Society of Agricultural Economics
2. Intersecting Identities and Economics of Discrimination Conference at School of Economics, University of Hyderabad
3. Agricultural Economics Research Association (AERA) Silver Jubilee Conference
4. 57th annual conference jointly organized by School of Economics, University of Hyderabad and The Indian Econometric Society (TIES) (2023)
5. 54th annual conference jointly organized by Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Katra, Jammu & Kashmir and The Indian Econometric Society (TIES) (2018)
6. 25th annual conference of Agricultural Economics Research Association (India) (2017)
7. Department of MBA, Government Post Graduate College, Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh (2014)
8. Department of Analytical and Applied Economics, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar (2013)
9. Department of Economics, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi in Collaboration with EXIM Bank and ICSSR (2009)

Orientation/Refresher Courses Completed:

1. NPTEL-AICTE FDP on Descriptive Statistics with R Software
2. SWAYAM ARPIT Online Course on Refresher Course in Economics
3. SWAYAM ARPIT Online Course on Data Analysis for Social Science Teachers
4. Training of Teachers' Programme (TOT), JLN degree college, Haripur, Manali, One Week September, 2019, NITTTTR, Bhopal (MP)

5. Orientation Course, HRDC, Utkal University
6. Refresher Course, HRDC, University of Hyderabad