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APARNA SONI

MASTER of URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING

BACHELOR of ARCHITECTURE



Career objective

Grow as an authoritative researcher and an academician.

Areas of Interest: Good Governance and institutional reformation; Corruption in land governance, land and regulatory framework in India.

ACADEMIC DETAILS

PhD (Part-time) August 2020 onwards	Department of Government and Public Policy (JSGP) O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU) Broad area of research: Urban land assembly: India
M. Plan. (Urban & Regional Planning) (July '10 – July '12)	Faculty of Planning and Public Policy, Centre for Environmental Planning and Technology (CEPT) University, Ahmedabad (Gujarat) Grades: 72.59 %
B.Arch. (July '05 –April '10)	School of Architecture and Planning, APEEJAY Institute of Technology Uttar Pradesh Technical University, G. NOIDA Grades: 73.85 %
Sr. Secondary	Loreto Convent, Lucknow ISC board Grades: 81.60 % (Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics)
High school	St. Agnes' Loreto Day School ICSE Board Grades: 87.50 %
Certificate Course LANDac 3 rd July to 14 th July 2017	Land Governance for Development Faculty of Geosciences Utrecht University

ACADEMIC PROJECTS

M. Plan Thesis	Guide: Prof. Dr. Dinesh Mehta	Topic: National Capital Territory Delhi Urban Governance – a critical comment on municipal corporation split
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SCHOLARLY ACHIEVEMENTS

Qualified Graduate Aptitude Test for Engineering -2010

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), New Delhi.

Research Officer

1st Aug. 2012 to March 2014

Project:

Chance 2 Sustain: (C2S)

Under:

Prof. Dr. N. Sridharan
HOD Regional Planning &

Prof. Dr. Isa Baud
University of Amsterdam

Project:

Germany and India:
Infinite opportunities

Indo German Mela 2012

27th Oct. to 4th Nov.
2012

Contribution to research on

Fiscal Decentralization, Participatory Processes & Inclusive

Development: available at <http://www.chance2sustain.eu/55.0.html>
(ISSN 2309-8201)

Contributions in research works:

- Field Report on Delhi - Political Participation and Devolution Dynamics (a study on Local area development funds in Delhi)
- Opinion paper- Mutated Governance, Political Participation and Development Dynamics: Case Study of Delhi
- Report on Spatial Knowledge management, Delhi. Case study on DSSDI (GSDL).
- City Report - Delhi

Connaught Place 2020 - a collaboration of South Asia Institute, SPA and Space bonding.

Presentation at the Indo- German Mela, exploring use of technology in inducing Participatory urban planning in the development of public city spaces – The case of Connaught Place.

EXPERIENCE IN CAPACITY BUILDING AND EXECUTIVE EDUCATION

RICS Training South Asia

1. Management Development program (MDP) to senior sales and marketing professionals.

2. Emerging Leaders Program to real estate and related young professionals

3. National Association of Realtors: Training module on

Content development and delivery

- Development Control Regulations and Building bylaws
- Property records/ information systems and its interpretations
- Development Appraisals- land markets, access and right over land
- Building byelaws and Basics of Urban planning and land assembly models
- Real Estate Land Laws
- Land Due Diligence

PUBLICATIONS

1. Dr. N. Sridharan, A. Soni., 2012. Opinion paper "Mutated Governance, Political Participation and Development Dynamics: Case Study of Delhi". Durban Chance 2 Sustain EADI research project.
2. Tathagata Chatterji, A. Soni., 2016. Positioning Urban Governance in Planning Pedagogy. In: A. Kumar, ed. Urban and Regional Planning Education. Singapore: Springer, pp. 61-77.
3. N. Sridharan, R. Ray, A. Soni., 2016. 'From Smart Agriculture to Smart Growth- a Case of Vijayawada Region'. In: T.M.V. Kumar, ed. Smart Economy in Smart Cities. Singapore: Springer, pp. 579 -597.
4. Soni, A. & Nanda, T. P., 2020. Land Pooling Models in India: Emerging Lessons, Delhi: India Land and Development Conference- 2020. Available @ <https://www.centerforland.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Land-in-India-2020-28-FEB-2020.pdf>
5. Bali, R. & Soni, A., 2020. Environment and Real Estate Conundrum – A Case of Okhla Bird Sanctuary. NAGARLOK, Vol LII (January- March 2020), pp. 68-89.

CONFERENCE PAPER PRESENTATIONS

1. Presented a paper titled 'Negotiated Acquisition or Direct Purchase: An inquiry' at the 4th India Land and Development Conference (ILDC 2020), New Delhi, 2nd March to 4th March 2020.
2. Presented a paper titled 'Experiments of Urban Land Supply and Development: India' at the World Bank Land and Poverty Conference, Washington D.C. 25th to 28th March 2019.
3. Co-presented a paper titled 'Speculating Governance: The New Normal?' at the India Land and Development Conference (ILDC 2019): Partnership for enhanced Inclusion and Impact 12-14th March 2019, New Delhi.
4. Presented a paper titled 'Urban Vulnerability-Land based conflicts' at the 2nd International conference India Land and Development (ILDC 2018), New Delhi. 19-21 February 2018
5. Presented a research work titled 'India Realty impediments: the land, policy and plan baste (a case of Okhla Bird Sanctuary) at the '21st AsRES (The Asian Real Estate Society) Annual Conference 2016, Bangalore, India. 13-15th July 2016.
6. Co-presented the research work for the project Chance 2 Sustain: 'When periphery Becomes the Core - Configuring planning Strategies and complexities of Capital City Delhi' at the 14th EADI General conference 23-26th June 2014, Bonn
7. Presented a paper on 'urban governance and institutional conflicts corridors going beyond cities and city regions' at the Corridors, City Regions and Cities in Urban and Regional Development an International Seminar by School of Planning and Architecture – Vijayawada, on the 22nd November 2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal

Department of Urban and Regional Planning

Assistant Professor

18th November 2020 onwards

Programs taught:

- Master of Urban & Regional Planning
- Bachelor of planning

Subjects Taught:

- Appreciation of Built Environment
- Housing and Community planning

RICS School of Built Environment

Department of Real estate and Urban Infrastructure (REUI)

Assistant professor

18th June 2015 to 17th November 2020

Programs taught:

- Master of Real Estate and Urban Infrastructure Management
- Bachelor of Real Estate and Urban Infrastructure Management

Theory subjects taught:

- Land and Regulatory Framework for Built Environment
- Real Estate Market Dynamics
- Basics of Urban planning and Development

Administrative duties accomplished:

- BBA program co-ordination
- Member of the knowledge management vertical- publication of monthly city reports and school newsletters

Students' Affairs: Student Learning, Innovation and Networking Group [S.L.I.N.G] In-charge

School of Planning and Architecture, Vijayawada

Department of Planning

Assistant professor

22nd August 2013 to 31st May 2015

Programs taught:

- Master of Urban Planning
- Bachelor of planning

Theory Subjects taught:

- Urban and Regional Governance
- Environmental Law, Policy and Governance
- Introduction to Urban and Regional planning

Administrative duties accomplished:

- Warden of the Ladies hostel (2013 to 2015)

ENGAGEMENTS AS GUEST/VISITING FACULTY:

1. Visiting faculty at Jamia Milia Islamia University, Department of Ekistics since August 2016
2. Visiting faculty at SPA Delhi in the department of Urban Planning since August 2016
3. External examiner to 'The Design Village' Institute
4. Guest lecture at the NIRMA University, Institute of Architecture and Planning

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Place of birth	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
Linguistic Proficiency	Good written, read and spoken Hindi and English
Software Skills	AutoCAD, Sketch Up, Photoshop, Microsoft office
Hobbies	Singing and Drama/theatre.

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