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Qualification

- Ph.D. (Economics) from Centre for Economic Studies and Planning (CESP), Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) on *Economic Liberalisation, Technological Changes and Growth in Selected Developing Countries*. Supervisor: Prof. Sunanda Sen
- M.Phil (Economics) from CESP, JNU, on *Import Liberalisation for Export Promotion in India during the Eighties*. Supervisor: Prof. Sunanda Sen
- M.A. (Economics) from Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune.
- Obtained First Division throughout the career.

Research-work Experience

More than twenty two years. Joined RIS in January 1990.

Research Specialization

International Economics and Development Economics; Regional Economic Integration, especially in South Asia, S-E Asia and East Asia; Rules of origin; Interlinkages among Trade, Growth and Technology; Trade in Services and WTO GATS.

Quantitative Techniques and Softwares

Expertise in econometrics and statistics; and softwares: E-Views, Stata and GTAP- CGE Modelling.

Special Achievements

- *Alumnus of the Programme 'Presidential Friends of Indonesia'*

Participated in this Programme from India as a State Guest of the President of Indonesia and visited Bali, Jakarta and Bogor on 13-19 August 2009.

- *Alumnus of US Department of State IVLP*

Participated in the International Visitors Leadership Program (IVLP) on 'US Trade Policy' organized by the US Department of State at Washington DC, New York City, Minneapolis, Seattle and Chicago in October-November 2006.

- *Certificate of Appreciation*

Received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Minister of Planning and Development, Government of Maldives, for conducting a Training Programme on *Macroeconomic Forecasting* (sponsored by the Commonwealth Secretariat) for the Maldivian Government Officers in Male (2005).

- *Scholarships*

National Merit Scholarship (1982); State Inter-Merit Scholarship (1982); National Merit Scholarship (1986).

Professional Experience

Handled research projects of the SAARC Secretariat, UNDP, UNESCAP, ILO, SPF, JEF, ADBI, World Bank, ADB, ERIA, Commonwealth Secretariat, various Think-Tank institutions and different Ministries of the Government of India.

Policy Advice: Inter-governmental Committees / Expert Groups

- India-Maldives Economic Cooperation: High- Level Policy Dialogue
- Steering Committee, South Asia Forum, SAARC Secretariat
- Expert Group on SAARC Agreement on Trade in Services (SATIS)
- South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA) Committee of Experts
- Working Group on South Asian University
- Track II Study Group on Comprehensive Economic Partnership Arrangement for East Asia (CEPEA)
- India-Australia Joint Study Group (JSG) on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA)
- India-New Zealand Joint Study Group (JSG) on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA)
- Focal Point for 'Working Group on Trade' under India-Indonesia JSG on 'India- Indonesia CECA'
- India-Indonesia Joint Study Group (JSG) on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA)
- India-Malaysia Joint Study Group (JSG) on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA)
- Trade Negotiating Committee on India – ASEAN FTA
- Joint Negotiating Group on India and Thailand FTA
- Joint Working Group between India and Thailand on “A Feasibility Study on a Free Trade Agreement between India and Thailand”
- Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Government of India.
- Committee on Cross-Border Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Govt. of India

Experience in Inter-governmental Negotiations between India and Other Countries

- Participated in the “Eighth Meeting of the Expert Group on SAARC Agreement on Trade in Services” organized by SAARC Secretariat, Kathmandu, Nepal, 16-19 January, 2012.
- Participated in High-Level meetings on “India-Maldives Economic Cooperation”, April, June, and October, 2011 Male`, Maldives.
- Participated in the meeting of the “Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Organized by Ministry of Commerce and Industry, June 11, 2010, New Delhi.
- ‘Economic Cooperation among East Asia Summit Members, submitted to Prime Minister’s Office, Government of India, 2009.
- Participated in the Adoption Meeting of ‘India-Indonesia JSG’ organized by the Governments of India and Indonesia, September 15, 2009, Jakarta.
- Participated in the meeting of ‘EAS: Senior Economic Officials Meeting’ organized by the ASEAN Secretariat, September 16, 2009, Jakarta.
- Participated in meeting of ‘National SAARC Award Committee (NSAC)’, organized by Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, 9 July, 2009.
- Participated in India-ASEAN Working Group Meeting and India-ASEAN SOM, 28 April 2009 and 29 April 2009, respectively at New Delhi.
- Participated in the Meeting of India-Indonesia JSG, New Delhi, March 16, 2009.
- Participated in the meeting on ‘India-New Zealand JSG’ between Trade and Commerce Ministers of New Zealand and India, February 12, 2009.
- Participated in the Meeting of India- Australia Joint Study Group on CECA, held in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, New Delhi on 11-12 August 2008.
- Participated in the Meeting on India- Indonesia Joint Study Group on CECA held in Batam, Indonesia on 24-25 July, 2008.

- Submitted *Draft SAFTA Framework Agreement on Trade in Services (SAFAS)* to SAARC Secretariat as mandated by the SAARC Council of Ministers, July 2008.
- Participated in the Meeting on South Asian University, SAARC Secretariat, June 17, 2008, New Delhi.
- Participated in the Second India-New Zealand JSG Meeting on 'India-New Zealand CECA' Auckland, May 23, 2008.
- Participated in the Second India-Indonesia JSG Meeting on 'India-Indonesia CECA' New Delhi, May 9-10, 2008.
- Participated in the 2nd High Level Study Group Meeting of 'Asian Cooperation Dialogue' Seoul, April, 17-18, 2008.
- Participated in the First India-New Zealand JSG Meeting on 'India-New Zealand CECA' New Delhi, April 4, 2008.
- Participated in the Meeting of 'SAFTA Ministerial Council', for presentation on Trade in Services, New Delhi, March 3, 2008.
- Participated in the Meeting of 'SAFTA Committee of Experts on Trade in Services', New Delhi, March 1-2, 2008.
- Presented Draft Regional Study on 'Potentials for Trade in Services under SAFTA' at the Regional Consultation Meeting, SAARC Secretariat, 6-7 February, 2008
- Participated in Consultative Meeting on 'Potentials of Trade in Services under SAFTA Agreement' at SAARC Secretariat, Kathmandu, December 29, 2007.
- Participated in the First India-Indonesia JSG Meeting on 'India-Indonesia CECA' Jakarta, October 30-31, 2007.
- Participated in the Adoption Meeting of the 'Report of the Joint Study Group on the Feasibility of Establishing A Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement between India and Malaysia' at Kuala Lumpur on 10- 11 August 2007
- Participated in the 'India-ASEAN Trade Negotiating Committee (TNC) Meeting' May 9-11, 2007, New Delhi.
- Presented the RIS-Ministry of Commerce Study on the subject in the Meeting of Joint Study Group (JSG) on the Feasibility of Establishing Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) between India and Malaysia, organized by Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Commerce, Government of India, April 20, 2006, New Delhi.
- Participated as an Expert in the "ASEAN-India Trade Negotiation Committee" (AITNC) Meeting on November 10-11, 2005, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation in Workshop on "Rules of Origin under India-ASEAN FTA" organized by Government of India and ASEAN Secretariat, October 17-18, 2005, Jakarta, Indonesia.
- Made a Presentation on Third Meeting of Joint Study Group (JSG) on Feasibility of a Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) between India and Malaysia, organized by Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Commerce, Government of India, August 22-23, 2005, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on Second Meeting of Joint Study Group (JSG) on Feasibility of a Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) between India and Malaysia, June 21-23, 2005, Kuala Lumpur.
- Member, Expert Group on Rules of Origin, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, GOI. 2005.
- "India-Sri Lanka Investment Partnership: Some Analyses and Policy Recommendations", Study Prepared for Inter-governmental Joint Study Group on India-Sri Lanka Comprehensive Economic Partnership, 2003.
- Participated in the *Fourth India-Thailand Free Trade Joint Negotiating Group Meeting*, July 24-26, 2003.
- Provided inputs to the Ministry of Commerce on India's offer list for the *Third India-Thailand Free Trade Joint Negotiating Group Meeting*, March 2003.

- Participated in the second India-Thailand Free Trade Joint Negotiating Group Meeting, March 10-12, 2003.
- Participated as a Member, Inter-governmental Joint Negotiating Group (JNG) for Drafting a Framework Agreement on India –Thailand FTA, Bangkok, 2002.
- Participated in the Fourth and Final Joint Working Group Meeting in Thailand during 22-23, December 2002 as a member of the Delegation of the Govt. of India and presented the *Feasibility Study on India-Thailand Free Trade Agreement*, Bangkok, 2002 .
- Participated in the Third Joint Working Group Meeting in New Delhi, India during 13-14, November, 2002 as a member of the Delegation of the Govt. of India and presented the *Feasibility Study on India-Thailand Free Trade Agreement*.
- Participated in the Second Joint Working Group Meeting as a member of the Delegation of the Govt. of India and presented the *Feasibility Study on India-Thailand Free Trade Agreement* in Cha-am, Thailand during 26-27, August, 2002.
- *Draft SAFTA Agreement and Rules of Origin under SAFTA, 2000* (co-authored with V. R. Panchamukhi).
- Participated in negotiations on India-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement, 1998.
- Study on *Rules of Origin under SAPTA*, submitted to Ministry of Commerce, GOI and SAARC Secretariat, 1998 (co-authored with V. R. Panchamukhi).
- Presented a paper on “Regional Cumulation facility of the EU GSP Scheme for the SAARC region” at various meetings of the SAARC *Committee on Economic Cooperation of the Commerce Secretaries*.

Capacity Building Programmes at RIS

Serving as Course-Director of various RIS Capacity Building Programmes since 2001 till present.

Prominent Programmes directed include:

- One-month Programme on International Economic Issues and Development Policy (IEIDP), under ITEC/SCAAP of Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India (Each year since 2001- present)
- One-month Programme on Global and Regional Economic Cooperation Issues (GRECI), sponsored by ERIA, Jakarta (2008, 2009, 2010)
- Two-day Module on ‘International and Regional Economic Cooperation Issues’ Organized for Foreign Diplomats, Under the Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats (PCFD), Foreign Service Institute (FSI), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, (Every year since 2007-present.
- One day Module on ‘Understanding Regional Economic Cooperation in Asia, organized for Teachers under UGC’s Refreshers Course (Since 2007 –till present)
- One Week Programme on ‘Global Economic Regime and India’s Regional Economic Engagements’, for Indian Foreign Service (IFS) Probationers (Since 2004-2009).
- One week Training Workshop of Ministry of Finance, Government of India for Senior Indian Economic Service (IES) Officers on *Regionalism in the World and Asia: Challenges and Options before India* held at RIS August 29 - September 2, 2005, New Delhi.
- Training Programme for Tariff Commission Officers on *Regional and Bilateral Trade Agreements*, held at RIS, March 1-7 2005, New Delhi.
- Programme for Senior Government Officials of the Tariff Commission, Govt. of India on various conceptual and empirical issues of WTO and Global and National Trade Policy Making Processes, under the RIS Training Programme, 2002.

Select Publications

Books

- (2012). *Regional Trade and Economic Integration: Analytical Insights and Policy Options*, New York Singapore: World Scientific (co-authored with Piyadasa Edisuriya and Anoop Swarup).
- (2011) *Perspectives on Rules of Origin*, UK: Palgrave-Macmillan (co-authored with R S Ratna)
- (2009) *Potential for Trade in Services under SAFTA Agreement* New Delhi: RIS. (co-authored with Nagesh Kumar and Prabir De)
- (2005). *Trade, Technology and Growth: On Analysis and Policies for Developing Countries*, New Delhi: Bookwell.

Reports

- *RIS (2008) South Asia Development and Cooperation Report 2008*, New Delhi: OUP (Contributor).
- *World Trade and Development Report 2007*, RIS and OUP: New Delhi (Contributor).
- SAARC Secretariat (2006), *Regional Poverty Profile 2005*, UNDP (Contributor).
- *Towards an Employment-Oriented Export Strategy: Some Explorations*, RIS, 2006 (Contributor).
- *Future Directions of BIMST-EC: Towards a Bay of Bengal Economic Community (BoBEC)*, RIS/IPS/ITD/CPD, 2004 (Contributor).
- *South Asia Development and Cooperation Report 2004*, RIS (Contributor).
- *World Trade and Development Report 2003: Cancun and Beyond*, RIS and Academic Foundation: New Delhi (Contributor).
- *Globalization and the Non-Aligned Movement: An Economic Agenda for Action*, RIS Background Document, XIII NAM Summit, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 20-25 February 2003 (Contributor-including chapters on Development with a Human Face).
- *South Asia Development and Cooperation Report 2001/02*, RIS (Contributor).
- *India's Border Trade with Select Neighbouring Countries*, 1996, UNESCAP. (Co-authored with V. L. Rao and Srinath Baruah)

Unpublished Studies (Prepared for Inter-governmental Negotiations)

- Potential for Economic Integration in Trade in Traditional Medicines in the SAARC Region, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, GOI, 2010
- 'India-EU Broad-based Trade and Investment Agreement (BTI) Negotiations in Trade in Services with special reference to Audio-Visual Services, prepared for Ministry of Information and Broadcasting', Government of India, 2009
- 'Identification of Gender Sensitive Items of Trade in India', prepared for Commonwealth Secretariat, London and Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, 2009
- 'Potentials for **Investment** Cooperation between India and Australia' under India-Australia JSG on India-New Zealand CECA, 2008
- 'Potentials for **Trade** Cooperation between India and Australia' under India-Australia JSG on India-New Zealand CECA, 2008
- 'Potentials for **Investment** Cooperation between India and New Zealand' under India-New Zealand JSG on India-New Zealand CECA, 2008
- 'Potentials for **Trade** Cooperation between India and New Zealand' under India-New Zealand JSG on India-New Zealand CECA, 2008
- 'Potentials for **Investment** Cooperation between India and Indonesia' under India-Indonesia JSG on India-Indonesia CECA, 2008

- ‘Potentials for **Trade** Cooperation between India and Indonesia’ under India-Indonesia JSG on India-Indonesia CECA, 2008
- ‘Afghanistan as a Member of the SAFTA Agreement: An Analysis of its Economic Implications’, for the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, 2007.
- ‘Identification of Item of Product Specific Derogation’s on Rules of Origin for ASEAN-India FTA’ for the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, 2007.
- ‘Trade in Goods under India-GCC FTA’ for the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, 2006 (co-authored with S.R. Pradhan).
- ‘India-Pakistan Trade and Economic Relations: Prospects and Challenges’ for the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.
- ‘Feasibility of Establishing Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) Between India and Malaysia, conducted for Joint Study Group (JSG), Government of India and Government of Malaysia, 2006.
- ‘South Asian Economic Integration SAFTA and Beyond’, Prepared for South Asia Centre for Policy Studies, RIS-IPS, 2006 (co-authored with Nagesh Kumar and Saman Kelegama).
- ‘India’s Trade in Audio-Visual Services under GATS’ for the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, 2006 (co-authored with Pawan Chopra).
- ‘Relevance of Investment in India-GCC Partnership’ for the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, 2005 (co-authored with S.R. Pradhan).
- ‘Rules of Origin issues in India’s Economic Partnership Agreements with ASEAN and other Countries’, for the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, 2005.
- SAARC Secretariat (2005), *Regional Poverty Profile 2004*, UNDP (Contributor).
- *A Feasibility Study on a Free Trade Agreement between India and Thailand*, Prepared for Joint Working Group on India-Thailand Free Trade Agreement (Ministry of Commerce, Govt. of India and Ministry of Commerce, Govt. of Thailand), December 2002 (co-authored with S. Ratanakomut and S. Mallikamas). (Downloadable from <http://www.depthai.go.th/th/newDep/FTA/India/study.pdf>).
- *Economic Impact of Trade and Investment Facilitation and Liberalisation in South Asia (BBIN) Growth Quadrangle: A Developmental Perspective*, Asian Development Bank, Manila
- *India’s EXIM Policy (2002-07): Some Strategic Policy Proposals*, Government of India, January 2001

Papers (including those in edited volumes)

- Das, Ram Upendra (2012), ‘Impact of trade and investment liberalization on productivity in organized manufacturing in India’, Shujiro Urata, Hee Hahn Chin, Dionisius Narjoko (eds.), *Economic Consequences of Globalization: Evidence from East Asia*, April, New York and UK: Routledge.
- Das, Ram Upendra, C. M. Vasudev and Madhukar Gupta (2011), ‘Regional Integration and Cooperation in Asia—An Indian Perspective’, *Global Journal of Emerging Market Economies*, Vol. 3 No. 3. Los Angeles, London, New Delhi and Washington DC: SAGE.
- Das, Ram Upendra (2011), ‘Regional Trade-FDI- Poverty Alleviation Linkages – Some Analytical and Empirical Explorations’ in Ulrich Volz (ed.) (2011), *Regional Integration, Economic Development and Global Governance*, USA and UK: Edward Elgar.
- Das, Ram Upendra (2011), ‘Productivity in the Era of Trade and Investment Liberalization in India’, *Discussion Paper # 174*, New Delhi: RIS.
- Das, Ram Upendra (2011), ‘Economic integration: a driver for development’, *East Asia Forum Quarterly*, Vol.3 No.3 July-September.

- Das, Ram Upendra, (2010) "Rules of Origin under Regional Trade Agreements", Discussion Paper # 163, New Delhi: RIS
- Das, Ram Upendra, (2009), "Imperatives of Regional Economic Integration in Asia in the Context of Developmental Asymmetries: Some Policy Suggestions." ADBI Working Paper 172, Tokyo: ADBI
- Das, Ram Upendra, (2009) "Regional Trade-FDI-Poverty alleviation linkages : some analytical and empirical explorations", *Discussion Paper* 18/2009, Bonn : DIE
- Das, Ram Upendra, (2009) "Regional Economic Integration in South Asia: Prospects and Challenges", Discussion Paper # 157, New Delhi: RIS
- Das, Ram Upendra, (2007) "Technological advances and industrial characteristics: Some evidence from developed and developing countries." *Economics Bulletin*, Vol. 15, No. 4 pp. 1-13
- Das, Ram Upendra and Ramaa Sambamurty (2006), 'Addressing Global Growth Asymmetries through Regional Trade Integration: Some Explorations', *RIS Discussion Paper # 116*, December.
- Das, Ram Upendra (2006), 'Poverty Reduction in South Asia through Productive Employment', *SAARC Regional Poverty Profile 2005*, SAARC Secretariat (contributor).
- Das, Ram Upendra (2006), 'Free Trade Theory', in *International Trade Theory*, School of Social Sciences, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi.
- Das, Ram Upendra (2006), 'Alternative Explanations of Trade', in *International Trade Theory*, School of Social Sciences, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi.
- Das, Ram Upendra (2006), 'Gains from Free Trade and Welfare', in *International Trade Theory*, School of Social Sciences, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi. (Co-authored with Annanya Ghosh Dastidar).
- Das, Ram Upendra (2006), 'Regional Trading Blocs', in *Theory of Regional Blocs*, School of Social Sciences, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi.
- Das, Ram Upendra (2006), 'International Capital Mobility and the Emerging Monetary System', in *Theory of Regional Blocs*, School of Social Sciences, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), New Delhi. (Co-authored with Manmohan Aggarwal)
- "Economic Reforms and Implications for Labour Markets", (Co-authored with V. R. Pancharukhi and Nagesh Kumar), in Agarwala, R., Nagesh Kumar and Michelle Riboud, (eds.), *Reforms, Labour Markets and Social Security in India*, Oxford University Press, New Delhi for the World Bank Institute and RIS, 2004.
- "Industrial Restructuring and Export Competitiveness of the Textiles and Clothing Sector in SAARC in the Context of MFA Phase-out", *RIS Discussion Paper* No. 85, 2004.
- "Implications of FDI-Development Linkages for Developing Countries: A Special Reference to the Indian Case", *FOCUS WTO*, Volume IV, No. 3, Sept.-Oct. 2002.
- *Conceptual and Policy Issues in Rules of Origin*, *South Asia Economic Journal*, Vol. 2, No. 2, July-December 2001, Sage
- "Economic Reforms, Regional Integration and Labour Markets in the South Asian Region", *South Asia Economic Journal*, Vol. 2, No. 1, January-June 2001, Sage pp.3-30, (Co-authored with V. R. Pancharukhi)
- 'Import Policy and Export Promotion', in Sen, S., *Trade and Dependence*, New Delhi: Sage, 2000, (Co-authored with Sunanda Sen)
- *Economic Reforms, Regional Integration and Labour Markets in the SAARC Region*, SAAT Working Papers, ILO, New Delhi, 1999. (Co-authored with V. R. Pancharukhi)
- *India and SAARC: Prospects for Trade and Investment Cooperation*, EXIM Bank of India, Occasional Paper: Mumbai, 1998. (Co-authored with V. R. Pancharukhi)
- "Comparative Advantage and Pattern of Trade in Asia", (Co-authored with V. L. Rao) in Pancharukhi, V.R. and R. Sobhan (eds.), *Towards An Asian Economic Area*, Macmillan, 1995

- *India and ASEAN: Issues in Sectoral Dialogue Partnership*, RIS Occasional Paper No. 41, New Delhi, 1993. (Co-authored with V. L. Rao)
- "Import Liberalisation as a Tool of Economic Policy in India since Mid-Eighties", *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. XXVII, No. 12, March 21, 1992, pp. 585-594. (Co-authored with Sunanda Sen)

Papers Presented/ Presentations Made Abroad

- Presented paper on 'Technology and Employment: Some Theoretical and Empirical Insights' at International Conference on 'Global Firms, Global Innovations and Political Economy', Loughborough University, UK, 27-28 April 2012.
- Participated in the "Eighth Meeting of the Expert Group on SAARC Agreement on Trade in Services" organized by SAARC Secretariat, Kathmandu, Nepal, 16-19 January, 2012.
- Presented a paper at the Conference on "Regional Cooperation and Integration (RCI)" hosted by SAARC Secretariat, Asian Development Bank, and Government of Maldives, October 8, 2011, Male, Maldives.
- Participated in High-Level meetings on "India-Maldives Economic Cooperation", 17-19 October, 2011 Male, Maldives.
- Held discussion meetings on "Institutional Mechanism for Trade in Services Statistics" at the Ministry of Trade, Government of Singapore and ISEAS, September 14-19, 2011, Singapore.
- Presented a Paper at the "Workshop on East and South Asia Economic Integration" organized by the Australian National University, Canberra, 17-19 August, 2011, Australia.
- Participated in the "Inception Workshop for the SAARC Studies on Trade, Economics and Finance", organized by the SAARC Secretariat, Kathmandu, 23-24 June, 2011, Nepal.
- Participated in High-Level meetings on "India-Maldives Economic Cooperation", 10 June, 2011 to 14 June, 2011, Male, Maldives.
- Presented a Paper on "Some Unexplored Issues in Regional Economic Integration" at the Workshop on *International Political Economy and Cross Border Effects*, organized by the Centre for Globalization Research, School of Business and Management, Queen Mary University of London at Goodenough College on 28 April 2011, London.
- Participated in High-Level meetings on "India-Maldives Economic Cooperation", 3rd April, 2011 to 7th April, 2011, Male, Maldives.
- Guest Speaker at a Seminar on "Toward the Expansion of Economic Relations between Japan and India" organized by the Keizai Koho Centre (Japan Institute for Social and Economic Affairs), 17-21 January, 2011, Tokyo.
- Participated in the 'ERIA Research Institutes Network Meeting organized by Bangkok Research Centre, Bangkok, Thailand, September 24-26, 2010.
- Participated in the meeting on India-Indonesia Economic Cooperation organized by the Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of the India in association with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia, May 5, 2010, Bali.
- Participated in the meeting 'Advancing ASEAN-India Partnership' Organized by ASEAN Secretariat, May 4, 2010, Jakarta, Indonesia.
- Presented paper in Workshop on "Understanding Productivity Impact of Trade and Investment Liberalizations in East Asia" organized by ERIA, February 25-26, 2010 and August 24-25, 2009, Jakarta, Indonesia.
- Presented paper as Leader of Indian Delegation in the "Workshop on Rules of Origin for ASEAN+6" organized by Government of Japan on 5 February, 2010, Tokyo.
- Presented a paper on India-Malaysia Economic Relations at "Second India-Malaysia Strategic Dialogue", Organized by Institute of Strategic and International Studies, Kuala Lumpur, 27-29, January, 2010.
- Participated in the Track II Study Group on Comprehensive Economic Partnership Arrangement for East Asia (CEPEA), Jakarta, 2-3 July 2009
- Participated in the Track II Study Group on Comprehensive Economic Partnership Arrangement for East Asia (CEPEA), Sydney, 28-29 May 2009

- Presented paper on 'SAFTA and Beyond' at the Regional Seminar organized by SAWTEE, Kathmandu, Nepal, 24 April 2009
- Presented paper on 'Imperatives of Regional Economic Integration in Asia in the Context of Developmental Asymmetries: Some Policy Suggestions' in the Annual Conference 2008 on Asia's Contribution to Global Economic Development and Stability organized by Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI), December 5, 2008, Tokyo.
- Presented paper in the Conference on Multilateralizing Regionalism, organized by ADBI, Tokyo and The Graduate Institute, Geneva on 18-19 September 2008 in Tokyo.
- Presented paper on 'Potentials and Constraints in Trade in Services in South Asia' at the First South Asia Economic Summit (SAES) on Economic Integration in South Asia: SAFTA and Beyond, Colombo, 28-30 August 2008.
- Presented paper on the 'Prospects of Trade and Economic Cooperation between India and Pakistan' at the International Seminar, organized by Islamabad Policy Research Institute, Islamabad, Pakistan on 25-26 August 2008.
- Participated on behalf of the Government of India at the 3rd ACD High Level Study Group Meeting held in Astana, Kazakhstan, on 18-19 August 2008.
- Presented paper on 'Deepening Economic Integration in SAFTA: Potential and Constraints', at the Regional Conference on *Strengthening Economic and Social Integration in South Asia*, organized by the IPS and SACEPS, May 29-31, 2008, Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- Participated in the Second India-New Zealand JSG Meeting on 'India-New Zealand CECA' Auckland, May 23, 2008.
- Participated in the 2nd High Level Study Group Meeting of 'Asian Cooperation Dialogue' Seoul, April, 17-18, 2008.
- Presented paper on 'Are Trade Openness and Financial Development complementary?' at the ASSA Annual Meeting in New Orleans, USA on January 5, 2008 (Co-author Meenakshi Rishi).
- Participated in Consultative Meeting on 'Potentials of Trade in Services under SAFTA Agreement' at SAARC Secretariat, Kathmandu, December 29, 2007.
- Presented paper on 'Trade-FDI-Poverty Linkages in a Regional Grouping: Some Evidence from South Asia' in International Conference on "Regional Economic Integration Beyond Europe" organized by German Development Institute, Bonn, December 19-20, 2007.
- Participated in the First India-Indonesia JSG Meeting on 'India-Indonesia CECA' Jakarta, October 30-31, 2007.
- Participated in the Drafting Committee meetings and the Adoption Meeting of the 'Report of the Joint Study Group on the Feasibility of Establishing A Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement between India and Malaysia' at Kuala Lumpur on 10- 11 August 2007
- Participated in the meeting on 'Asian Think Tanks: Strengthening Knowledge Management and Knowledge Sharing, organized by ADBI, 5-8 June, 2007, Tokyo, Japan.
- Paper presented at the "Roundtable on SAFTA: An Enabler of South Asian Regional Integration, Organized by SAARC Chamber of Commerce and Industry, FPCCI and FNSI, April 17-18, 2007, Bhurban, Pakistan.
- Made a lead presentation on behalf of the visiting group on 'Global Economic Issues' chaired by Prof Mark E. Wojcik, Professor of Law and Director of Global Legal Studies, The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, November 15, 2006.
- Participated in the meeting on 'Issues with Open Economy Macroeconomic Policies' with Dr. Jonas D. Fisher, Economic Advisor and Team Leader, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Chicago, November 13, 2006.
- Participated in the Seminar on 'Prospects of APEC' by Prof. Donald Hellmann, Director, Institute of International Policy, Washington University, Seattle, November 9, 2006.
- Participated in the meeting on 'US Trade and Outward FDI Prospects in Developing Countries' with Ms. Ardis Dummet, Director of Special Projects, Office of U.S. Senator Patty Murray, Seattle, November 9, 2006.

- Made a presentation on ‘Prospects of Economic Cooperation between India and US’, Minnesota Trade Office, Minneapolis, November 7, 2006.
- Participated in the Seminar on ‘Trade in Services under GATS’ by Prof. Lawrence White, New York Stern School of Business, New York, November 2, 2006.
- Participated in the Seminar on ‘Implications of NAFTA’ by Mr. Alessandro Nicita, Office of the Chief Economist's Research Group, The World Bank, Washington, DC, November 2, 2006.
- Participated in the meeting on ‘US Trade Policy’ with Ms. Tiffany M. Moore, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), Washington, DC, October 31, 2006.
- Participated in the meetings on ‘WTO AoA Negotiations’ at U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Washington, DC, October 31, 2006.
- Participated in the meeting on ‘US Trade Policy’ with Ms. Angela Ellard, Director, House Committee on Ways and Means, U.S. House of Representatives, Capitol Hill, Washington, DC, October 30, 2006.
- Participated in the Seminar on ‘Doha Development Agenda’ by Prof.. Gary Hufbauer, R. Jones Senior Fellow, Institute for International Economics (IIE), Washington, DC, October 26, 2006.
- Paper Presented on ‘Regional Trading Arrangements of India: Conceptual and Policy Issues’ at International Conference on ‘The Indian Economy in the Era of Globalisation’ organized by Maison des Sciences de l’Homme and University of Paris –X, Paris, 28-29 September 2006
- Course-leader of the course on *SAARC Economic Integration* in the First SAARC Chamber Academy organized by EUROCHAMBERS, Brussels and SAARC Chamber of Commerce and Industries, May 24-27, 2006, Kandy, Sri Lanka.
- Made a Presentation on “SAFTA Negotiations; Implication for the Business” *Symposium on Trade Liberalization in SAARC*, organized by SCCI and BCCI during March 9-12, 2006, Thimphu, Bhutan.
- Participated in Discussion-meetings on Rules of Origin, organized by World Customs Organization, January 25-29, 2006, Brussels, Belgium.
- Made a Presentation in Workshop on “Rules of Origin between India and ASEAN” organized by ASEAN Secretariat, October 17-18, 2005, Jakarta, Indonesia.
- Made a Presentation in *Third High Level Academic Conference on Building a New Asia: Towards an Asian Economic Community*, jointly organized by RIS and the Shanxi University of Finance and Economics and supported by the Sasakawa Peace Foundation, Japan; September 15-16 2005 Taiyuan, P.R. China.
- Participated in ‘Indo-Bangladesh Dialogue on Trade, Investment and Connectivity’ held at Dhaka, August 2005.
- Made a Presentation on Second Meeting of Joint Study Group (JSG) on Feasibility of a Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) between India and Malaysia, June 21-23, 2005, Kuala Lumpur.
- Participated in the Seventh Meeting of “SAARC Network of Researchers on Global Financial and Economic Issues” organized by SAARC Secretariat May 5-6, 2005, Kathmandu, Nepal.
- Guest Speaker in a Seminar on ‘Implications of India-Thailand FTA for SMEs’ organized by the Department of Export Promotion, Ministry of Commerce, Government of Thailand, November 26, 2004, Bangkok.
- Resource Person in a Training Workshop on “Macroeconomic Forecasting” organized by the Ministry of Planning and National Development, Government of Maldives and supported by Commonwealth Secretariat, 26 December 2004 - 08 January 2005, in Male.
- Made a presentation on “Different Dimensions of SAFTA Treaty and Negotiations : A Way Ahead” at *Roundtable on SAFTA: Agenda for Trade Liberalization* organized by SCCI in cooperation with FNSI and AUS Aid, April 28, 2004, Lahore (SAFTA: Some Analytical and Policy Issues).

- Presentation in a Seminar on “Towards an Alternative Transitional Development State Paradigm in East Asia: The Experiences of China, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines and Thailand” organized by Chulalongkorn University and Sasakawa Peace Foundation (Japan) in Bangkok, Thailand, January 30-31, 2004.
- Participated in the Planning Workshop for the preparation of SAARC Regional Poverty Profile 2004 organized by SAARC Secretariat and UNDP in Kathmandu, Nepal, December 11-12, 2003.
- Made Presentation on “Trade-Development Linkages: Implication and Policies for the South Asian Region” at the Sixth Meeting of the SAARC Network of Researchers on Global Financial and Economic Issues, held in Islamabad, December 8-9, 2003.
- Presented a Paper on “Trade Liberalization and Development: Challenges for South Asia”, for the *South Asia Initiative Workshop, Analysis of Trade Liberalization for Poverty Alleviation*, organized by IFPRI (Washington D.C.)/CARP (Colombo)/World Bank Institute (Washington D.C.) during April 21-25, 2003, Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- Participated as a Member, Inter-governmental Joint Negotiating Group (JNG) for Drafting a Framework Agreement on India –Thailand FTA, Bangkok, 2002.
- Participated in the Fourth and Final Joint Working Group Meeting in Thailand as a member of the Delegation of the Govt. of India and presented the *Feasibility Study on India-Thailand Free Trade Agreement*, Bangkok, during 22-23, December, 2002.
- Participated in the Second Joint Working Group Meeting as a member of the Delegation of the Govt. of India and presented the *Feasibility Study on India-Thailand Free Trade Agreement* in Cha-am, Thailand during 26-27, August, 2002.
- Made presentations at the Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok; Department of Business Economics, Ministry of Commerce, Govt. of Thailand and Embassy of India, Bangkok on the feasibility study on India-Thailand FTA, July, 2002
- Presented a paper entitled “Global Economic Challenges”, at the Expert Group Meeting on Competitive Sustainable Development, organized by the *NAM-CSSTC, Jakarta and IPA* (Prime Minister’s Office) Brunei during 28-30 January 2002, at Brunei Darussalam, (co-authored with V.R. Panchamukhi)

Paper Presented in India / Lectures Delivered / Participation in Meetings

- Participated in the Meeting on “Institutional Mechanisms relating to Trade in Services” organized by Reserve Bank of India, March 29-30, 2012, Mumbai.
- Delivered Lecture on “FTAs/ PTAs and Implications for India” organized by the Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI), on 22nd February, 2012 in Hyderabad.
- Participated in the Preparatory Workshop for the 2012 ADB Annual Meeting Governors’ Seminar in New Delhi, 1 February 2012.
- Participated in the Inaugural Conference of the Australia India Youth Dialogue, 30 January, 2012, New Delhi.
- Background papers on “South Asian Economic Integration: Some Dimensions” and on “Trade in Services in SAARC: Analytical Rationale, Select Potential Sector and Constraints”, for the First South Asia Forum, held in September, 2011 in New Delhi.
- Presented paper on ‘India-Myanmar Economic Relations’ during the visit of H E U Win Myint, Minister for Commerce, Government of Union of Myanmar, organized by CII, September 27, 2011, New Delhi.
- Delivered Lectures on various aspects of WTO and RTAs during the Personal Contact Programme under the ICAI’s Post Qualification Course in International Trade Laws and WTO, 16, 20, 23rd July, 2011, New Delhi.
- Speaker at the conference on “*Regional Architecture for Security and Economic Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific*” co-hosted by the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) and India Institute of Foreign Affairs & National Security (IFANS), Republic of Korea, April 21, 2011, New Delhi.
- Participated in the Meeting on “Rules of Origin under ASEAN+6” organized by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India, May 9, 2011, New Delhi.

- Participated in the 'ERIA Research Institutes Network Meeting organized by Bangkok Research Centre, Bangkok, Thailand, September 24-26, 2010.
- Delivered lecture on 'Relationship between RTAs and WTO' at the Personal Contact Programme under the ICAI's Post Qualification Course in International Trade Law and WTO, July 9, 2010, New Delhi.
- Delivered lecture on "Economics of RTAs" at the Seven Week Executive Development Programme for the IFS Probationer, organized by IIFT, New Delhi, August 16, 2010.
- Delivered lecture on 'Regional Cooperation in SAARC' to Japanese Scholars from Hihon Fukushi University, Nagoya. , organized by South Asian University, August 28, 2010.
- Presented paper in the International Conference on 'India-Japan-China Dialogue and East Asia Summit Process: The Leadership Conundrum' organized by ICRIER, April 6-7, 2010, New Delhi.
- Presented paper in the Conference on 'Implications of India –ASEAN Agreement on Trade' organized by Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Mumbai, February 9, 2010
- Delivered lecture on 'The Dynamics of South Asian Economic Integration' at the School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 27 October 2009.
- Delivered lecture on 'New Developments in Trade Theory and Practice' at the Training Programme for College Faculty and Researchers on 'Contemporary Issues in International Trade' organized by the Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum, 25 October 2009.
- Delivered lecture on 'India's Trade Policy and Regional Economic Engagements' to Indian Economic Service Probationers under the Training Programme organized by the Institute of Economic Growth, 1 October 2008.
- Delivered lecture on 'India's Regional Trade Agreements', organized by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, 5 July 2009.
- Presented Paper on 'Trade- Employment Linkages under RTAs' at the 18th Biennial Meeting of the US-based Association for Indian Economic and Financial Studies (AIEFS), 20 June 2009, New Delhi.
- Presented Paper on 'New Developments in Trade Theory and Practice' at the Training Programme for College Faculty and Researchers on 'Contemporary Issues in International Trade' organized by the Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum, 26 May 2009.
- Delivered lecture on 'Regional Trade Agreements' at Seminar organized by UNCTAD and University of Mizoram, Aizawl, 22 May 2009.
- Delivered Special Address on 'Trade and Gender' at the Seminar organized by Commonwealth Secretariat, Ministry of Commerce and Industry and IIFT. 28 April 2009
- Presented paper on 'India-ASEAN Trade and Economic Relations: Problems and Prospects' at the International seminar on "Culture, Trade and Development in Southeast Asia, and India's Response" organized by The Society for Indian Ocean Studies, 5th March 2009.
- Delivered lecture on "Understanding Preferential Rules of Origin Some Conceptual and Policy Issues' under the Training Programme for DGFT Officials, organized by Centre for WTO Studies and IIFT, February 12, 2009.
- Presented paper on 'Trade and Investment Cooperation between India and GCC' at the Seminar on *GCC Investments in Asia: Issues and Prospects*, organized by CWAAS / Gulf Studies Programme / SIS / JNU, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, January 15, 2009.
- Deliver a Lecture on "South-South Trade and Regionalism" under the Training Program on Trade and Sustainable Development organized by TERI, Gurgaon, 27 November, 2008.
- Delivered lecture on 'Understanding WTO Agreements' under ITEC Programme for Foreign Journalists organized by the Indian Institute of Mass Communication, November 11, 2008.
- Delivered lecture on 'The Dynamics of South Asian Economic Integration' at the School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 27 October 2009.
- Presented Paper on 'New Developments in Trade Theory and Practice' at the Training Programme for College Faculty and Researchers on 'Contemporary Issues in International Trade' organized by the Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum, 25 October 2008.

- Delivered lecture on 'India's Trade Policy and Regional Economic Engagements' to Indian Economic Service Probationers under the Training Programme organized by the Institute of Economic Growth, 1 October 2008.
- Delivered a lecture to DGFT Officers of the Government of India on the Rule of Origin, at IIFT, 24 September 2008.
- Delivered a Lecture on India-ASEAN Economic Cooperation to Foreign Diplomats at the FSI in New Delhi on 14 August 2008.
- Participated in Government of India Expert Group Meeting on Preferential Rules of origin held in New Delhi on 21 July 2008.
- Delivered Lecture on 'Interface between WTO and RTAs' at the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), May 5, 2008
- Delivered Lecture on "India-ASEAN Relations with special Focus on Prospects & Challenges" to Foreign Diplomats at Foreign Service Institute, MEA, April 25, 2008.
- Delivered Lecture on 'SAARC: Prospects and Challenges' to Foreign Diplomats at Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi, April 16, 2008
- Delivered Lecture on 'WTO Implications for Developing Countries' organized by Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), New Delhi, March 4, 2008.
- Presented Draft Regional Study on 'Potentials for Trade in Services under SAFTA' at the Regional Consultation Meeting, SAARC Secretariat, 6-7 February, 2008
- Lecture on 'India-ASEAN Economic Cooperation' organized for Foreign Diplomats by Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs, GOI, January 24, 2008.
- Delivered Lecture to Foreign Diplomats on "India's Economic Integration with ASEAN: Prospects & Challenges" organized by Foreign Services Institute, Ministry of External Affairs, GOI, 21 November, 2007.
- Presented the Report of the Conference at the 6th High Level Conference on 'Asian Economic Integration: Agenda for the East Asia Summit, 13 November 2007
- Speaker at the Meeting on "Export Development and Inclusive Growth" organized by CII, New Delhi, October 22, 2007.
- Delivered Lecture on "Implications of WTO for Developing Countries", to Foreign Journalists, organized by Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), New Delhi, October 15, 2008.
- Participated in the discussion meeting on "Economic Cooperation in the South Asian Region" organized by the British High Commission, New Delhi, October 5, 2008.
- Speaker at the Meeting on 'India's Trade in Audio-Visual Services' convened by Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, GOI, August 22, 2007.
- Lecture to Foreign Diplomats on "Regional Economic Cooperation in South Asia: Potentials and Constraints" organized by Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs, GOI, 11 September 2007.
- Lecture to Foreign Diplomats on "India's Economic Integration with ASEAN: Prospects and Challenges" organized by Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs, GOI, September 12, 2007.
- Speaker at the "1st Meeting of the Honorary Consuls of Maldives in India and Nepal' organized by the High Commission of Maldives, New Delhi, July 25, 2007.
- Speaker at Training-cum-Orientation Programme for the Railway Staff College Faculty on "Regional Economic Cooperation in Asia" organized by Asian Institute of Transport Development, Vadodra, July 28, 2007.
- Speaker at the Seminar on "Investing in Indonesia" organized by Embassy of Indonesia in New Delhi and CII, New Delhi, July 24, 2007.
- Addressed participants of the Workshop on "Knowledge Sharing Session-Intra SAARC Trade" organized by ATK Kearney Ltd, Mumbai, and July 11, 2007.

- Delivered lecture on 'Structure & Working of WTO' organized by ICAI's Post Qualification Course in International Trade Laws & WTO, 18 June 2007, New Delhi
- Speaker at 'Regional Conference on: "SAARC: Fourteenth Summit & Beyond" ICWA and KAF, 1-2 June 2007, New Delhi.
- Delivered lecture on 'Agreement on Textile and Clothing' organized by Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), 8 February 2007, New Delhi
- Delivered lecture on 'SAFTA: Potentials and Constraints' in the Seminar on " SAARC Economic Cooperation" organized by IDSA-ICRIER, 16 March 2007, New Delhi
- Delivered lecture on 'Issues in Trade Policy' during Programme on 'Development and Planning Models" organized by Institute of Economic Growth, 22 March 2007, New Delhi.
- Speaker for the Session on "Intra-Asian Trade Flows" at the 2nd Asian Textile Conference, 19 January 2007, New Delhi
- Keynote Speaker on "Professionalisation of Engineers in WTO/GATS Environment and Challenges Ahead" at the 4th National Conference on 'Towards International Competitiveness of Indian Engineers – Challenges Ahead' organized by Engineering Council of India, New Delhi, December 15, 2006.
- Speaker at the 'Roundtable on Regional Economic Cooperation in South Asia' on the occasion of 'SAARC Charter Day', organized by FICCI, New Delhi, December 8, 2006
- Lecture delivered on 'India's Engagements under Regional Trading Agreements', at The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, New Delhi, December 6, 2006
- Participated in the meeting on "Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation" programme organized by Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi, November 28, 2006
- Delivered a lecture on 'WTO Issues from Developing Countries' Perspective' at Indian Institute of Mass Communication, New Delhi, October 20, 2006
- Delivered lecture on 'Conceptual and Policy Issues in India's RTAs', organized by ShARE-DSE at Delhi School of Economics, New Delhi, 29 August 2006
- Lecture delivered on 'India's Engagements under Regional Trading Agreements', at The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, New Delhi, 1 July 2006
- Delivered Lecture on *Regional Economic Cooperation* to the Delegates of The Diplomatic Institute, France, at RIS, May 23, 2006, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on "Trade and Investment Cooperation between India & GCC under the Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement" in the Interactive Session on "India-GCC Free Trade Agreement", jointly organized by Ministry of Commerce & Industry (MoCI), Government of India and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), May 4, 2006, Mumbai.
- Key Speaker on "Regional Trade and Economic Cooperation: Analytical and Policy Issues" at the Workshop on *WTO-related Issues for Government Officials in the SAARC Region*, organized by The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), May 3, 2006, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on "Investment Cooperation between India & GCC under the Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement" in the Interactive Session on "India-GCC Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement", jointly organized by FICCI and Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India May 1, 2006, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on "SAARC: Potentials and Problems", Special Course for Afghan Diplomats, organized by Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs, April 18, 2006, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation at 'National Seminar on Rules of Origin' organized by World Customs Organization, Brussels at National Academy for Customs, Excise and Narcotics (NACEN), April 13, 2006.
- Delivered Lecture on "WTO Related Issues" for Foreign Journalists, organized by Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), March 21, 2006, New Delhi.

- Participated in Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, March 2, 2006, New Delhi.
- Presentation during *Rules of Origin under in ASEAN-India FTA: Consultations with Industry Associations*, at RIS on 6, 7, 8 and 10 February 2006.
- Participated in National Seminar- “In Defense of Globalization: An India Perspective”, organized by Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, (FICCI) January 18, 2005, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on “Preparation of an Annual Document Each for USA, EU, China and Japan to Cover India’s Economic Relationship and Prospects of Trade and Investment with Each of these Trading Partners” organized by Ministry of Commerce and Industry, January 9, 2006, New Delhi.
- Participated in a Seminar on “Indo-Bangladesh Dialogue on Trade, Investment and Connectivity”, organized by India International Centre, December 6, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in a Seminar on “The European Union – Why it Matters to India”, jointly organized by The British High Commission and Delhi Policy Group, and supported by The Delegation of the European Commission to India, December 6, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in Seventeenth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, November 21, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in Conference on SAARC Business Leaders Conclave: South Asia Regional Integration and Growth organized by Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), November 17-18, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in Sixteenth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, October 31, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in a Meeting convened by the Commerce Secretary on Rules of Origin under India-ASEAN FTA, October 31, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in Fifteenth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, October 15, 2005, 2005, New Delhi.
- Delivered Lecture on “WTO Related Issues” for Foreign Journalists, organized by Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), October 10, 2005, New Delhi.
- Delivered Lecture on “Regional Trading Agreement” for the Officers of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS), Government of India held at Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), September 27, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in Fourteenth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, September 22-23, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in Thirteenth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, August 26, 2005, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on “Indo-Bangladesh Trade and the Effects of a Potential Free Trade Agreement between the Two Countries” Workshop on India-Bangladesh Trade and FTA, organized by National Council of Applied Economic Research and Indo-Bangladesh Trade Study, August 18, 2005.
- Participated in International Seminar on “Recent Developments in Central Asia” organized by The India-Central Asia Foundation and The India-Central Asia Foundation, August 10, 2005, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on “ROO Issues, Concerns and Solutions’ Relating to FTA’s Singed and Proposed” organized by Aditya Birla Group, Conference on Group Meet on Rules of Origin, July 16, 2005, Mumbai.
- Made a Presentation for Twelfth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, July 13, 2005, New Delhi.

- Made a Presentation for Thirteenth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, August 26, 2005, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on “Indo-Thai FTA” organized by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Conference on Tamil Nadu – Leveraging Trade Agreements for Growth, June 16, 2005, Chennai.
- Participated in a Conference “FRAMES 2005” organized by FICCI, April 3-7 2005, Mumbai.
- Participated in Technical Committee Meeting on “Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) between India and Sri Lanka” organized by NIEPA, March 14, 2005, New Delhi.
- Participated in a Seminar on “Manufacturing, Economic Development and the Informal Economy: Is Manufacturing Still the Engine of Growth?: India” organized by International Labour Organization (ILO), February 16, 2005, New Delhi.
- Delivered Lecture on “India-Thailand FTA and India-ASEAN Comprehensive Cooperation Agreement”, for the Executive Masters in International Business organized by Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), February 14, 2005, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation for Seventh Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry, January 10, 2005, New Delhi.
- Presented a Paper in a Workshop on “Technological Development, Labour Productivity and Their Implications on Manufacturing Sector Labour in India and Other South & South East Asian Economies” organized by University of Kalyani, Department of Economics, West Bengal and Jamia Milia Islamia University, Academy of Third World Studies, New Delhi on December 21-23, 2004, Kolkata.
- Made a Presentation on ‘India’s Look East Policy and the Prospects for Regional Economic Integration’ at British High Commission, November 18, 2004, New Delhi.
- Made a Presentation on “India-Thailand FTA and India-ASEAN Comprehensive Cooperation Agreement”, for MBA Programme organized by IIFT on November 9, 2004, New Delhi.
- Participated in a Meeting on ‘Rules of Origin under India-MERCOSUR PTA’ organized by Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India on November 5, 2004, New Delhi.
- Participated in a Seminar on “Consultation Meetings with Stakeholders for India-Singapore FTA” organized by FICCI and CII with the support of Ministry of Commerce, Government of India, New Delhi, Mumbai and Chennai October 2004.
- Made Presentations in “Consultation Meetings with Stakeholders on Rules of Origin for Government of India’s Negotiations with Other Countries” organized by Government of India in collaboration with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) and CII New Delhi on September 30, 2004 and October 1, 2004.
- Delivered Lecture on “Regional Trading Agreement” for the Officers of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS) and Allied Services from Central and State Governments, Programme on WTO and The New Trade Regime for Officers Government of India held at Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi on 27 September to 1 October 2004.
- Participated in Fifth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry at New Delhi on September 24-25, 2004.
- Participated in a National Seminar on “Negotiations on WTO Rules” organized by Department of Commerce, New Delhi on September 21-22, 2004.
- Made a Presentation on “Regional Economic Integration: Theory & SAARC” Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats Conducted by Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi on September 14, 2004.
- Participated in The Signing Ceremony of the Protocol to Implement Early Harvest Scheme under the Framework Agreement between India and Thailand organized by Ministry of Commerce and Industry at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi on August 30, 2004.

- Made a Presentation on “Regional Trading Blocks: Implications for India”, for RIS-IFS Training Module for Foreign Service Institute, at RIS, New Delhi on August 26, 2004.
- Made a Presentation on “Rules of Origin Issues in India’s Economic Partnership Agreements with Other Countries: *An Approach Paper on Change in Tariff Heading Criterion*”, Presentation for Fourth Meeting of the Expert Group on Preferential Rules of Origin, Set up by Government of India, at Ministry of Commerce and Industry at New Delhi on August 24, 2004.
- Delivered a Lecture on “Trading Blocks with Emphasis on the Recent FTA’s”, for the Executive Masters Programme, at Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), New Delhi on August 22, 2004.
- Participated in a Conference on “SAARC Economic Co-operation”, held at Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), New Delhi on August 20, 2004.
- Rules of Origin Issues in India’s Economic Partnership Agreements with Other Countries: *An Approach Paper on Change in Tariff Heading Criterion*, submitted to Government of India, June 2004.
- Delivered Lecture on “Regional Trade Agreement Implications for India and Multilateral Trading System” for the Advance Course on WTO for the Senior Officials of the Indian Administrative Services (IAS), Government of India held at Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, 11 February 2004, New Delhi.
- Delivered two lectures on “WTO Agreements: Implications for Developing Countries” during the 41st Diploma Course in Development Journalism for mid-career journalists from Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America at the Indian Institute of Mass Communication, New Delhi, October 27 and 29, 2003.
- Made Presentation on “Prospects and Constraints for Trade Cooperation between India and Central Asian Republics: Some Issues” RIS-CII Seminar on “Economic Cooperation Between India and Central Asia”, New Delhi, October 17, 2003
- Presented Paper on “Fostering Trade and Commerce for Mutual Benefit” in the Seminar on “SAARC: Partners in Peace and Progress” organized by Indian Council of Social Science Research and Federation of Indian Publishers in association with the SAARC Book Development Council at New Delhi on August 27, 2003.
- Presented a Paper on “Implications of India-Thailand FTA on Trade and Poverty in India” at the OXFAM GB, New Delhi on August 22, 2003.
- Presented a Paper on “An Overview of Challenges Emanating from the WTO Regime for Developing Countries” at the Training Programme for Foreign Journalists at Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), New Delhi on April 2 and 3, 2003.
- Panelist in a Seminar on “India and ASEAN: An ASEAN Perspective” by Manu Bhaskaran, Centennial Group Inc. Singapore, at Centre for Policy Research, December 16, 2002
- Presented the “Feasibility Study on India-Thailand FTA” as a Member of Indian Government Delegation in the three Meetings of the JWG on this subject in India and Thailand during August-November and December, 2002
- Presented the Report of the Regional Conference on *Globalisation and Agriculture: Challenges for South Asia*, organized by RIS, IPS, Colombo and IFPRI, Washington D.C. for the SAARC Network of Researchers on Global Financial and Economic Issues (SAARC Secretariat), on December 5, 2002.
- Presented a Paper on “Strategies for Meeting the Challenges of WTO Agreements” in the Training Programme for Foreign Journalists at Indian Institute of Mass Communication on November 1, 2002
- Presented a Paper on “WTO Agreements: Opportunities and Challenges before Developing Countries” in the Training Programme for Foreign Journalists at Indian Institute of Mass Communication, October 25, 2002
- *Economic Impact of Trade and Investment Facilitation and Liberalisation in South Asia (BBIN) Growth Quadrangle: A Developmental Perspective*, presented at Inception Meeting of Trade,

Investment and Private Sector Cooperation Working Group, organised by Asian Development Bank, Kolkata, 2001

- Presented a paper on *Conceptual and Policy Issues in Rules of Origin*, (Co-authored with V. R. Panchamukhi) at a Seminar on South Asia in the Global Economy organised by SAARC Secretariat/Government of India/RIS, 2001
- "Regional Cumulation under EU GSP Scheme: Implications for the SAARC countries" prepared for the Government of India, and presented in SAARC Committee on Economic Cooperation Meetings, 1996
- "Textiles and Clothing Sector in the Asia-Pacific Region and WTO Agreement", presented at the ESCAP/UNDP/RIS Seminar, 1995. (Co-authored with V. L. Rao)
- "MFA Phasing Out: Implications for the Indian SMEs", presented at the Workshop on *GATT Final Act*, organised by the EDI, Ahmedabad and Friedrich-Neumann-Stiftung, 1994

Research Facilitation and Team Building Skills

- Organized and coordinated various International Conferences on behalf of RIS with institutions like the UNESCAP, UNDP, World Bank, SAARC Secretariat, JETRO, ISEAS, Sasakawa Peace Foundation (Japan), IFPRI (Washington), Japan Economic Foundation and other Think-Tanks in Asia etc.
- Directed various capacity-building modules at RIS and other institutions abroad.
- Have executed various research projects right from formulating proposals to launching of study, carrying out study, presenting the study, until the publication of the study, including being Team Leader. This has several times involved commissioning of studies to different experts and overseeing their quality parameters and timely delivery.
- In this process held intensive interactions with the government, industry associations like FICCI, CII, ASSOCHAM, academia and international organizations.

Network Coordination

Have coordinated BIMSTEC Network of Think-Tanks; Asian Cooperation Dialogue (ACD) Network of Think-Tanks; UNESCAP Network of Research on Trade and Investment; SAARC Secretariat's SAARC Network of Researchers.

Dissemination of Research to Masses: Articles and Interviews in Media

Have written articles and have been interviewed in leading newspapers/magazines like The Economic Times, The Times of India, The Hindustan Times, Financial Express, Business World, Business Standard, Mint, The Hindu, German Press Agency, AP, PTI and electronic media like, NDTV, CNBC, AIR, Doordarshan, India News, CNN-IBN, News 9X, Bhutan Broadcasting Services, PTV, BBC, and Voice of America.

Others

- Reviewer to various national and international journals.
- External Examiner of various M.Phil /Ph.D. Thesis/Dissertations
- Convener of various internal administrative committees at RIS.