

# ARVIND SAI CHENNUPATI

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Currently working part-time as a Senior Research Assistant at Employment and Education Research Center (EERC), School of Management and Labor Relations, Rutgers University. Working on the research studies at the intersection of education and employment sectors.

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Masters in Economics	2023 (expected)	Rutgers University, New Brunswick	4.0	GPA for Fall semester (2021)
Master of Arts, Development Studies	2017	Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad	7.3/10	Among <b>top 5</b> in the class
Bachelor of Arts, Social Sciences	2015		7.8/10	

## CONSULTING PROJECTS

<b>India Field Traveler</b> <b>India Field Traveling Program, GlobalGiving</b>	<i>May-July 2019</i>
<i>Responsibilities:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monitoring and Evaluation of the Non-profit partners across South and Central India</li><li>• Support the Non-profit partners in raising effectively through crowdfunding</li></ul> <i>Achievements:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Traveled to interior and remote areas across Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana</li><li>• Conducted <b>M&amp;E</b> of around 15 organizations working across various domains</li><li>• Supported in <b>Fundraising</b> for projects of Non-profit partners working in Education, Environment, Livelihood, Health through various crowdfunding mechanisms.</li></ul>	
<b>Farm Animal &amp; Wildlife Policy Consultant,</b> <b>Humane Society International/India, Hyderabad</b>	<i>Aug-Nov 2018</i>

*Responsibilities:*

- Research related to policy implementation and identifying policy gaps in farm animal welfare and wildlife
- Organizing events to spread awareness and education on key issues

*Achievements:*

- **Environmental impact assessment** of poultries in Andhra Pradesh
- Assisted in **organizing “The Future of Protein”**, a first of its kind conference bringing together 200+ leaders from government, food and agriculture research and food entrepreneurs
- **Ran HSI campaign** on Snake Bite Mitigation at Rural Strategy Summit, New Delhi
- **Advocated for Amer Fort elephants** by bringing welfare issues to the attention of Principal & Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Rajasthan
- **Designed conference agenda** for Sustainable Food Systems conference

**Rainforest Alliance(RFA) Compliance Framework Design,  
Sustainability Cell, ITC Pvt. Ltd., Agri-Business Division, Guntur**

*May-July 2018*

*Responsibilities:*

- Co-ordinated process of **Rainforest Alliance Certification** for ITC spice farms (412 farmers over 1000

ha) *Achievements:*

- **Designed the framework** for implementation of RFA criteria in ~1000 ha across 5 states
- **Created** all the **training content** for the staff and farmers on sustainable agriculture practices
- Identified gaps between current practices and RFA guidelines
- **Designed monitoring and evaluation framework** to ensure compliance of 119 RFA guidelines

**Human Resource Strategy Development for Director of Electronics,  
Dept. of IT, Electronics & Comm., Govt. of Telangana**

*May-June 2016*

*Responsibilities:*

- Extensive **requirement gathering** from industries (existing and upcoming)
- **Identify gaps** in current training programs of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and government departments.
- **Build a model ecosystem** for Academia, Industries, Students etc. to **provide industries with required skilled labor force.**

*Achievements:*

- Recommended **updates to academic curriculum** of ITIs to suit current markets
- **Developed guidelines** for matching aspirations of labor force to the expectations of industries

**Value Maximization from Coffee Supply Chain,  
Integrated Tribal Development Agency, Paderu**

*Nov 2015*

- Studied the coffee cultivation economy in Paderu agency area
- **Researched the supply chain** by visiting the coffee producing villages and traders
- Provided possible interventions that **increase tribal revenue by ~150%** with zero additional investment
- **Presented Paper** on “Economy of coffee cultivation in Paderu agency” in a workshop on “Rural Transformation: Possibilities, Prospects and Challenges” organized by School of livelihoods, TISS, Hyderabad on 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2016

## DISSERTATIONS AND RESEARCH

Survey of Tribal Health Conditions,  
Integrated Tribal Development Agency, Rampachodavaram

*Dec 2015 &  
Dec 2016*

- Reported to Project Officer (PO), Rampachodavaram
- Visited villages in each mandal and various health centers
- **Identified gaps in available facilities** and difficulties in accessing medical facilities.
- Presented a **detailed report** to PO on current health scenario
- **Wrote Master's Dissertation** on "Tribals access to tertiary health care".

Study of Price Volatility in Handloom Supply Chain  
Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad

*Feb 2015*

- **Wrote Bachelor's Dissertation** on Yarn Dynamics: Effect of price volatility and its availability on cotton handloom weavers

Policy Analysis of COTPA (Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Prohibition)  
Act - Center for Governance, Osmania University, Hyderabad

*May 2014*

Survey of Rural Education, PLAN, Adilabad

*Apr 2013*

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Member, Student's Committee  
Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad

*2014-2017*

- Represented TISS students in reviews with **UGC** and **NAAC**
- Contributed to **annual curriculum reviews** with TISS administration
- **Organized Quintessence** (TISS cultural festival)
- Class representative and Co-ordinator for **Academic Workshops**

Organized Red Cross blood donation camps in TISS, Hyderabad

*2014-2017*

## FREELANCE EXPERIENCE

Consultant  
Human Resources, Octahedron

*Oct 2017*

- Established the **Workplace Behavior and Sensitivity policy** for Octahedron, a US based IT firm
- Ground work and research to **set up their HR department** and compliance cell

**Voice-over Artist**  
**Virtual Learning Program, Pratham Education Foundation**

*2015-2017*

- Provided **voice-overs in Telugu** for a character named ‘Jugnu’
- Taught concepts in all subjects for students in classes I-VIII
- Program successfully implemented in few governments schools in districts of Telangana

**Data Translator and Transcriber**  
**Model District Education Project, Columbia Global Networks**

*Mar -Apr 2015*

- Translated and transcribed data collected in field research on classroom management: challenges and solutions in Telangana

## **SKILLS**

- Data analysis using Matlab, Stata, Q-GIS
- Video and audio editing
- Proficiency in Telugu, English and Hindi (fair) languages
- Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint and Excel)

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- Organized on campus Tee Design event
- NCC ‘A’ certificate for 25<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Guntur in the year 2009.
- **Won best short-film** award in Quintessence 2014.
- Qualified for **State level Skating** competitions in the year 2005.