

# **FERC - FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESEARCH CELL**

## **About FERC**

As the name suggests, the cell is for enhancing and providing valuable guidance and single platform for Research in Hansraj college. The cell was formed, keeping in mind the grave importance of scientific enquiry, data-based solutions and creative and rigorous thinking as fundamental outcomes of education.

Accordingly, we hold as our guiding principles, the following objectives-

- Bridging the gap in communication between teachers and students in the matters important to research. We have in accordance, worked to organise workshops, discussions, sessions etc. that address both technical necessities and important ideas.
- Creating a vibrant atmosphere, where technical research is discussed, encouraged and actively participated in by the entire college community. We seek to accomplish interesting new ideas accessible.
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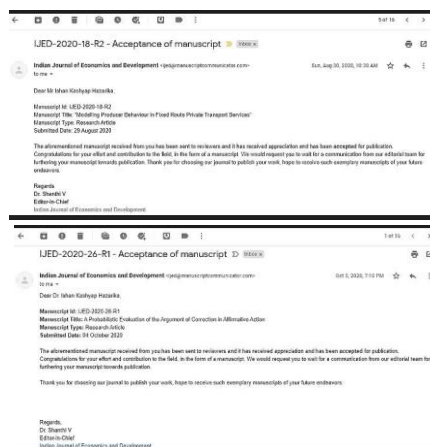
## Achievements

1ST JULY 2020 - 30TH JUNE 2021

### Research papers published or under peer-review-

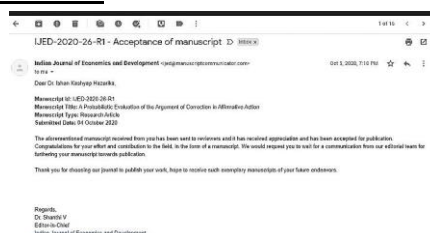
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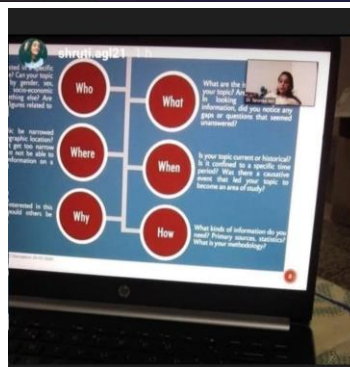
## Events Organised 1ST JULY 2020 - 30TH JUNE 2021

### Workshops/seminars conducted on Research Methodology and Topics-

- Dr. Tarunika Jain, Associate Professor, University of Delhi on 30th July 2020: The session addressed by Dr. Tarunika Jain introduced students to the process of conducting academic research in Economics and Finance, as well as the various fields and questions on which active research is being pursued by academics. The session was attended by 33 participants.

The poster is for a 'Research Session Series' event. It features a background of financial charts and data. The text on the poster includes:

- FERC** The Finance & Economics Research Cell, Hansraj College
- Presents
- Research Session Series**
- A Discussion Session with *Dr. Tarunika Jain*
- Topic- Research in Finance
- Dr. Tarunika Jain has done her PhD in Finance, Department of Financial Studies, DU. Has authored and coauthored 20+ research papers for international journals and been awarded Senior Research Fellowship by the UGC.
- Register now @ [tinyurl.com/feression](http://tinyurl.com/feression)
- Date- 30th July, Time- 5:00 PM
- For any queries, contact: Mahima - 9910212062, Shreya - 9995212012



- Mr. Akansh Khandelwal, Research Scholar, IIM Indore on 13th August 2020: Mr. Khandelwal presented his doctoral research on the rise of political consultancy in India, and provided insights on qualitative methods of research. The session was attended by 20 participants.

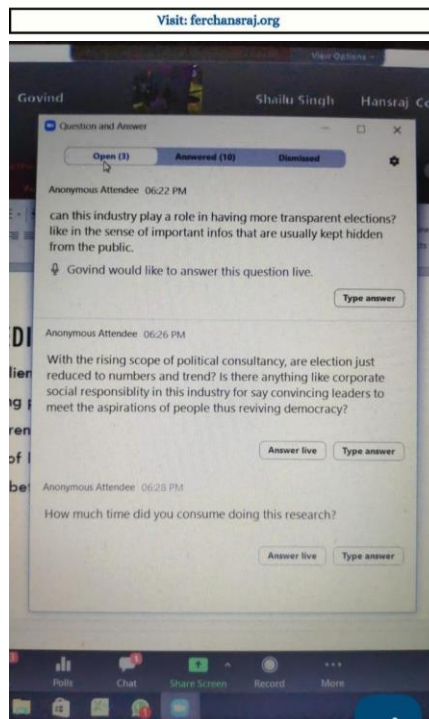
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 The Department of Commerce,  
 Hansraj College  
 presents  
**RESEARCH SESSION SERIES**  
 Topic 2: Experiences in Qualitative Research

Mr. Akansh is a research scholar at IIM Indore. He will present his research on the evolution of political consultancy, which is qualitative in nature and deals with the interview approach to research with an integration of economic theories with marketing.

Mr. Akansh Khandelwal

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 Date: 13 Aug 2020; Time: 06:30 PM

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- Dr. Udichibarna Bose, Lecturer, University of Essex on 29th August 2020: Dr. Bose discussed her paper on the financing of firms and the

export intensity thereafter. She shed light on the quantitative methods used by her in her study, such as difference-in-difference estimation. The session was attended by 39 participants.



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**DR. UDICHIBARNA BOSE**

Lecturer in Finance at the University of Essex, UK. She has presented her research at places such as the International Finance and Banking Society, the Royal Economic Society and the Emerging Market Groups Conference and has published her papers in several International Journals.

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**Topic: Does Easing Financing Matter for Firm Performance? Evidence from Export Intensity of Indian Firms**

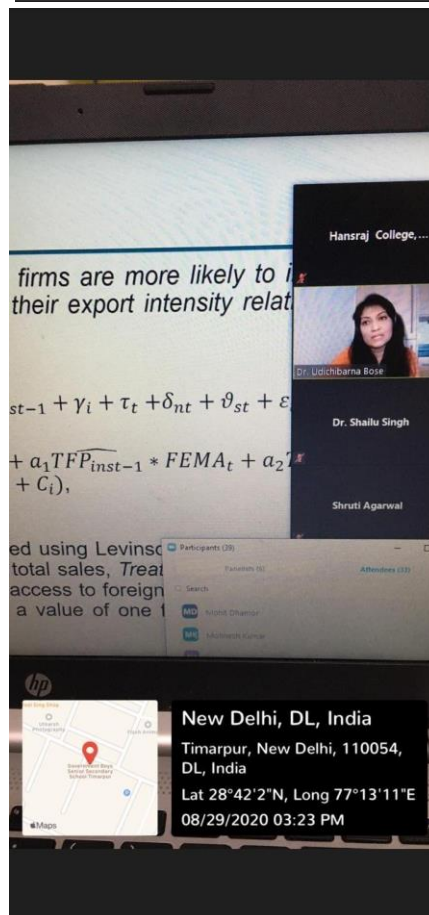
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- Ms. Mansi Nanda, Research Scholar, University of Cambridge on 16th October 2020: Ms. Nanda discussed her study on how communities shape educational outcomes in rural India. She shared her experiences in doing the work on the ground, and also explained qualitative survey methods. The session was attended by 30 participants.



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**Ms. MANSI NANDA**  
For this lecture, we have with us Ms. Mansi Nanda, a research scholar in Education at the University of Cambridge. She has conducted her research on topics such as 'Qualitative Study of Early Childhood Education In India' under ASER Centre, India. 'Accountability through the grassroots' under the University of Cambridge, UK and many other research projects under various renowned institutions and organisations. She also has experience as a Senior Research Associate in ASER Centre. She has various publications in numerous international journals to her name.

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**Lecture 5**

School community interactions and children's learning in rural Sitapur, India:  
A qualitative case study design to understand primary school teachers' views and perceptions.

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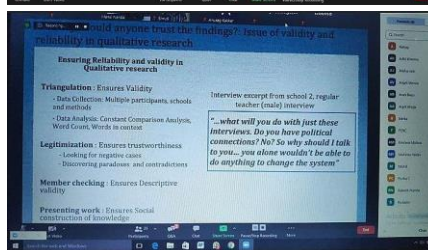
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School community interactions and children's learning: A qualitative case study design to understand teachers views in rural Sitapur

Research Seminar Series  
Lecture 5  
Hansraj College, Delhi University  
October 16, 2020

Mansi Nanda  
Faculty of Education  
University of Cambridge



Ensuring Reliability and validity in Qualitative research

**Triangulation** - Ensures Validity

- Data Collection: Multiple participants, schools and methods
- Data Analysis: Constant Comparison Analysis, Word Count, Words in context

**Legitimation** - Ensures trustworthiness

- Looking for negative cases
- Discerning paradoxes and contradictions

**Member checking** - Ensures Descriptive validity

**Presenting work** - Ensures Social construction of knowledge

Interview excerpt from school 2, regular teacher (male) interview

... what will you do with just these interviews. Do you have political connections? No? So why should I talk to you... you alone wouldn't be able to do anything to change the system?



## Research paper discussions indicated internally in the society-

- Prospect Theory by Kahneman and Tversky
- Has Finance made the world riskier? by Dr Raghuram Rajan
- College Admissions and the Stability of Marriage by Gale and Shapley
- “Why Did Financial Globalization Disappoint?” by Dani Rodrik and Arvind Subramanian
- The IKEA effect: when labour leads to love by Dan Ariely
- Why have leaders at all? Hume and hobbes, with a shot of Game theory by Kaushik Basu
- Job market signaling by Michael Spence
- Indian banks: a time to reform? By Viral V Acharya and Raghuram Rajan
- The New era of unconditional convergence by Dev Patel, Justin Sandefur and Arvind Subramanian



Research Buzz - Online weekly series mentioning popular research results/theorems.



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Research Session with Ms. Mansi, discussed the qualitative research paper.



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FERC has launched it's website for smooth and efficient working of the cell.

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**CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS**

**THEME**  
Concepts, models and ideas in

1. Finance
2. Economics

**GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION**

1. The word limit shall be 800-1800 words.
2. The articles shall be backed by verifiable data and trusted sources.
3. Articles covering current events shall be encouraged only if backed by technical or insightful analysis.

Submit your articles at  
[submissions@ferchansraj.org](mailto:submissions@ferchansraj.org)

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Monthly Calls for the articles.

## Pictures

