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EDUCATION

- Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi 2023 – Present
Master of Arts in Sustainability Science
- Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala 2020 – 2023
Bachelor of Arts in Economics
CGPA: 3.51/4.0
- Directorate of Higher Secondary Education, Kerala 2018 – 2020
Humanities
Grade: 96.58%

WORK & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Project Urvi - New Delhi, India

Research & Documentation Intern

Jan 2024 – Mar 2024

- Project Urvi is an initiative affiliated with Academia for Sustainable Development dedicated to addressing climate change issues affecting the global south.
- Collaborated with seasoned professionals devoted to combating climate change.
- Constructed policy articles outlining adaptation and mitigation strategies for addressing climate change impacts in the global south.
- Conducted research on climate change scenarios and documented findings for weekly newsletter.
- Coordinated as the Publicity Head for ClimateQuest, a National Level Research Presentation Event in collaboration with Fergusson College, Pune, and Global Youth for Environment and Sustainability (GY4ES).

Centre for Public Policy Research - Kochi, India

Urban Fellow

Jun 2023 – Dec 2023

- The Urban Fellowship is curated by Centre for Public Policy Research in partnership with Friedrich Naumann Foundation, South Asia to conduct policy research in the urban domain across Kerala.
- Attended team meetings, workshops, and educational sessions with bureaucrats and public policy experts to gain insights into the intricacies of urban policy issues.
- Proposed a potential solution to address the street lights problem in the Nedumkandam Panchayat.
- Organized stakeholder meetings and collected 111 signatures from locals, advocating for the installation of street lights.
- Constructed an issue brief on the problem and submitted it to the MLA of Udumbanchola constituency.

Forest Research Institute – Dehradun, India

Project Trainee

May 2023 – Jun 2023

- The Forest Research Institute is a research institute tasked with conducting studies on forestry under the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India.
- Worked on urban forestry under the supervision of scientists in the Division of Forest Ecology and Climate Change.
- Investigated climate risks and environmental destruction in the urban ecosystem.
- Conducted research on adaptation and mitigation strategies targeted at minimizing climate impacts in urban cities.

Kerala Forum on United Nations Academic Impact – Kerala, India

Joint Public Relations Officer

Jul 2022 – Oct 2023

- The Kerala Forum on United Nations Academic Impact promotes the vision and goals of the United Nations in the state of Kerala.
- Maintained strong communication among UNAI member colleges in the state.
- Served as the primary point of contact throughout the organizational structure.
- Prepared monthly reports for the Public Relations Officer, outlining the status of duties and events.
- Initiated contact with faculty coordinators of UNAI chapters to coordinate and organize events.

United Nations Academic Impact

Student Ambassador

Aug 2022 – Apr 2023

- Promoted the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) within the UNAI chapter of MES College Nedumkandam.
- Assisted the faculty coordinator and student coordinator in organizing events.
- Motivated faculties and students to align with and follow UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

United Nations Academic Impact

Student Coordinator

Sep 2020 – Aug 2022

- Arranged events in support of UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) within the UNAI chapter of MES College Nedumkandam.
- Coordinated the chapter in collaboration with the faculty coordinator and other team members.
- Organized meetings and classes for students to enhance their knowledge in environmental conservation.

National Service Scheme

Student Volunteer

Nov 2020 – Mar 2022

- Organized programmes with a focus on community service and social welfare.
- Attended various classes and sessions focusing on character and personality development.

National Service Scheme

Volunteers Leader

Jul 2018 – Mar 2020

- Led a team of 99 volunteers in organizing more than 50 events for the unit.
- Represented the unit at district, state, and national-level meetings and camps.
- Assisted the unit programme coordinator in organizing events and camps.

PROJECTS

- Non – Functioning Street Lights Problem in Nedumkandam 2023
Centre for Public Policy Research, Kerala
- Urban Forestry, Climate Amelioration, and Management 2023
*Division of Forest Ecology and Climate Change
Forest Research Institute, Dehradun*
- Climate Change and Cardamom Plantation with Reference to Idukki District 2022 – 2023
Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala
- Project on Organic Farming 2021 – 2022
Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala

PUBLICATIONS

- Dimming Progress: Addressing Non – Functioning Street Lights Problem in Nedumkandam Panchayat (Issue Brief) Jan 2024
Centre for Public Policy Research, Kerala
- Climate Change and Cardamom Plantation in Idukki, Kerala May 2023
*Climate Prospects Journal, Issue 3
Information and Decision Support Center (IDSC) – The Egyptian Cabinet*

CERTIFICATIONS

- Introduction to Sustainability & Development – *Deakin University*
- Introduction to Human Rights and the Environment – *UNITAR*
- Specialized Module on Cities and Climate Change – *UNITAR*
- Applying Behavioural Science to Policy and the Environment – *UN ESCAP*
- The Integration of the SDGs into National Planning – *UN ESCAP*
- Behavioural Insights and Strategic Planning – *UN ESCWA*
- System of Environmental Economic Accounting for Policy Makers – *UN Statistics Division*
- System of Environmental Economic Accounting: Ecosystem Accounting – *UN Statistics Division*
- System of Environmental Economic Accounting: Energy Accounting – *UN Statistics Division*
- Supervision Skills: Managing Groups & Employee Interaction – *Allison CPD Certified*
- Research Design & Data Analysis – *Mahatma Gandhi University*

SKILLS

- Languages: English, Malayalam, Tamil & Hindi
- Professional: Communication, Adaptability, Problem-Solving, Teamwork, Organizing, Creativity and Time-Management
- Technical: Adobe Photoshop, MS Office, Power BI and Presentation