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## Current Position

Since April, 2017 Post-Doctoral Fellow  
Centre for Modern Indian Studies, University Goettingen, Germany  
(with Sebastian Vollmer, Chair of Development Economics)

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

March, 2016 – March, 2017 IMMANA Post-Doctoral Fellow at Department of Economics,  
Columbia University, New York

Awarded in February 2016 PhD in Economics, Title: Essays in the Economics of Health in India)  
Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi

2007-09 Masters in Economics  
Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi

2004-07 Bachelors in Economics  
Ramjas College, University of Delhi

## WORK EXPERIENCE

8<sup>th</sup> June, 2009 – 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2013 Consultancy services as Research Assistant  
Provided research support for a range of projects, including those on nutrifarms,  
consumer acceptance of nutritious foods, and impact assessment of biofortified crops.  
Responsibilities included compiling data from secondary sources, data analysis  
(including choice experiment and auction data analysis, estimating difference-in-  
differences) and literature review.

## PUBLICATION

Mittal N, Vishwanath R, Vollmer S (forthcoming) Covid-19 in Ländern mit niedrigem  
oder mittlerem Einkommen: Das Beispiel Indien. Perspektiven der Wirtschaftspolitik,  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/pwp-2020-0028>

Bommer C, Mittal N, Vollmer S (forthcoming) The Impact of Nutritional Interventions  
on Child Health and Cognitive Development. Annual Review of Resource Economics,  
DOI: [10.1146/annurev-resource-110519-093256](https://doi.org/10.1146/annurev-resource-110519-093256)

Mittal N, Meenakshi JV (2019) Does the ICDS Improve Children's Diets? Some Evidence  
from Rural Bihar. The Journal of Development Studies, 55(11): 2424-2439

Gupta P, Mittal N, Kulkarni A, Meenakshi J V, Bhatia V (2015) Secular trend, obesity and  
the growth of the middle socio-economic group children in Lucknow, India. National

Medical Journal of India, 28(1): 4-7

Meenakshi J V, Banerji A, Manyong V, Tomlins K, Mittal N, Hamukwala P (2012) Using a discrete choice experiment to elicit the demand for a nutritious food: willingness to pay for orange maize in rural Zambia. *Journal of Health Economics*, 31(1): 62-71

#### RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

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*Utilization of ICDS services and their impact on child weight in three East Indian States*  
*Understanding the pathways to improving young child nutrition in rural India*  
*Validation of measures of Diet Quality and Quantity*  
*Economic growth, infant mortality and child health outcomes*  
*Dietary Diversity and health outcomes in rural-urban interface*  
*Social cohesion among Turkish and Syrian youth*

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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##### Conferences

Growth and Development Conference held in December, 2018, at Indian Statistical Institute  
ANH Academy Week in June, 2016 organized by LCIRAH  
Winter School held in December, 2015 at Delhi School of Economics  
2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Global Food Security held in October, 2015, organized by Cornell University.  
Minimum data set for nutrition workshop held in February, 2014, organized by ICRISAT and Tata-Cornell Agriculture and Nutrition Initiative, at ICRISAT  
Winter School held in December, 2013 at Delhi School of Economics  
Conference on child height, stunting, early life disease, and sanitation held in August, 2013, organized by RICE Institute and Delhi School of Economics, at Delhi School of Economics  
Growth and Development Conference held in December, 2010, at Indian Statistical Institute

##### Research Grants

- Principal Investigator for a project funded by ICRISAT and hosted by Center of Development Economics
- VDSA Competitive Field Research Fellowship by ICRISAT for 2012-13