

Personal Profile – Alope Kar

Educational qualification:

B.Stat. (Hons.) and M.Stat. (Econometrics and Planning specialisation)
from Indian Statistical Institute.

Work experience:

1. Served Indian Statistical Service (ISS) for more than 25 years [1981-2006]

Main areas of work – (i) Developing survey designs and survey instruments, formulating edit and imputation rules, analysis of survey results and writing survey reports for household and establishment surveys in the Survey Design and Research Division (SDRD) of the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO).

(ii) Exploratory research relating to implementation of 1993 SNA recommendations and analysis of unit-level data (micro data) of Employment and Unemployment Surveys and Enterprise surveys for compiling national accounts statistics, at the national and regional level, in the National Accounts Division (NAD) of the Central Statistical Office (CSO).

2. United Nations for about 7 years [2007 – 2013]

Main areas of work – (i) Providing advisory services to member countries of UN-ESCWA – the Arabic speaking countries of West Asia – on different areas of economic statistics including national accounts, price statistics, and economic surveys.

(ii) Developing training curricula and training materials (for both face-to-face and distance learning) and serving as instructor for a variety of subject areas, mainly concerning statistical methods and economic statistics at the Statistical Institute of Asia and the Pacific (UN-SIAP), a training institution under the UN-ESCAP.

Present engagements:

1. Visiting Scientist at the Sampling and Official Statistics Unit (SOSU) of Indian Statistical Institute for more than 3 years [from 2014 till date 2006]

Main areas of work –

(i) Teaching:

(a) Have taken courses on Sample Surveys for the ISEC students for three years.

(b) Taking lectures on National Accounts for the B.Stat. and M.Stat. students of ISI.

- (c) Delivering lecture on Basic Concepts of Sampling and Survey Data Processing as a part of training of Statistical officers of North-Eastern States.
 - (ii) Research:
 - (a) Empirical analysis of outsourcing behaviour of manufacturing industries in India..
 - (b) Critical examination of sampling designs adopted by the NSSO for conducting household surveys in rural areas.
- 2. Working for Government of India: Served as members in the following Committees constituted by the National Statistical Commission (NSC) [since 2014]
 - (i) Working group for the NSS 73rd Round survey on Unincorporated Non-Agricultural Enterprises in Manufacturing, Trade and Other Services (excluding Construction)
 - (ii) Core Group of the Working Group for the NSS 74th Round survey on Services Sector based on list frame as a prelude to conducting Annual Survey on Services.
 - (iii) Committee on Real Sector Statistics.
- 3. Working for International organisations: [since 2014]
 - (i) As a resource person for the Training on Understanding Estimation of Agriculture Share in GDP conducted by the Asian Development Bank (ADB), 10-14 March 2014 at the Centre for Agricultural Statistics, Vientiane, Lao PDR.
 - (ii) As a resource person of the International Labour Office (ILO) for the training workshop on tabulation plan and report writing held during 9-13 February 2015 for government officials of Myanmar involved in the survey on Labour Force-Child Labour and School-to-Work Transition Survey conducted jointly by the Department of Labour and Central Statistical Office of Myanmar with the assistance of ILO.
 - (iii) As a Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Consultant for conducting a short-term training programme on Sampling Methodology (contextual to Agricultural and Rural Statistics), during 5 – 9 July 2015 at Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics, Dhaka.
 - (iv) As an External Collaborator of ILO for reviewing and checking validated dataset and draft tables of Child Labour Survey conducted by the ILO in Myanmar and finalizing the survey report – Aug. to Oct. 2015 (extended till Dec. 2015).
 - (v) As a consultant of the UN-ESCAP for working as a resource person for the Second Regional Training Course on Sampling Methods for Producing Core Data Items for Agricultural and Rural Statistics, 9 – 20 November 2015, Jakarta, Indonesia.

- (vi) As an External Collaborator of ILO for reviewing and checking estimation procedure of Child Labour Survey conducted by the International Labour Office (ILO) in Lebanon and finalizing the survey report – Feb. – Mar. 2016.
 - (vii) As a resource person for Capacity Development of the National Statistical System of Myanmar – SurveySampling – 24 March 2016 to 04 April 2016 appointed by the Asian Development Bank (ADB).
 - (viii) As a consultant of the UN-ESCAP for working as a resource person for the Third Regional Training Course on Sampling Methods for Producing Core Data Items for Agricultural and Rural Statistics, October 2016, Jakarta, Indonesia.
 - (ix) As a consultant of the UN-ESCAP for conducting the Regional Course on Integrated Economic Statistics to Support 2008 SNA Implementation, 18 – 21 April 2017, Bangkok, Thailand.
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