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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:

- 2016 - 20: **Ph.D. in Demography**, “*Emerging Patterns of Marriage and Fertility Behavior Among Women in India*”, Centre for Demographic Research (DEMO), Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium.
- 2011 - 13: **M.Phil. in Population Studies**, “*A Comparative Analysis of Nuptiality, Fertility, and Reproductive Health in Selected States of India*”, Centre for the Study of Regional Development (CSR), Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. (Grade A)
- 2009 - 11: **M.A. in Population Geography**, CSR, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. (Grade A)
- 2006 - 09: **B.Sc. in Geography** (Honours), Rani Birla Girls College, Calcutta University, India.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- 2021 - Curr: **Post-Doctoral Associate**, Social Science Division, New York University, Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- 2020 - 21: **Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique Aspirant Researcher**, DEMO, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium.
- 2015 - 15: **Junior Project Consultant**, National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi.
- 2013 - 14: **Research Associate**, Indian Institute of Dalit Studies, New Delhi.
- 2013 - 13: **Guest Lecturer**, Geography Department, Dyal Singh College, Delhi University, New Delhi.
- 2014 - 15: **Data Analyst** (for Prof. R. K. Sharma), CSR, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. (**Part-time**)
- 2014 - 14: **Teaching Assistant** (for Prof. A. Banerjee), CSR, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. (**Unpaid**)

PUBLICATIONS:

Peer-Reviewed Journals:

- 2023: **Sarkar K.** & Rizzi E. “*Delinking the family, culture and regional factors affecting self-arranged marriages in India*”, **Marriage and Family Review** (Forthcoming). [Link to Working Paper](#).
- 2023: **Sarkar K.** “*Emerging patterns of lowest-low fertility*.” **An Atlas of Gender Disparity in India, Springer** (Edited volume, forthcoming).
- 2022: **Sarkar K.** “*Can status exchanges explain educational hypogamy in India?*” **Demographic Research**, 46(28): 809-848. [Link](#).
- 2021: Baudin, T. & **Sarkar, K.** “*Education and childlessness in India*.” **Population**, 76 (3): 461-486. [Link](#).

Media and Magazines:

- 2022: **Sarkar K.** & Baudin T. “*Increasing childlessness driven by higher female education in India*.” **N-IUSSP**. [Link](#).
- 2022: **Sarkar K.** “*The educational hypogamy puzzle in India*.” **N-IUSSP**. [Link](#).

Book Chapters:

- 2019: **Sarkar K.** “*Maternal Health Care in India: A Regional Perspective*.” Contemporary Health Issues in India: Challenges and Responses, **New Delhi: Rajesh Publications**, First Edition (ISBN No: 978-81-94186-68-7). [Link](#).
- 2016: **Sarkar K.** “*Fertility Transition in India: Emerging Significance of Infertility and Childlessness*.” Monograph, **Population, and Development**, (ISBN No: 978-92-82411-11-6). [Link](#).
- 2016: Banerjee A. & **Sarkar K.** “*Violence against Women – A Case Study of Domestic Violence among Married Women in India*.” Development, Security and Regional Cooperation in Central and South Asia: Euro-Asian Perspectives, **Sweden: Stockholm University Press** (ISBN No: 978-81-827-4864-4).

- 2012: **Sarkar K.** “*Gender Differentials and Determinants of Child Health in India.*” International Congress on Social & Cultural Studies, 1, 53-63 (ISBN No: 978-84-612- 8475-7).
- 2012: **Sarkar K.** “*Population Growth and Its Impact on Forestry in the North-Eastern States of India.*” ***Environmental Degradation- Issues and Challenges***, Vol- 1, Pages 51-57. (ISBN No: 978-81-923088-0-7).

WORKING PAPERS:

- **Sarkar, K.** & Kornrich, S. “*Breaking the bonds of tradition? Dating relationships in Indian cities.*” Sabino Kornrich is an associate professor of sociology at NYU Abu Dhabi.
- **Sarkar, K.**, Pesando, L. & Kornrich, S. “*Changing partnership ideals with digital technologies*” Luca Maria Pesando is an associate professor of sociology at NYU Abu Dhabi.
- **Sarkar, K.** & Torrissi, O. “*Intergenerational transmission of love marriage in India*” Orsola Torrissi has completed her Ph.D. from the London School of Economics and is currently a postdoc at NYU Abu Dhabi.
- Bharti, N., Pesando, L. & **Sarkar, K.** “*Dynamics of school expansion and sociocultural changes in marriage in India*” Nitin Kumar Bharti has completed his Ph.D. from the Paris School of Economics and is currently a postdoc at NYU Abu Dhabi.
- **Sarkar K.** & Chen M. “*Cultural adaptability of desired family size among migrant women in India*” Mengni Chen is an assistant professor of demography at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark.
- **Sarkar, K.** & Baudin, T. “*Has the ‘SABLA Scheme in India’ benefitted adolescent women in terms of marriage and fertility decisions?*” Thomas Baudin is an associate professor of economics at the University of Paris.
- **Sarkar, K.** & Guilmoto, C. Z. “*Spatial patterns and associations of lowest-low fertility in India: childlessness and single childness.*” Christophe Z. Guilmoto is a professor of demography at the University of Paris.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES:

- **Mentored Capstone Projects**, Social Science Division, New York University, Abu Dhabi, 2022-23.
- **Reviewer for Journals:** Demography, Demographic Research, Spatial Demography, Journal of Asian and African Studies, PlosOne, SSM - Qualitative Research in Health, Academia. [Publons Web of Science Researcher ID: GLV-0633-2022.](#)
- **Ph.D. Representative** for doctoral students, DEMO, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium, 2017-19.
- **Editorial support** for India Higher Education Report 2015 edited by N. V. Varghese and Garima Malik, Routledge India. [Link](#).

FUNDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

- 2017: **Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique Aspirant** National Scholarship, (**101,000 Euros**), 2017-2021, Belgium.
- 2016: **ARC Fellowship**, Catholic University of Louvain, (**45,600 Euros**), 2015-2017, Belgium.
- 2016: Funding awarded for participation in the Summer School on “The Demography of Health and Education” at Wittgenstein Centre for Demography, Vienna University of Economics and Business, (**500 Euros**), Vienna.
- 2013: Funding awarded by **United Nations (UNFPA)** to present paper, ‘*Changing Attitude of Women in terms of Marriage, Fertility Behaviour and Reproductive health in Uttar Pradesh, India*’ in IWAC Conference, (**652 Euros**), Bangkok.
- 2012: Funding awarded by **United Nations (UNFPA)** to present paper ‘*Women’s Fertility Behaviour in West Bengal, India- Levels, Trends and Determinants*’ in Asian Population Association Conference, (**977 Euros**), Bangkok.
- 2012: Funding awarded by **Asian Population Association** to participate in Asian Population Association International Conference, (**Indian Rupees 25,000**), Bangkok.
- 2011: **National Eligibility Test with Junior / Senior Research Fellowship (Net-JRF)**, Centre for Scientific and Industrial Research, in Earth Ocean and Planetary Sciences (2011). Also, University Grants Commission in Geography (NET-2011) and Population Studies (NET-JRF-2012), India.

AWARDS:

- 2012: **Best Paper Award** for the paper, '*Women's Fertility Behaviour in West Bengal, India- Levels, Trends and Determinants*', in Indian Association for the Studies of Population Conference, Pune, **India**.
- 2009: Awarded '**First Position**' in the undergraduate program, **Geography Department**, Rani Birla Girl's College, Calcutta University, **India**.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION:

- American Sociological Association: "*Self-Arranged Marriages in India*" & "Lowest-Low fertility in India, Los Angeles, **USA**, 2022.
- Midi de la recherche: "*Love Marriage in India*", Catholic University of Louvain, **Belgium**, 2019.
- Population Association of America: "*Love Marriage in India*" Austin, **USA**, 2019.
- ARC Workshop: "*Modern Indian Marriages*" Durbuy, **Belgium**, 2018.
- European Population Conference: "*Childlessness in India*" **Brussels**, 2018.
- Population Association of America: "*Childlessness among Married Women in India*" Denver, **USA**, 2018.
- IUSSP Conference: "*Emerging Childlessness in India: A matter of choice or despair*" Cape Town, **South Africa**, 2017.
- Young Demographer's Conference: "*Emerging Childlessness in India: a matter of choice or despair?*" **Prague**, 2017.
- European Population Conference: "*Differential Utilization of Reproductive Health Care in India*", Mainz, **Germany**, 2016.
- POPS INED Young Researcher's Conference: "*Levels and Trends of Age at Marriage and First Birth in India*" Paris, **France**, 2016.
- REVES Meeting: "*Malaria Burden in India: Prevalence and Performance of Health Services*" Vienna, **Austria**, 2016.
- ARC Workshop: "*Emerging significance of Infertility in India*" Durbuy, **Belgium**, 2016.
- Bhopal Seminar: "*Fertility Transition in India: Emerging Significance of Infertility and Childlessness*" Bhopal, **India**, 2016.
- Development, Security and Regional Cooperation in Central and South Asia: Euro-Asian Perspective: "*A Case Study of Domestic Violence among Married Women in India*" Stockholm University & Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, **India**, 2014.
- IWAC International Conference: "*Changing Attitude of Women in terms of Marriage, Fertility Behaviour, and Reproductive health in Uttar Pradesh, India*" Bangkok, **Thailand**, 2013.
- Indian Association for the Studies of Population: "*Women's Fertility Behaviour in West Bengal*" Pune, **India**, 2012.
- Asian Population Association: "*Women's Fertility Behaviour in West Bengal*" Bangkok, **Thailand**, 2012.

SOFTWARE SKILLS:

- Data analysis - **STATA, SPSS, (learning R)**.
- Spatial analysis - **ARC-GIS, GEODA**. Completed certified course in **GIS & Remote Sensing** with grade A.
- Others - **MS Office; Latex**.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY:

- ENGLISH
- HINDI
- BENGALI
- FRENCH (A-2, beginner)

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

- Badminton enthusiast, won tournaments in India and Belgium, 2012 - 2019.
- Convener of Badminton Club, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, 2012 - 2014.
- Core organizers of annual seminar Chaire Quetelet (2016 - 2017), Center for Demographic Research, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium.