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### **EDUCATION**

INSTITUTION	DEGREE	DATE
Harvard University Cambridge, Massachusetts	Ph.D.	1988
Jawaharlal University New Delhi, India	M.A.	1983
University of Calcutta Calcutta, India	B.Sc.	1981

TITLE OF DOCTORAL THESIS: *Essays on Information Economics*

### **FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS:**

Honorary Doctor of Laws, University of Pennsylvania, 2023  
Banga Vibhushan, highest civilian honor of the Government of West Bengal, 2022  
Golden Plate Award, Academy of Achievement, 2022  
Honorary Doctorate, École Normale Supérieure de Lyon, 2022 Honoree, A100 List, 2020  
Member, National Academy of Sciences, 2020  
Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economics in Memory of Alfred Nobel, 2019  
Jean Jacques Laffont Lecture, AFSE, 2018  
Tanner Lecture on Human Values, University of Oxford, 2018 Amlan Dutta Lecture, University of Kolkata, 2018  
Sanjaya Lall Visiting Professor at University of Oxford, Trinity Term 2015  
Bernhard Harms Prize (Kiel Institute for the World Economy), 2014 Honorary Doctoral degree, KU Leuven, 2014  
The Albert O. Hirschman Prize (The Social Science Research Council), 2014 Gabarron International Award for Economics, 2013  
Sherar Shera Bengali (Best of the Best Bengali) 2012 Foreign Policy Magazine's Top 100 Global Thinkers 2011 Anaya Samman, Kolkata, 2011  
Infosys Award in Social Sciences, 2009  
BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Award for Development Cooperation, 2009  
International Research Fellow, Kiel Institute [www.ifw-kiel.de](http://www.ifw-kiel.de), 2008  
Honorary Consultant in PEO, Planning Commission, India, 2008  
Albert Hirschman Lecture, 2007  
Economic Journal Lecture, 2007

Honorary Visiting Professor, Institute of Development Studies Kolkata, 2006  
 D. Gale Johnson Lecture, University of Chicago, 2006  
 Michael Wallerstein Award, American Political Science Association, 2006  
 IEPR Distinguished Lecture, University of Southern California, 2006  
 Member, Council of the Econometric Society, 2004-  
 American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Fellow, 2004-  
 Kuznets Lecture, 2004, Yale University  
 National Institutes on Aging Grant "Health Care and Health Status in Rajasthan, India"  
 sub-grant under "Economics of Aging," 2004 - 2009  
 Romesh Chandra Dutt Lecturer, 2003, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta.  
 Distinguished Visitor, Washington University, St. Louis, 2003  
 National Science Foundation Grant "Inequality, Growth & Trade Policy," 2002-2006  
 Malcolm Adeshesiah Award, 2001  
 Mahalanobis Memorial Medal, 2000, India  
 Guggenheim Fellow, 2000  
 "Creativity Extension" of National Science Foundation Grant 1998-2000  
 MacArthur Foundation Grant under the Costs of Inequality Project, 1996-2002  
 Fellow of the Econometric Society, 1996-  
 National Science Foundation Grant, 1995-98  
 Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow, 1994-96  
 Institute for Policy Reform Junior Fellow, 1993  
 IRIS Scholar, 1993

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

2003- Ford Foundation International Professor of Economics, M.I.T.  
 2003- Director, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab, M.I.T.  
 2018-2019 Visiting Professor of Economics, Paris School of Economics  
 1996-2003 Professor of Economics, M.I.T.  
 1994-1996 Associate Professor of Economics, M.I.T.  
 1993-1994 Pentti J.K. Kouri Career Development Associate  
 Professor of Economics, M.I.T.  
 1992-1993 Assistant Professor of Economics, Harvard University  
 1988-1992 Assistant Professor of Economics, Princeton University  
 1991 (Fall) Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Harvard University

### **FIELDS OF INTEREST**

Economic Development  
 Information Theory  
 Theory of Income Distribution  
 Macroeconomics

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Trustee, British Museum, 2021 –  
 Co-chair, Global Education Evidence Advisory Panel, 2020 –  
 Trustee, Save the Children, 2016 –  
 Member, United Nations High-level Panel on the Post-2015 Development Agenda, 2012 – 2013 Member,  
 Panel for the Evaluation of World Bank Research (with Angus Deaton, Nora Lustig and Ken  
 Rogoff), 2006  
 Member, Advanced Market Commitment Working Group, Center for Global Development, 2003-2006

Member of Board of Editors, *Journal of Economic Literature*, 2006 - 2010  
 Research Fellow at the Center for Economics and Policy Research, 2006 –  
 Member, Quality of Learning Outcomes Advisory Panel, Hewlett Foundation, 2006 –  
 Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research, 2006-  
 Member of Board of Editors, *American Economic Review*, 2005-2009  
 President, Bureau for Research in Economic Analysis and Development, 2003-2004  
 Associate Editor, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 1993-95.  
 Member of Editorial Board, *Review of Development Studies*, 1996-  
 Foreign Editor, *Review of Economic Studies*, 1998-2004  
 Panel Member, LACEA, 2000-2002  
 Referee for the following Journals: *American Economic Review*, *Econometrica*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Economics and Politics*, *Games and Economic Behavior*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Law and Economics*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Rand Journal of Economics*, *Review of Economic Studies*.  
 Referee for the National Science Foundation

### **MIT ACTIVITIES AND COMMITTEES**

Theory Senior Hiring Committee, Department of Economics, 1994-95.  
 Graduate Admissions Committee, Department of Economics, 1994-95.  
 Junior Recruitment Committee, Department of Economics, 1993-94.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **\*BOOKS:**

- 2024 Chhaunk On Food, Economics And Society (with Illustrator Cheyenne Oliver), Juggernaut Books
- 2021 Cooking to Save Your Life, Delhi: Juggernaut Books
- 2019 Good Economics for Hard Times (with Esther Duflo), New York: PublicAffairs  
*Winner of "Deutscher Wirtschaftsbuchpreis," Best Business Book of the Year, sponsored by Handelsblatt, the Frankfurt Book Fair, and Goldman Sachs*
- 2019 What the Economy Needs Now (co-edited with Gita Gopinath, Raghuram Rajan, and Mihir S. Sharma), Delhi: Juggernaut Books.
- 2017 Handbook of Field Experiments, Vol. 1 and 2, (with Esther Duflo), North-Holland (an imprint of Elsevier).
- 2011 Poor Economics, (with Esther Duflo), New York: PublicAffairs  
*Winner of Goldman Sachs Business Book of the Year*
- 2007 Making Aid Work, Cambridge: MIT Press.
- 2006 Understanding Poverty (co-edited with Roland Benabou and Dilip Mookherjee), Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2005 Volatility and Growth (with Philippe Aghion), Oxford: Oxford University Press.

## **\*DOCUMENTARIES**

2019 The Magnificent Journey: Times and Tales of Democracy (co-directed with Ranu Ghosh).

2006 The Name of the Disease (co-directed with Arundhati Tuli Banerjee, Bappa Sen, Konkona Sen Sharma, and Sumit Ghosh). Cambridge, MA: I-mage Productions.

## **\*JOURNAL ARTICLES and WORKING PAPERS**

### **2025**

Selecting the Most Effective Nudge: Evidence From a Large-Scale Experiment on Immunization (Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Suresh Dalpath, Esther Duflo, John Floretta, Matthew O. Jackson, Harini Kannan, Francine Loza, Anirudh Sankar, Anna Schrimpf, Maheshwor Shrestha) *Econometrica*, Vol. 93(4), July 2025

“Financial Spillover Effects from Electronic Government Transfers: Evidence from an At-Scale Experiment in Indonesia” (with Rema Hanna, Benjamin A. Olken, Elan Satriawan, Sudarno Sumarto) *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, May 2025

“Children’s arithmetic skills do not transfer between applied and academic mathematics” (with Esther Duflo, Swati Bhattacharjee, Raghavendra Chattopadhyay, Alejandro J. Ganimian, Kailash Rajah, Elizabeth S. Spelke) *Nature*, February 2025

“Better strategies for saving more: Evidence from three interventions in Chile” (with Claudia Martínez A., Esteban Puentes) *Journal of Development Economics*, 2025

"The Efficient Deployment of Police Resources: Theory and New Evidence from a Randomized Drunk Driving Crackdown in India" (with Esther Duflo, Louis-Maël Jean, Daniel Keniston, Nina Singh) *Econometrica*, February 2025

“Children’s arithmetic skills do not transfer between applied and academic mathematics” (with Esther Duflo, Swati Bhattacharjee, Raghavendra Chattopadhyay, Alejandro J. Ganimian, Kailash Rajah, and Elizabeth S. Spelke) *Nature*, February 2025

### **2024**

“Can a Trusted Messenger Change Behavior when Information is Plentiful? Evidence from The First Months of the COVID-19 pandemic in West Bengal” (with Marcella Alsan, Emily Breza, Abhijit Chowdhury, Esther Duflo, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, and Benjamin Olken) *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, Forthcoming.

“Voters’ Awareness of Social Insurance Programs Impacts Electoral Candidature: Experimental Evidence from India” (with Esther Duflo, Clément Imbert, and Rohini Pande), *Working Paper*, August 2024

“Public Information is an Incentive for Politicians: Experimental Evidence from Delhi Elections” (with Nils Enevoldsen, Rohini Pande, and Michael Walton), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, forthcoming, July 2024

“Changes in Social Network Structure in Response to Exposure to Formal Credit Markets” (with Emily Breza, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Esther Duflo, Matthew O. Jackson and Cynthia Kinnan), *Review of Economic Studies*, (see NBER working paper 28365), May 2024

“Do Collusive Norms Maximize Profits? Evidence From A Vegetable Market in India” (with Greg Fischer,

Dean Karlan, Matt Lowe, and Benjamin N. Roth), *NBER Working Paper, 30360, April 2024*

“Social Protection in the Developing World”(with Rema Hanna, Benjamin A. Olken and Diana Sverdlin-Lisker), *Working Paper, Prepared for the Journal of Economic Literature, April 2024.*

## 2023

“When Less is More: Experimental Evidence on Information Delivery during India's Demonetization” (with Emily Breza, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, and Benjamin Golub), *conditionally accepted, Review of Economic Studies, July 2023 (see NBER working paper 24679).*

“Consensus and Disagreement: Information Aggregation under (not so) Naive Learning” (with Olivier Compte), *conditionally accepted, Journal of Political Economy, June 2023.*

“Public Information is an Incentive for Politicians: Experimental Evidence from Delhi Elections" (with Nils Enevoldsen, Rohini Pande, and Michael Walton), *forthcoming, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, 2023.*

“Effects of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Cash Transfers on Older Persons Living Alone in India: A Randomized Trial” (with Madeline McKelway, Erin Grela, Frank Schilbach, Miriam Sequeira, Garima Sharma, Girija Vaidyanathan, and Esther Duflo), *Annals of Internal Medicine, 176(5): 632-641, May 2023.*

“Depression and Loneliness among the Elderly in Low- and Middle-Income Countries” (with Esther Duflo, Erin Grela, Madeline McKelway, Frank Schilbach, Garima Sharma, and Girija Vaidyanathan). *Journal of Economic Perspectives, 37(2): 179-202, Spring 2023.*

“Electronic Food Vouchers: Evidence from an At-Scale Experiment in Indonesia” (with Rema Hanna, Benjamin A. Olken, Elan Satriawan, and Sudarno Sumarto), *American Economic Review, 113(2), pp. 514-547, February 2023.*

## 2022

“Depression and Loneliness Among the Elderly Poor” (with Esther Duflo, Erin Grela, Madeline McKelway, Frank Schilbach, Garima Sharma, and Girija Vaidyanathan), *Working paper, December 2022.*

“The Impact of Large-Scale Social Media Advertising Campaigns on COVID-19 Vaccination: Evidence from Two Randomized Controlled Trails” (with Lisa Y. Ho, Emily Breza, Marcella Alsan, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Fatima Cody Stanford, Renato Fior, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Kelly Holland, Emily Hoppe, Louis-Maël Jean, Lucy Ogbu-Nwobodo, Benjamin A. Olken, Carlos Torres, Pierre-Luc Vautrey, Erica Warner, and Esther Duflo), *Working Paper, November 2022 (see NBER working paper 30618).*

“Social Protection in the Developing World” (with Rema Hanna, Benjamin A. Olken, and Diana Sverdlin-Lisker) *Working Paper, September 2022.*

“Unpacking a Multi-Faceted Program to Build Sustainable Income for the Very Poor” (with Dean Karlan, Robert Osei, Hannah Trachtman, and Christopher Udry), *Journal of Development Economics, Volume 155, March 2022.*

“End COVID-19 in low- and middle-income countries” (with Ahmed Mushfiq Mobarak, Edward Miguel, Jason Abaluck, Amrita Ahuja, Marcella Alsan, Emily Breza, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Esther Duflo, James Dzansi, Denise Garrett, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Gregg S. Gonsalves, Muhammad Maqsood Hossain, Aleksandra Jakubowski, Gagandeep Kang, Arjun Kharel, Michael Kremer, Niccolo Meriggi, Carol Nekesa, Benjamin A. Olken, Saad B. Omer, Firdausi Qadri, Helen Rees, Babatunde Salako, Maarten Voors, Shana Warren, and Witold Wiecek), *Science, Volume 375, Issue 6585, March 2022.*

“Consensus and Disagreement: Information Aggregation under (not so) Naïve Learning,” (with Olivier Compte), *Working paper, January 2022*.

## 2021

“Long-term Effects of the Targeting the Ultra Poor Program” (with Esther Duflo and Garima Sharma), *American Economic Review: Insights, Volume 3, No. 4, December 2021*.

“Naïve Learning with Uninformed Agents,” (with Emily Breza, Arun Chandrasekhar, and Markus Mobius), *American Economic Review, Volume 111, No. 11, November 2021*.

"The Challenges of Universal Health Insurance in Developing Countries: Experimental Evidence from Indonesia's National Health Insurance," (with Amy Finkelstein, Rema Hanna, Benjamin A. Olken, Arianna Ornaghi, and Sudarno Sumarto), *American Economic Review, Volume 111, No. 9, September 2021*.

“Effects of a large-scale social media advertising campaign on holiday travel and COVID-19 infections: a cluster randomized controlled trial” (with Emily Breza, Fatima Cody Stanford, Marcella Alsan, Burak Alsan, Abhijit Banerjee, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Sarah Eichmeyer, Traci Glushko, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Kelly Holland, Emily Hoppe, Mohit Karnani, Sarah Liegl, Tristan Loisel, Lucy Ogbu-Nwobodo, Benjamin A. Olken, Carlos Torres, Pierre-Luc Vautrey, Erica T. Warner, Susan Wootton and Esther Duflo.), *August 2021, Nature Medicine*

“Effect of Physician-Delivered COVID-19 Public Health Messages and Messages Acknowledging Racial Inequity on Black and White Adults’ Knowledge, Beliefs, and Practices Related to COVID-19,” (with Carlos Torres, Lucy Ogbu-Nwobodo, Marcella Alsan, Fatima Cody Stanford, Emily Breza, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Sarah Eichmeyer, Mohit Karnani, Tristan Loisel, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Benjamin A. Olken, Pierre-Luc Vautrey, Erica Warner, and Esther Duflo), *JAMA Network Open, July 2021*

“Doctors and Nurses Social Media Ads Reduced Holiday Travel Plans and Covid-19 Infections: A cluster randomized controlled trial in 13 States,” (with Emily Breza, Fatima Cody Stanford, Marcela Alsan, Burak Alsan, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Esther Duflo, Sarah Eichmeyer, Traci Glushko, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Kelly Holland, Emily Hoppe, Mohit Karnani, Sarah Liegl, Tristan Loisel, Lucy Ogbu-Nwobodo, Benjamin A. Olken Carlos Torres, Pierre-Luc Vautrey, Erica Warner, Susan Wootton), *Working paper, June 2021*

“Selecting the Most Effective Nudge: Evidence from a Large-Scale Experiment on Immunization”, (with Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Suresh Dalpath, Esther Duflo, John Floretta, Matthew O. Jackson, Harini Kannan, Francine Loza, Anirudh Sankar, Anna Schrimpf, and Maheshwor Shrestha), *April 2021. (see NBER, CEPR and BREAD working papers)*

“Match-Making is Difficult: Experimental & Quasi-Experimental Evidence from a Carpooling Platform” (with Rema Hanna, and Zoë Hitzig), *February 2021*

“Improving Police Performance in Rajasthan, India: Experimental Evidence on Incentives, Managerial Autonomy and Training” (with Raghavendra Chattopadhyay, Esther Duflo, Daniel Keniston, and Nina Singh), *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Volume 13, No. 1, February 2021*.

Changes in Social Network Structure in Response to Exposure to Formal Credit Markets (with Emily Breza, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Esther Duflo, Matthew O. Jackson and Cynthia Kinnan) *Working paper, January 2021*

Improving Health Care Delivery in India (with Esther Duflo, Edited by Kaushik Basu, Maitreesh Ghatak, Kenneth Kletzer, Sudipto Mundle, and Eric Verhoogen), *Development, Distribution and Markets, Oxford*

## 2020

“Comparison of Knowledge and Information-Seeking Behavior After General COVID-19 Public Health Messages and Messages Tailored for Black and Latinx Communities” (with Marcella Alsan, Fatima Cody Stanford, Emily Breza, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Sarah Eichmeyer, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Lucy Ogbu-Nwobodo, Benjamin A. Olken, Carlos Torres, Anirudh Sankar, Pierre-Luc Vautrey, and Esther Duflo), *Annals of Internal Medicine*, December 2020.

“How important are matching frictions in the labor market? Experimental & non-experimental evidence from a large Indian firm” (with Gaurav Chiplunkar), *November 2020*.

“Learning to Teach by Learning to Learn” (with Nava Ashraf and Vesall Nourani), *Working Paper*, November 2020.

“E-governance, Accountability, and Leakage in Public Programs: Experimental Evidence from a Financial Management Reform in India” (with Esther Duflo, Clément Imbert, Santhosh Mathew, and Rohini Pande), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, Volume 12, No. 4, October 2020.

“Information Aggregation under (not so) Naïve Learning” (with Olivier Compte), *September 2020*.

“The (lack of) Distortionary Effects of Proxy-Means Tests: Results from a Nationwide Experiment in Indonesia” (with Rema Hanna, Benjamin A. Olken, and Sudarno Sumarto), *Journal of Public Economics Plus*, Volume 1, 2020.

Messages on COVID-19 Prevention in India Increased Symptoms Reporting and Adherence to Preventive Behaviors Among 25 Million Recipients with Similar Effects on Non-Recipient Members of Their Communities (with Marcella Alsan, Emily Breza, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Abhijit Chowdhury, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham, Benjamin A. Olken) *NBER Working Paper*, 27496. July 2020

“On the Road: Access to transportation infrastructure and economic growth in China” (with Esther Duflo and Nancy Qian), *Journal of Development Economics*, Volume 145, June 2020.

“A Theory of Experimenters: Robustness, Randomization, and Balance” (with Sylvain Chassang, Erik Snowberg, and Sergio Montero), *American Economic Review*, Volume 110, No. 4, April 2020.

“In Praise of Moderation: Suggestions for the Scope and Use of Pre-Analysis Plan for RCTs in Economics” (with Esther Duflo, Amy Finkelstein, Lawrence F. Katz, Benjamin A. Olken, Anja Sautmann), *April 2020* (see *NBER Working Paper* 26993).

“Unpacking a Multi-faceted Program to Build Sustainable Income for the Very Poor” (with Dean Karlan, Robert Darko Osei, Hannah Trachtman, and Christopher Udry), *February 2018, Revised April 2020* (see *NBER working paper* 24271).

## 2019

The economic and political consequences of India’s demonetisation (with Namrata Kala), *October 2019*, *VoxDev*

Can Microfinance Unlock a Poverty Trap for some Entrepreneurs? (with Emily Breza, Esther Duflo, and Cynthia Kinnan), *Working paper*, October 2019

"The Efficient Deployment of Police Resources: Theory and New Evidence from a Randomized Drunk Driving Crackdown in India" (with Esther Duflo, Daniel Keniston, and Nina Singh), *August 2019*.

"Universal Basic Income in the Developing World" (with Paul Niehaus and Tavneet Suri), *Annual Review of Economics*, Vol. 11, August 2019 (see NBER working paper 25598).

The Challenges of Universal Health Insurance in Developing Countries: Evidence from a Large-Scale Randomized Experiment in Indonesia (with Amy Finklestein, Rema Hanna, Benjamin Olken, Arianna Ornaghi and Sudarno Sumarto), *Working paper*, August 2019

The Entertaining Way to Behavioral Change: Fighting HIV with MTV (with Eliana La Ferrara and Victor Orozco), *Working paper*, July 2019

"Entertainment, Education and Attitudes Towards Domestic Violence" (with Eliana La Ferrara and Victor Orozco), *American Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*, Volume 109, May 2019.

"Does Elite Capture Matter? Local Elites and Targeted Welfare Programs in Indonesia" (with Vivi Alatas, Rema Hanna, Benjamin Olken, Ririn Purnamasari, and Matthew Wai-Poi), *American Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*, Volume 109, May 2019.

"Growing Cleavages in India? Evidence from the Changing Structure of Electorates, 1962–2014" (with Amory Gethin and Thomas Piketty), *Economic & Political Weekly*, Volume 54, Issue 11, March 2019.

"Using Gossips to Spread Information: Theory and Evidence from Two Randomized Controlled Trials" (with Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Esther Duflo, and Matthew O. Jackson), *Review of Economic Studies*, February 2019.

"Private Outsourcing and Competition: Subsidized Food Distribution in Indonesia" (with Jordan Kyle, Rema Hanna, Benjamin Olken, and Sudarno Sumarto), *Journal of Political Economy*, Volume 127, Issue 1, January 2019.

## **2018**

"How Much do Existing Borrowers Value Microfinance? Evidence from an Experiment on Bundling Microcredit and Insurance" (with Esther Duflo and Richard Hornbeck), *Economica*, Volume 85, Issue 340, October 2018 (see NBER working paper 20477).

"Changes in Social Network Structure In Response to Exposure to Formal Credit Markets" (with Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Esther Duflo, and Matthew O. Jackson), *Working paper*, September 2018.

"Can Iron Fortified Salt Control Anemia? Evidence from Two Experiments in Rural Bihar" (with Esther Duflo and Sharon Barnhardt), *Journal of Development Economics*, Volume 133, July 2018.

"When Less is More: Experimental Evidence on Information Delivery during India's Demonetization" (with Emily Breza, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, and Benjamin Golub), June 2018 (see NBER working paper 24679).

"Tangible Information and Citizen Empowerment: Identification Cards and Food Subsidy Programs in Indonesia" (with Rema Hanna, Jordan Kyle, Benjamin Olken, and Sudarno Sumarto). *Journal of Political Economy*, Vol. 126, Number 2, April 2018.

## **2017**

"A Theory of Experimenters" (with Sylvain Chassang, Segio Montero, and Erik Snowberg), *September 2017* (see NBER working paper 23867).



"From Proof of Concept to Scalable Policies: Challenges and Solutions, with an Application" (with Esther Duflo, Rukmini Banerji, James Berry, Harini Kannan, Shobhini Mukerji, Marc Shotland, and Michael Walton), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 31, Number 4, fall 2017 (see NBER working paper 22931, CEPR working paper 11762, and BREAD working paper 495).

"Debunking the Stereotype of the Lazy Welfare Recipient: Evidence from Cash Transfer Programs" (with Rema Hanna, Gabriel Kreindler, and Benjamin A. Olken), *World Bank Research Observer* 32 (1), pp. 155-184, August 2017.

"The Untapped Math Skills of Working Children in India: Evidence, Possible Explanations, and Implications" (with Swati Bhattacharjee, Raghabendra Chattopadhyay, Alejandro J. Ganimian), August 2017.

## **2016**

"The impact of training informal health care providers in India: A randomized controlled trial" (with Jishnu Das, Abhijit Chowdhury, and Reshmaan Hussam), *Science*, Vol. 354, Issue 6308, October 2016.

The Influence of Randomized Controlled Trials on Development Economic Research and on Development Policy , (with Esther Duflo, and Michael Kremer), *Paper prepared for the World Bank's "The State of Economics, The State of the World Conference. September 2016*

"The Long term Impacts of a "Graduation" Program: Evidence from West Bengal" (with Esther Duflo, Raghabendra Chattopadhyay, and Jeremy Shapiro), *working paper, September 2016*.

"Mainstreaming an Effective Intervention: Evidence from Randomized Evaluations of "Teaching at the Right Level" in India" (with Rukmini Banerji, James Berry, Esther Duflo, Harini Kannan, Shobhini Mukerji, Marc Shotland, and Michael Walton), August 2016 (see NBER working paper 22746, CEPR working paper 11530, and BREAD working paper 492).

"Network Structure and the Aggregation of Information: Theory and Evidence from Indonesia" (with Vivi Alatas, Abhijit Banerjee, Arun Chandrasekhar, and Rema Hanna), *American Economic Review*, Vol. 106 No. 7, July 2016.

"Self-Targeting: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Indonesia." (with Vivi Alatas, Rema Hanna, Benjamin Olken, Matthew Wai-Poi, and Ririn Purnamasari), *Journal of Political Economy*, Vol 124, No. 2, April 2016.

"Decision Theoretic Approaches to Experiment Design and External Validity" (with Sylvain Chassang, Erik Snowberg), April 2016 (see NBER Working Paper 22167)

"Gossip: Identifying Central Individuals in a Social Network" (with Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Esther Duflo, and Matthew O. Jackson), February 2016

"Policies for a better-fed world" *Review of World Economics*, Volume 152, Issue 1, pp 3-17, February 2016.

## **2015**

"Network Structure and the Aggregation of Information: Theory and Evidence from Indonesia" with Vivi Alatas, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Rema Hanna, and Benjamin A. Olken), December 2015

"A multifaceted program causes lasting progress for the very poor: Evidence from six countries" (with Esther Duflo, Nathanael Goldberg, Dean Karlan, Robert Osei, William Parienté, Jeremy Shapiro, Bram Thuysbaert, and Christopher Udry), *Science Magazine*, Vol. 348, No. 6236, May 2015.

"Six Randomized Evaluations of Microcredit: Introduction and Further Steps" (with Dean Karlan and

Jonathan Zinman), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, Vol. 7, No. 1: Pages 1-21, January 2015.

"The Miracle of Microfinance? Evidence from a Randomized Evaluation" (with Esther Duflo, Rachel Glennerster and Cynthia Kinnan), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, Vol. 7, No. 1, (pp.22- 53), January 2015 (see NBER Working Paper No.18950, CEPR Discussion Paper No. 7696, BREAD Working Paper 379).

"The Power of Transparency: Information, Identification Cards and Food Subsidy Programs in Indonesia" (with Rema Hanna, Jordan Kyle, Benjamin Olken, and Sudarno Sumarto), *working paper*, January 2015.

## **2014**

"Can E-Governance Reduce Capture of Public Programs? Experimental Evidence from a Financial Reform of India's Employment Guarantee" (with Esther Duflo, Clement Imbert, Santhosh Mathew, and Rohini Pande), *working paper*, December 2014.

"Self-Targeting: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Indonesia," (with Vivi Alatas, Rema Hanna, Ben Olken, Ririn Purnamasari, and Matthew Wai-Poi), forthcoming, *Journal of Political Economy*, (see NBER Working Paper #19127).

"The Miracle of Microfinance? Evidence from a Randomized Evaluation" (with Esther Duflo, Rachel Glennerster and Cynthia Kinnan), forthcoming, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* (see NBER Working Paper No.18950, CEPR Discussion Paper No. 7696, BREAD Working Paper 379).

"(Measured) Profit is Not Welfare: Evidence from an Experiment in Bundling Microcredit and Insurance" (with Esther Duflo and Richard Hornbeck), *September 2014*

"Improving Police Performance in Rajasthan, India: Experimental Evidence on Incentives, Managerial Autonomy and Training" (with Esther Duflo, Raghabendra Chattopadhyay, Daniel Keniston and Nina Singh), *October 2014*. (See NBER Working Paper No. 17912, CEPR Discussion Paper No. 8869, BREAD Working Paper No. 324).

"Under the Thumb of History? Political Institutions and the Scope for Action" (with Esther Duflo), *Annual Review of Economics*, Vol. 6, *September 2014*.

"Bundling Health Insurance and Microfinance in India" (with Esther Duflo and Richard Hornbeck), *American Economic Review: Papers and Proceeding 2014*, 104(5):1-7, *May 2014*.

"Network Structure and the Aggregation of Information: Theory and Evidence from Indonesia" (with Vivi Alatas, Rema Hanna, Arun G. Chandrasekhar and Benjamin A. Olken). *NBER Working Paper #18351*, *May 2014*.

"(Dis)organization and Success in an Economics MOOC" (with Esther Duflo), *American Economic Journal: Papers and Proceeding 2014*, *May 2014*.

"Bundling Health Insurance and Microfinance in India: There Cannot be Adverse Selection if There is No Demand" (with Esther Duflo and Richard Hornbeck), *May 2014*

"Do Firms Want to Borrow More: Testing Credit Constraints Using a Targeted Lending Program" (with Esther Duflo), *The Review of Economics Studies*, *April 2014*

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Esther Duflo), *The Review of Economic Studies* (2014) 81 (2): 572-607, April 2014.

"Information is Power: Identification Cards and Food Subsidy Programs in Indonesia" (with Rema Hanna, Jordan Kyle, Benjamin A. Olken, and Sudarno Sumarto), *MIT Working Paper*, March 2014.

## 2013

"The Diffusion of Microfinance" (with Esther Duflo, Arun G. Chandrasekhar, Matthew O. Jackson), *Science Magazine*, Vol. 341, no. 6144, July 2013.

"Microcredit Under the Microscope: What have we learnt in the last two decades, what do we need to know?" *Annu. Rev. Econ.* 2013, 5:487–519, May 2013.

"Marry for What? Caste and Mate Selection in Modern India," (with Esther Duflo, Maitreesh Ghatek, and Jeanne Lafortune), *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*: Vol. 5, No. 2, May 2013.

"Does Elite Capture Matter? Local Elites and Targeted Welfare Programs in Indonesia," (with Vivi Alatas, Rema Hanna, Benjamin Olken, Ririn Purnamasari and Matthew Wai-Poi), *NBER Working Paper No. 18798*, February 2013.

## 2012

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