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## Research Interest

1. Foreign direct investment (FDI)
2. International finance
3. Econometric analysis
4. International business
5. Issues related to internationalization of emerging multinationals
6. Internationalization and firms' performance

## Education

- March 2018 Doctor of Philosophy  
Department of Humanities and Social Sciences  
Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati  
Thesis title: “**Outward Foreign Direct Investment from India: an Investigation of the Determinants**”
- Dec 2009 Qualified National eligibility test (NET) for lectureship/ awarded Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) [December, 2009]  
Conducted by University Grant Commission
- 2008 Bachelor of Education (Arts)  
Gauhati University
- 2005 Master of Arts (Economics)  
Department of Economics, Gauhati University  
Specialization: Econometrics, Operational Research, Financial System
- 2003 W Tech (Certified course on Computer education on Wings, C, and C++)  
Tata Infotech
- 2002 Bachelor of Arts (with Hons. in Economics)  
Department of Economics, Handique Girls' College

## Publications

Journal Articles (*peer reviewed*)

- 2018 Foreign direct investment of India: an analysis based on the 'Dynamic or Developmental Approach', *Transnational Corporations Review*, 10 (1), 69-85. Routledge.
- 2018 India's outward foreign direct investment: the home-country economic perspective, *International Journal of Comparative Management*, 1 (2), 162-184. Inderscienceonline.
- 2018 Location determinants of Indian multinationals: a multilevel analysis, *Global Business Review*, 21(5) [Fourthcoming]. Sage.
- 2018 Drivers of internationalization of Indian multinationals: testing an integrative model, *International Journal of Emerging Market* (revised manuscript submitted). Emeraldinsight.
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2018 What determines the choice of outsourcing destination of the emerging multinationals – country specificity or firm heterogeneity? (submitted)

### Fellowship/Award

- 2018 **Best paper award – Student** - 28<sup>th</sup> conference – International Trade and Finance Association (IT&FA), University of International Business and Economics, Beijing, China, 23 – 26 May, 2018 (prize money of 250 US\$).
- July 2011–June 2013 **Junior Research Fellowship**  
University Grant Commission (UGC-JRF),  
India.
- July 2013–June 2016 **Senior Research Fellowship**  
University Grant Commission (UGC-SRF),  
India
- 2016 **Second best poster presentation award** (Humanities and Social Sciences) entitled ‘Outward FDI from India: Relevance of the Investment Development Path Approach’, ‘Research Conclave 2016’, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati.

### Presentations at Conferences/Seminar

- 2018 **‘New direction in economic theory and empirical economics’**, IIM Calcutta.  
*‘Emerging Multinationals and location choice: hierarchical linear modelling for analysis of multilevel data’ (accepted for presentation).*
- 2018 **28<sup>th</sup> conference – International Trade and Finance Association (IT&FA)**, University of International Business and Economics, Beijing, China)  
*‘India’s foreign direct investment position - dynamic or developmental’.*
- 2018 **28<sup>th</sup> conference – International Trade and Finance Association (IT&FA)**, University of International Business and Economics, Beijing, China)  
*‘Location choice of emerging multinationals: interplay of ownership and location advantage’.*
- 2017 **‘Research Conclave 2017’**, Student Academic Board, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati.(Poster)  
*Firm heterogeneity and location choice of Indian multinationals: firm-level analysis’.*
- 2016 **‘53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of the Indian Econometric Society (TIES)’**, National Institute of Scientific Education and Research (NISER).  
*‘International direct investment position of India: dynamic or developmental approach’.*
- 2016 **‘53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of the Indian Econometric Society (TIES)’**, National Institute of Scientific Education and Research (NISER), Bhubaneswar.  
*‘Motives of location decision–making of multinationals: evidence from Indian firm-level data’.*
- 2016 **‘Fifth conference on Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance (eiitf)’**, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), Kolkata.  
*‘Role of trade openness, exchange rate and economic development on outward FDI from India: an assessment of the long-run dynamics and short-run causality’*
- 2016 **‘Research Conclave 2016’**, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati.  
(Poster): *‘Outward FDI from India: relevance of the investment development path approach’.*
- 2015 **‘Graduate Research Meet 2015’**, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati.
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- 2014 ‘Outward FDI from India: investigating the location determinants’.  
**Fourth Conference on Empirical Issues in International Trade and Finance (eiitf)**, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), New Delhi, 2014.  
*‘Outward FDI from India: relevance of the investment development path approach’.*
- 2013 **15<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of North Eastern Economic Association (NEEA)**  
*The emergent trend of Outward FDI from India’.*

### Workshops

- 2017 ‘Workshop on R Language’, at ‘Research Conclave 2017’, organized by Student Academic Board, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati.
- 2015 ‘Workshop on Time Series Analysis’, organized by department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati in collaboration with The Indian Econometric Society (TIES) in 2015 (July 26-30).
- 2012 ‘Short-term Course on Research Methodology and Computer Application Workshop’, organized by the department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati and sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) during March 12-23, 2012.

### Area of Expertise

1. Proficient in working with software STATA, EViews, LATEX.
2. Familiar with R.
3. Proficient in working with databases CMIE ProwessIQ database, IMF financial statistics, World Development Indicators (WDI world bank), UNCTAD etc.
4. Time series analysis (Vector Error Correction Model, Vector Autoregressive Regression, Bayesian Vector Autoregressive model, Autoregressive Distributive Lag model etc. )
5. Micro-econometric analysis (Panel data analysis, cross-section data, two-stage modelling, binary choice modelling, count data analysis, Heckman selection model)
6. Mixed multilevel modelling

### Referees

1. International Journal of Comparative Management.
2. Contemporary Economics

### Work experience

August 2005 – January 2006      Worked as a Principal course instructor at an NGO, North Lakhimpur, (Assam), INDIA

### References

- [1] Prof. Saundarjya Borbora  
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**Declaration**

I hereby declare that information cited above is correct and true for the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sincerely,  
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