

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Research Interest:

Sociology of Development, Urban Sociology and Industrial Sociology.

### PhD (Pursuing at Department of Humanities and Social Science, IIT Madras, Chennai):

**Title: Politics of Land transformation in Chennai Metropolitan Area: The Case of Sriperumbudur**

My research captures the various processes of land transformation in peri-urban areas of Indian Metropolitan cities, focusing on Chennai. My research is different from existing research, where one set sees the transformation as a result of natural expansion of the city following the 'Central Business District (CBD)' model of the Chicago School of Urban Sociology, while the other set sees the transformation from the perspective of capital. My research focuses on the politics of land transformation

### Educational Qualification:

Degree	Branch	Name of the School/College/University	Month and Year of Passing	Marks/CGPA	Class
PhD (Pursuing)	Urban Sociology and Sociology of Development	Indian Institute of Technology Madras	Pursuing		
National Eligibility Test for Lectureship in India	Sociology	University Grand Commission	June 2011	Cleared	NA
M.A	Sociology	Manonmaniam	April 2010	66.58%	First

		Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli			
B.Sc	Mathematics	Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli	November 2007	57.71%	Second
Higher Secondary	Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Biology	State Board of School Examination, Tamil Nadu	March 2004	75%	First
Matriculation Examination	Maths, Science, Social Science	Board of Matriculation Examination, Tamil Nadu	March 2002	74.9%	First

### Research Experience:

Name & address of the Institution /Organization	Post held	Period of Service	Duration
PRIA Foundation for Research and Development	Research Assistant	1st May – 10th August 2010	Three months Ten days (3 months 10 days)
Indian Institute of Technology Madras	Project Assistant	13 August 2010 to 31 December 2010	Four Months Nineteen Days (4 Months 19 days)
Indian Institute of Technology Madras	Project Assistant	11 January 2011 to 10 June 2011	Five Months
Indian Institute of Technology Madras	Project Assistant	21 June 2011 to 19 November 2011	Five Months
Madras Institute of Development Studies	Research Associate	1 October 2017 to 30 June 2018	Eight Months

### **Fellowship/ Grants/ Awards Received:**

- 1) Selected to be part of a Scholar Exchange programme under Indo-Swiss Joint Research Programme in Social Sciences, 2016-17. The research proposal titled “**SIRIUS-Swiss Indian Research Program on the Globalization of Indian Urban Systems**” under the Indo-Swiss Joint Research Programme in Social Sciences has been approved by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). I visit Institute of Geography and Sustainability, University of Lausanne (IGD- UNIL) during May 1 to May 13, 2017 with funding support under this programme. The aim of the visit was to do a joint research on Indian Urban System.
- 2) Research Grant received from York University to conduct independent research in Chennai on Suburbanization. The first phase of funding was received in 2013 and the second of funding was received in 2014. The outcome of this project was published as an article in the journal *Environment Urbanization Asia* titled “Chennai’s Peri-Urban Accumulation of Capital and Environmental Exploitation”.
- 3) Received Merit Scholarship during M.A (Sociology). The Scholarship was given by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli.

### **Publications:**

- 1) Gajendran, V. (2016). Chennai’s Peri-urban Accumulation of Capital and Environmental Exploitation. *Environment and Urbanization Asia*, 7(1), 113-131.
- 2) Gajendran, V. (2015). The crisis of social reproduction in resettlement colonies: A case study in peri-urban Chennai. *Bhumi, The Planning Research Journal*, 4(2).
- 3) Subitha, G.V., Govindarasan, M., **Gajendran, V.** (2012). Children with Special Needs: SSA intervention in Tamil Nadu, *Bharathidasan University Journal of Science and Technology*, 3(1), 40-44.

### **Paper Presentation in the International Conferences – Abroad:**

- 1) Presented a research paper in ASIA Convening International Conference of YSI held at VNU University of Economics, Hanoi, Vietnam during 12-14 AUG 2019.
- 2) Presented a paper titled “Conflicting Claims in Constructing Chennai’s Peri-Urban” in the Regional Studies Winter Conference “New Pressures on Cities and Region” held at London, United Kingdom during 24-25 November 2016.
- 3) Presented a paper titled “The Crisis of Social reproduction in Resettlement Colonies: A Case Study in Peri-Urban Chennai” in the South Asia Urban Forum 2015 held at Colombo, Sri Lanka during 21-22 September 2015. The Conference was organized

by University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka, South Asia Institute, Harvard University and La Trobe University Australia.

**Paper Presentation in the international Conferences – India:**

- 1) Presented a research paper titled “Livelihood Strategies of Displaced Women: A Case Study in Chennai” in the Women’s World Congress held at University of Hyderabad, 17-22 August 2014.
- 2) Presented a research paper titled “Corporate Governance and Ethics in Indian Private Sector: The Case of Satyam” in the International Conference on “Religion Ethics and Corporate Culture” held at University of Madras, 29-30 September 2011.

**Paper Presentation in the National Conferences – India:**

- 1) Presented a research paper titled “Dalits Exclusion From Temples and Movements for Social Inclusion” in the National Seminar on “Inequalities in Indian Society” held at Annamalai University, 30-31 March 2011.
- 2) Presented a research paper titled “Children with Special Needs: SSA Intervention in Tamil Nadu” in the National Seminar on “Recent Trends in Welfare of the Differentially Aabled Persons: Rights, welfare, Social Integration and Mainstreaming” held at Bharathidasan University, 24th February 2012
- 3) Presented a research paper titled “Self Help Group and the Myth of Employment Generation: Evidences from Chennai Tamil Nadu” in the National Seminar on “Self Help Group and Their Role in Poverty Alleviation, Women’s Empowerment and human Development” held at University of Madras, 14-15 March 2016.
- 4) Presented a research paper titled “Hinduism and Ambedkar” in the National Conference on the occasion of the celebration of “125th Birth Anniversary of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar” organized by Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, M.S.University, Tirunelveli and Celebration Committee of 125th Birth Anniversary of Dr.B.R.Ambedkar and the conference was held at Tirunelveli.
- 5) Presented a research paper in a National Conference titled "Livelihoods of Vulnerable Groups: Empirical and Theoretical Dimensions" held at Department of Anthropology, University of Hyderabad during 26-27 September 2019.

**Poster Presentation in Conferences:**

- 1) Presented a Poster titled “Deconstructing Peri-Urban as Spatial Container: The case of Chemmencherry a Resettlement Colony in IT Corridor”, in the Conference on Peri-Urban Development, held at IIT-Madras during 27-28 January 2017. The Conference was organized by Indo-German Centre for Sustainability.

**Participation in Conferences and Workshops:**

- 10) Participated in the “National Seminar on Dalit Movements in South India” held at Department of Sociology, University of Madras on 10th March 2012
- 11) Participated in the workshop on “Role of Social Work in Criminal Justice System” held at Department of Social Work, Malankara Catholic College, Kanyakumari, during 19th January 2010.

**International Visit Abroad:**

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Purpose of visit</b>	<b>Period of visit</b>	<b>Place of visit</b>
1	Research Paper Presentation	21-23 September 2015	South Asia urban Forum, Sri Lanka.
2	Research Paper Presentation	23-27 November 2016	Regional Studies Association, United Kingdom
3	Scholar Exchange program	1-15 May 2017	University of Lausanne, Switzerland
4	Research Paper Presentation	12-14 August 2019	VNU University of Economics and Business Hanoi, Vietnam