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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Institutions, Informal Employment, Corruption and Gender.

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

Doctor of Philosophy, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, Texas Tech University. Enrolled (2018-2019).

Master in Applied Labour Economics for Development (MALED), Jointly organized by the University of Turin, The Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po) and the International Training Centre of the ILO (ITC- ILO). Awarded (December 2017)

Thesis: **Impact of Labour Market Institutions on Unemployment: A Cross Country Analysis.**

Master of Social Sciences (MSS), Department of Economics, University of Dhaka. Awarded (August 2013)

Bachelor of Social Sciences (BSS), Department of Economics, University of Dhaka. Awarded (July 2012).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Reaching Assistant, Free Market Institute, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, USA. (September 2018- Present).

Research Associate, South Asian Network on Economic Modeling (SANEM), Gulshan 2, Dhaka, Bangladesh. (August 2013 – January 2016).

PUBLISHED/FORTHCOMING PAPERS

Working Paper

Jahan, I. and Geloso, V. (2019) Assessing the Impact of Universal Childcare on Women's Labor Supply in Quebec.

Jahan, I. (2019) Causal Impact of Corruption on Tax Structure: Empirical Study on American States.

Jahan, I., Bologna Pavlik, J. and Young, A. T. (2019) Do Longer Constitutions Corrupt?

Callais, J. and Jahan, I., and Bologna Pavlik, J. (2019) Institutional Quality and Development: On the Role of Informality.

Jahan, I., and Bologna Pavlik, J. (2019) Informality, Institutions, and Gender: An Empirical Analysis.

Journal

Jahan, I., Bologna Pavlik, J., & Williams, R. (2019). Is the Devil in the Shadow? The Effect of Institutional Quality on Income. *The Effect of Institutional Quality on Income (April 27, 2019)*.

Raihan, S., Bidisha, S. H., and Jahan, I. (2007). Unpacking unpaid labour in Bangladesh, *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, 60:571–587.

Book Chapter

Raihan, S. and Jahan, I. (2016) “How does Social Protection affect Labor Force Participation in Bangladesh?” in Raihan, S. (eds.) *Structural Change and Dynamics of Labor Markets in Bangladesh*. Singapore: Springer.

Jahan, I. and Shonchoy, A. S. (2018) “Does Participation in Vocational Training Differ on Agricultural Seasonality?” in Raihan, S. (eds.) *Structural Change and Dynamics of Labor Markets in Bangladesh*. Singapore: Springer.
Report

Report

Islam, M. M., Bidisha, S. H. and Jahan, I. (2016). “Effects of remittances on health expenditure and types of treatment of international migrants’ households in Bangladesh”, New Delhi: Institute of Human Development.

Raihan, S. and Jahan, I. (2015) “South-South Cooperation in the Regional context, Background paper for the preparation of the 7th Five Year Plan”, Dhaka: Bangladesh Planning Commission.

Article

Jahan, I. (2015) What type of training matters most for labor force participation decision in Bangladesh? SANEM Thinking Aloud, Vol II, Issue 7: Dec 1, 2015.

Raihan, S. and Jahan, I. (2015) What matters most for environmental performance? SANEM Thinking Aloud, Vol I, Issue 12: May 1, 2015.

Raihan, S. and Jahan, I. (2015) What stimulates South-South FDI? SANEM Thinking Aloud, Vol I, Issue 11: April 1, 2015.

Raihan, S. and Jahan, I. (2014) Why are some households different from others when it comes to female LFP, SANEM Thinking Aloud, Vol I, Issue 7: Dec 1, 2014.

PROJECT

- 2013-2016 SANEM. Generating Youth Employment in the Ready Made Garments Sector in Bangladesh: Youth Employment, Entrepreneurship and development (Based on Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT)). International Development Research Centre (IDRC) and Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA).
- 2015-2017 SANEM. Improving Working Conditions in the Ready-Made Garment Sector in Bangladesh: A Baseline Study. International Labour Organization (ILO).

CONFERENCE

- 2019** -The Association of Private Enterprise Education (APEE) 44th Annual Meetings, April 5-8, 2019, Nassau, Bahamas.
-Mont Pelerin Society (MPS) 2019, May 19-22, Fort Worth, Texas, USA.
- Southern Economic Association (SEA) 89th Annual Meeting 2019, November 23-25, Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2016:** -The 6th Annual Arts and Humanities Graduate Student Research Conference, organized by Graduate School of Texas Tech University. Lubbock, Texas. November 3-4. (**Awarded as the Best Presenter in “Gender” session**)
- 2015:** -Peradeniya Economics Research Symposium 2015” organized by Department of Economics and Statistics, University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka. September 23.
-SARNET Regional Conference” organized by Institute for Human development (IHD), New Delhi, India. October 24-26.

TRAINING

Center for Free Enterprise (CFE) Summer Empirical Workshop of West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia. (July, 2019)

Seventh South Asian Training Programme on CGE Modelling, organized by Organizer: South Asia Watch on Trade, Economics and Environment (SAWTEE), South Asian Network on Economic Modeling (SANEM), Centre for WTO Studies (CWS). Kathmandu, Nepal. (November, 2014)

IZA/DFID Conference on Training Programs and Labor Markets in Africa: Evidence and Policy Lessons And IZA/DFID Short Course on Evaluation of Training Programs, organized by African economic Research consortium (AERC), Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Department for International Development (DFID). Nairobi, Kenya. (November, 2013)

PARTICIPATION

Semifinalist of “2017 Geneva Challenge”, organized by The Graduate Institute Geneva. Switzerland. (October 31, 2017). Project: Kushanda NEXT JOB - Inclusive technology moving towards the future of work.

Associate Editor of “SANEM Thinking Aloud” (A monthly newsletter), Published by South Asian Network on Economic Modeling (SANEM). Dhaka, Bangladesh. (January 2015- December 2015)