

# School of Public Policy and Governance



## Programme Brochure - MA/PGD in Public Policy and Governance

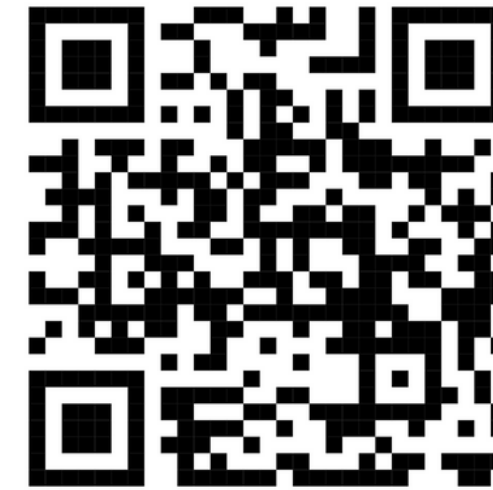
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**Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad**

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Duration of the Course

MA in Public Policy and  
Governance: 2 years

PGD in Public Policy and  
Governance: 1 year

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Eligibility

MA in Public Policy and Governance: An Undergraduate Degree in any Discipline

PGD in Public Policy and Governance: An Undergraduate Degree in any Discipline with 2 years of professional experience

Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad



# TISS and Its Hyderabad Campus

TISS was established in 1936, as the Sir Sorabjee Tata Graduate School of Social Work

Over the years, TISS evolved as an institution of excellence with relevance that responds proactively to the changing realities

It provides an ecosystem to ideate, innovate and incubate classroom learning for social change

The institution strives to create an equitable, ecologically sustainable and just society that promotes dignity and diversity

TISS Hyderabad was established in 2012 at the invitation of the State Government

Faculty at TISS Hyderabad comes with rich international and national teaching and research experience

TISS Hyderabad is a top-rated destination for Graduate degrees in Public Policy and Governance



# School of Public Policy and Governance

- Inter-disciplinary curriculum
- Innovative pedagogy
- Combination of theory with experiential learning



A novel research-based teaching and training space that trains young minds as policy professionals

A platform to incubate ideas for institutional change towards the vision of an inclusive and equitable society

Participates in policy discourse through evidence-based research and engagements with government, civil society and private corporations.

The Post graduate degree transforms the learning experience and facilitates students to become thought leaders and able field personnel

## Foundational Disciplines

- **Ethics**
- **Economics**
- **Political Science**
- **Sociology**
- **Law**

## Experiential Learning

- **150 days of field immersion**
- **Capstone Projects**



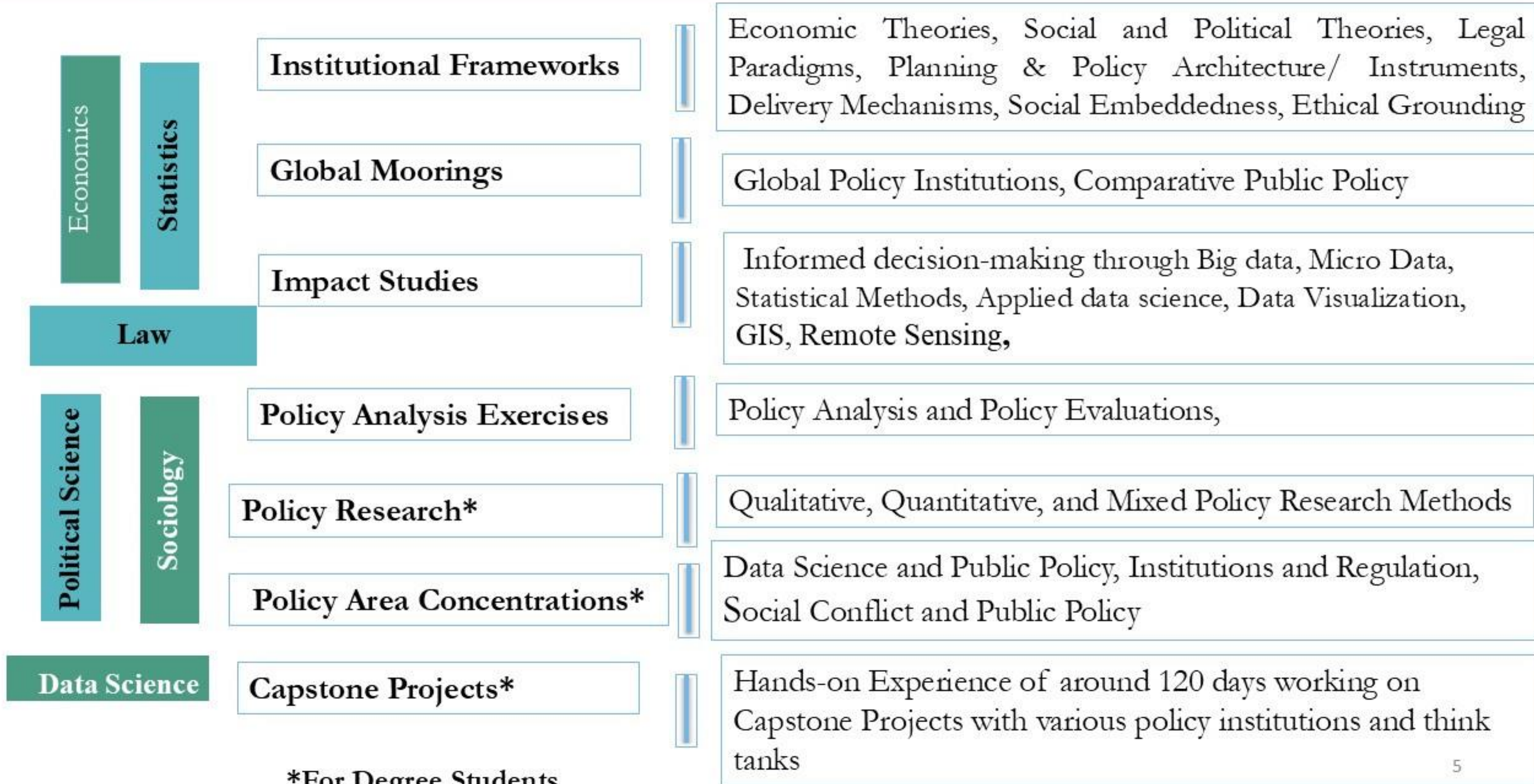
# Key Cornerstones of the MA/PGD in Public Policy and Governance Programme



## Skills and Competencies Acquired

- **Writing Dissertations on topical policy concerns**
- **Undertaking Policy Analysis**
- **Policy monitoring and Impact Evaluations**
- **Data Analytics**
- **Reading and Interpreting Court Judgments and Legislations**
- **Writing Policy briefs**
- **Appreciating Ethics in Policy**

# Curriculum Framework : MA/PGD in Public Policy and Governance



\*For Degree Students

# Policy Area Concentrations (PAC)

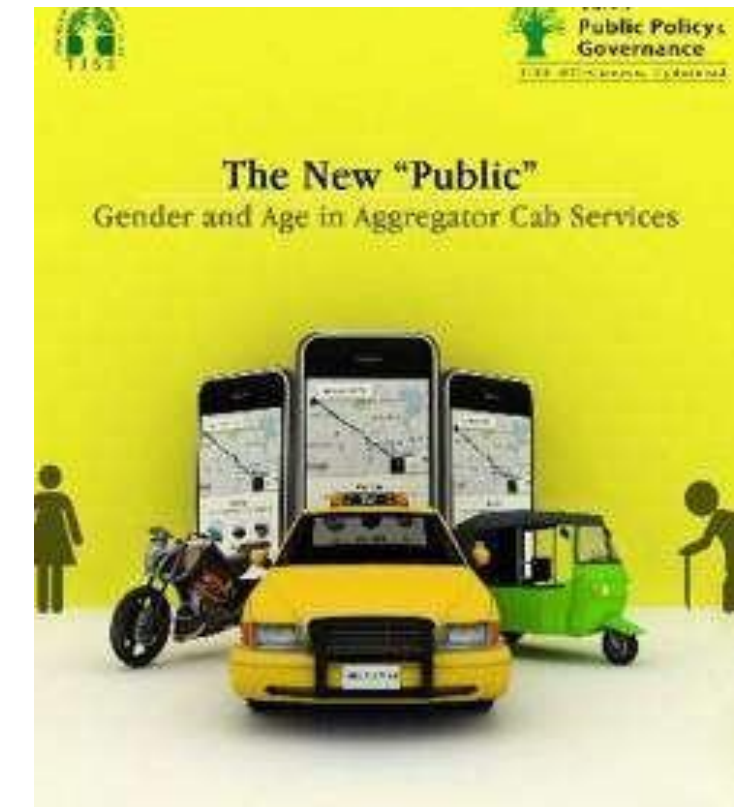
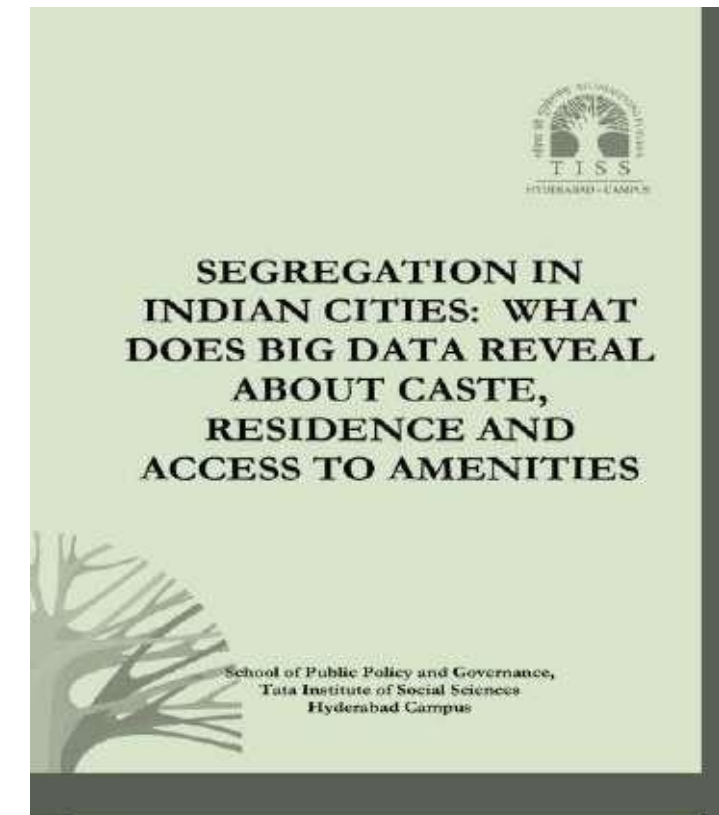
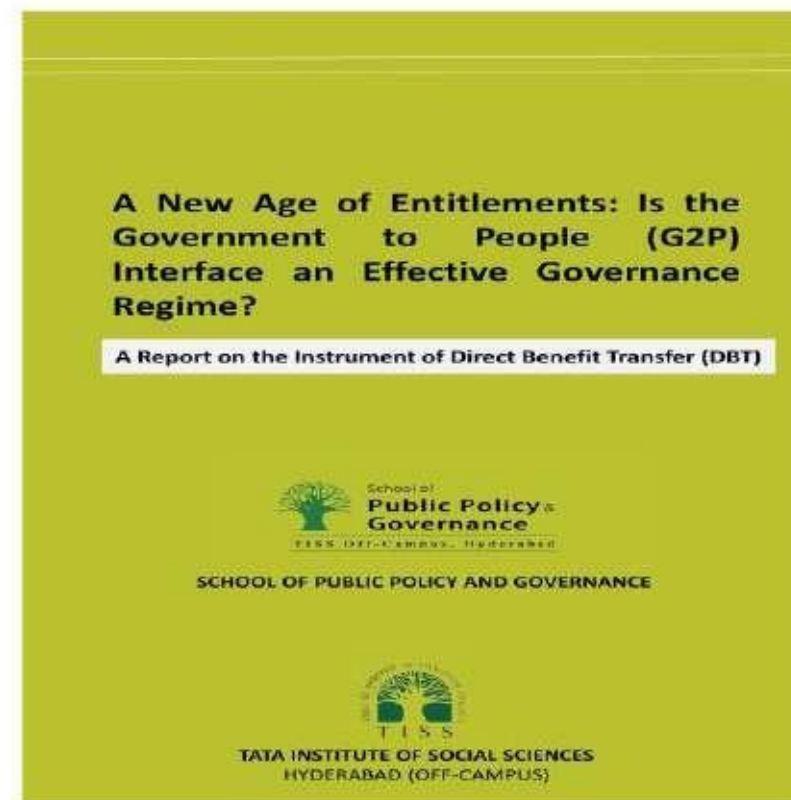
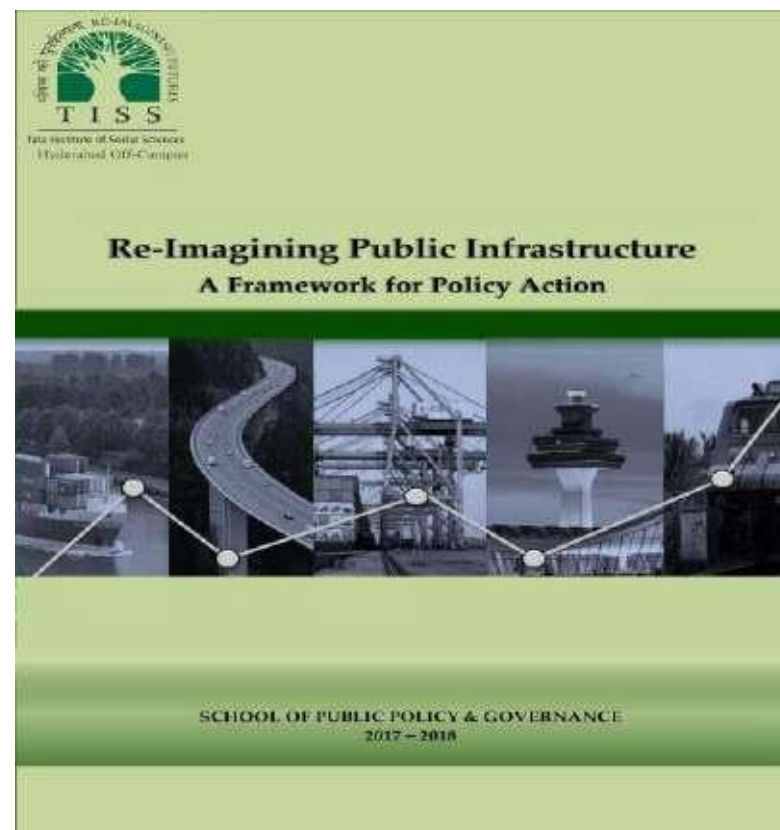
Students choose a PAC to acquire specialisation in a specific policy sector



Available PACs

- Regulation and Institutions
- Data Science and Public Policy
- Social Conflict and Public Policy

- Within the PAC, students select research domains and engage with it through lectures, field immersion and internships with policy institutions.
- Each PAC pursues a research programme on a specific policy theme. All dissertations within a PAC address a chosen policy theme unique to the PAC and in turn combine to develop a research programme on a specific policy concern



# Public Policy and Good Governance Labs

Forging Relationships with Government, Corporates, and other Non-state actors

- Undertakes evidence-based policy studies
- Incubates and experiments newer policy ideas
- Evaluates and monitors existing policies
- Initiates research on newer policy ideas
- Provide Hands-on Experience to Students

## District admn gets a step closer to improving quality of life of citizens

TRIBUNE NEWS SERVICE

**JALANDHAR, MARCH 28**  
The district administration, Jalandhar, has established a Public Policy and Good Governance Lab, in partnership with the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), to promote government and academia linkages that can facilitate and address the pressing social, economic, and governance challenges of the district. It is the first such initiative in the state where a platform is being created to facilitate and support government-academia linkages to address district-level public policy and public administration challenges. The lab would support the

Public Policy Lab established with TISS to improve public service delivery system

work of the existing policy cell established within the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar, that facilitates evidence driven public administration by integrating technology into governance practices. "The Public Policy and Good Governance Lab would provide a unique platform for the youth across Punjab to gain guidance from renowned experts in the field of public policy and governance in India and contribute effectively to the socio-economic development of the district," said Ghanshyam

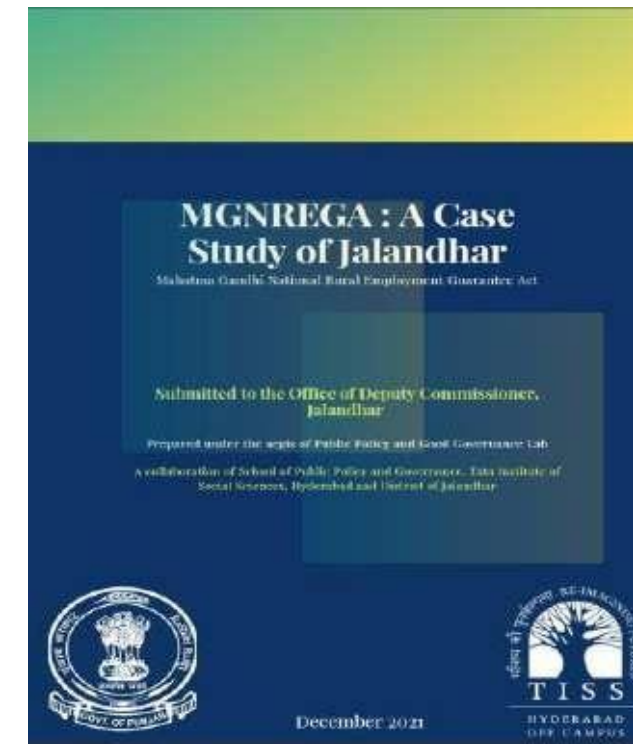
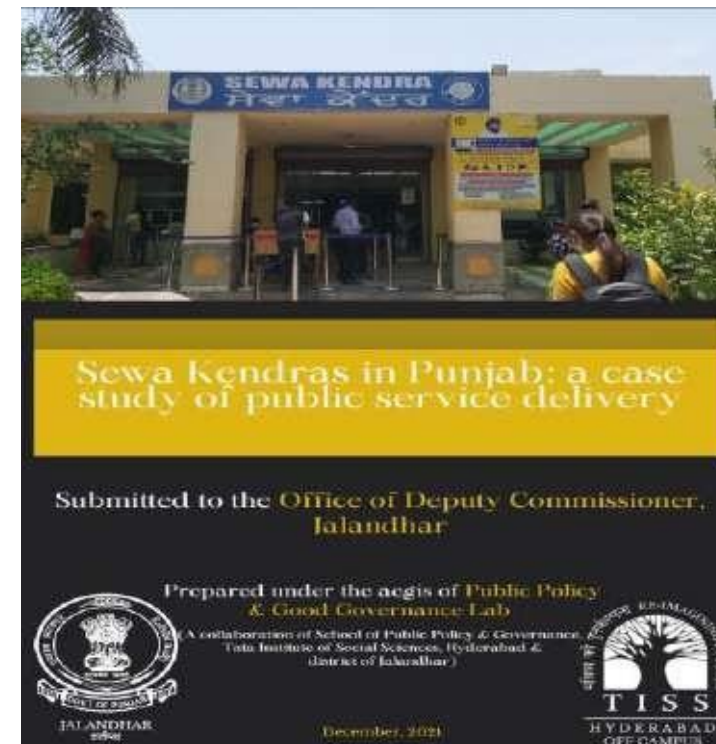
Thori, Deputy Commissioner. He further added, "Covid-19 pandemic has shown that there is also a need to undertake research to support policy design feedback mechanisms from the grassroots to counter niche or regional challenges in governance."

Dr Aseem Prakash, Professor at School of Public Policy and Governance, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad, added, "The new discourse of the public policy in India is district-oriented. Since the restructuring of the Planning Commission into the NITI

Aayog, we have seen more freedom being given to federal states and districts to undertake innovative policy measures to increase efficiency in the public service delivery and to improve the quality of life of the citizens."

All projects and activities developed under the Public Policy and Good Governance Lab will be anchored at the School of Public Policy and Governance, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad off-campus. External expertise, technology collaborations, and human resource will be drawn from across schools and centres of TISS and other external organisations as and when required.

Jalandhar Tribune Mon, 29 March 2021 <https://epaper.tribuneindia.com/c/59410467>



## Capstone Projects - 2024





# Engagements with the Wider Policy Community

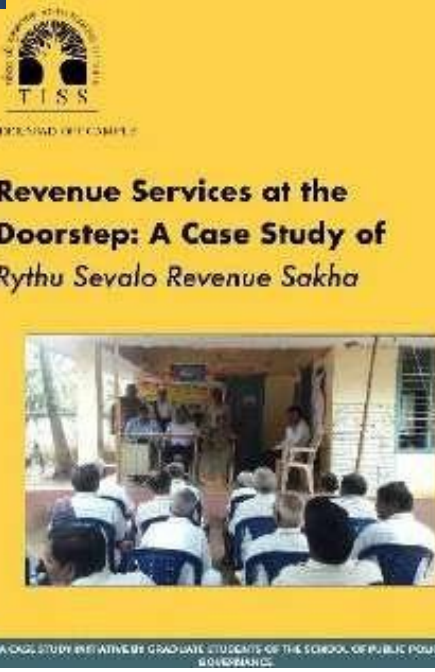
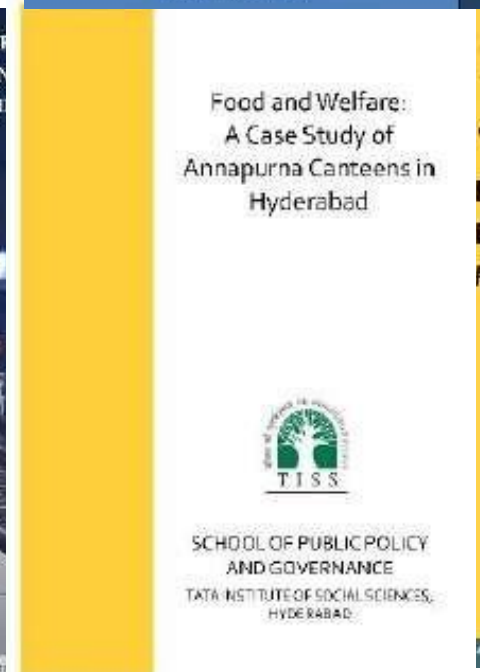
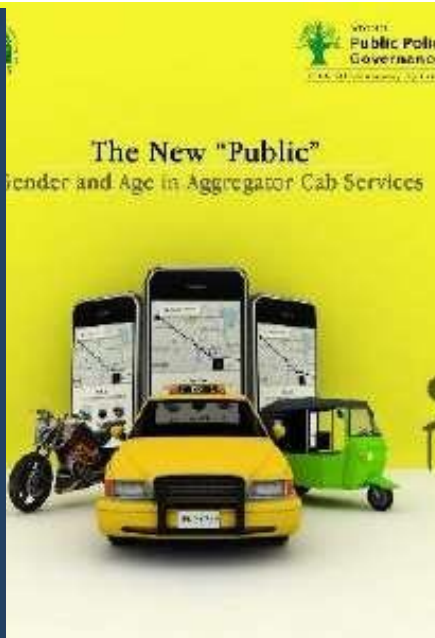
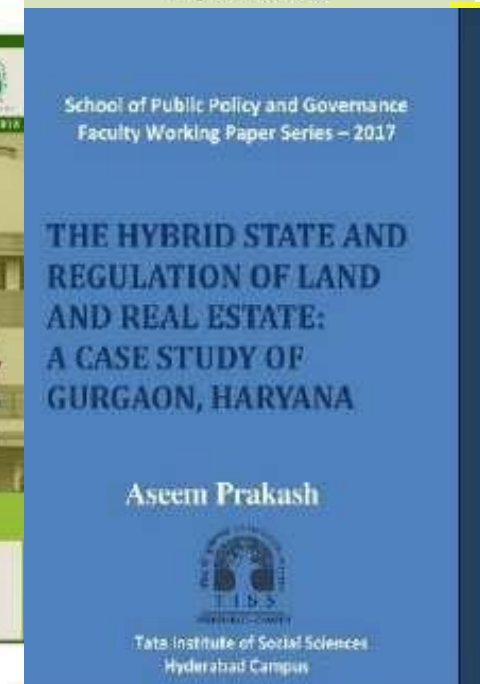
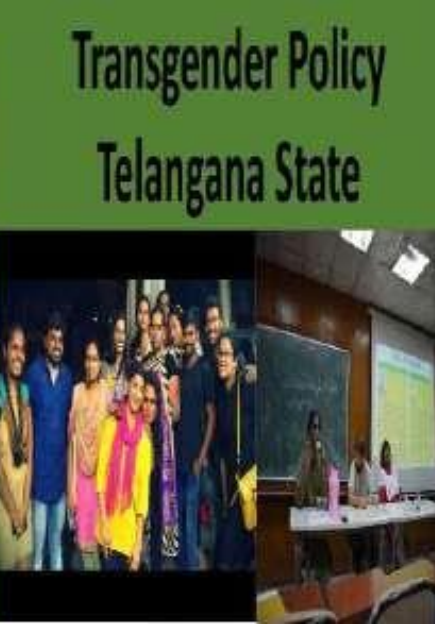
## New Knowledge Production

- Journal of Public Policy Research
- Developing New Policy Frameworks
- Crafting Operational Guidelines
- Anticipating and Designing Policy Institutions for the future

## Policy Research

- Policy analysis/ Reports
  - Policy Assessments
- Theorising Public Action & Inclusive Market Outcomes

Policy Advocacy Policy Brief/ Memos Policy messages through maps, visual presentation of data etc.



# Snapshots: Rural Experiential Learning



Rural Experiential Learning  
Graduate Batch 2020-22

Analysis of National Family Health Surveys for Rural  
India in Six Thematic Areas



Child Nutrition



Child Health and Mortality



Gender Based Violence



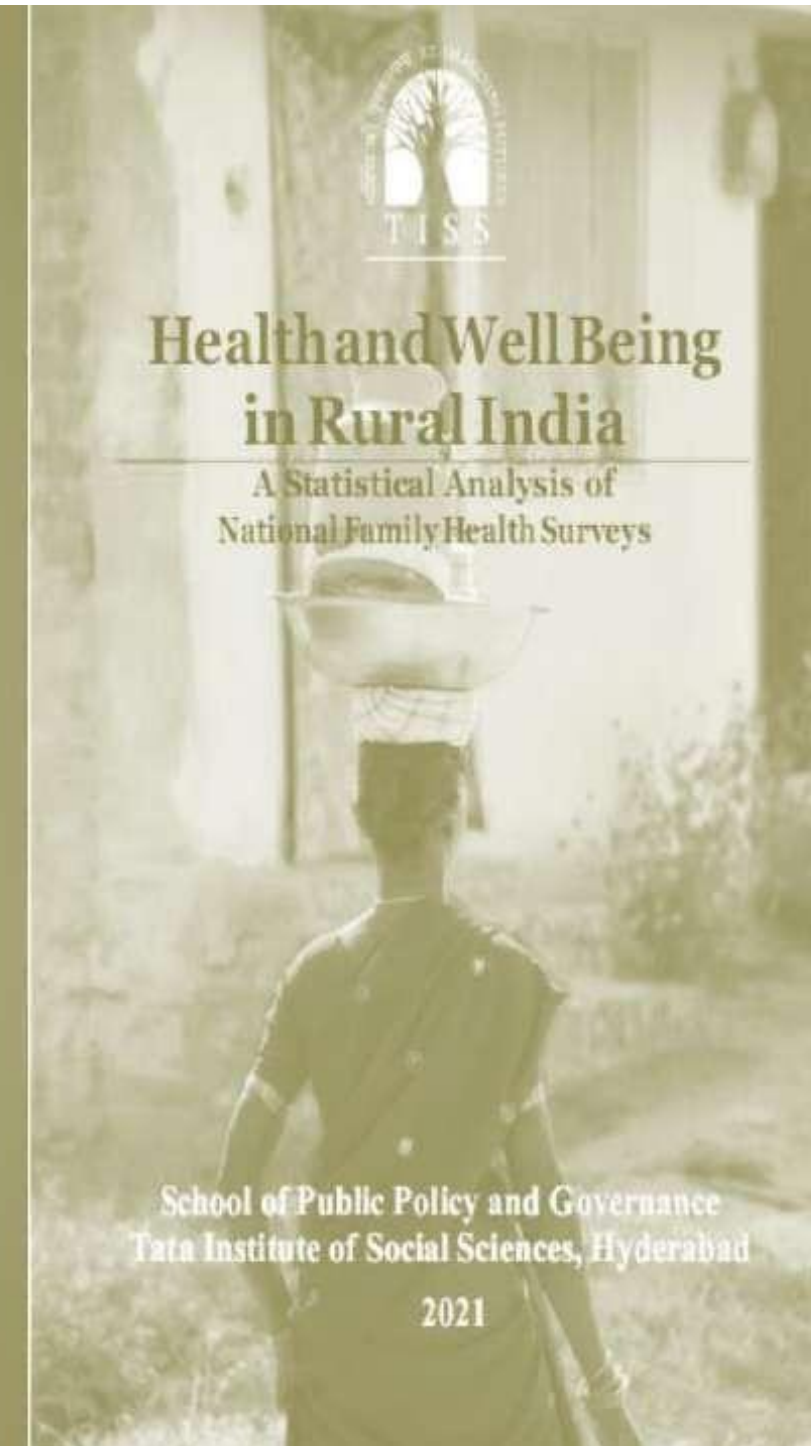
Marriage, Fertility and Family Planning



Maternal Health



Adult health & non-communicable  
diseases



Talks, Seminars, Workshops and Conferences on topical themes of Social and Policy relevance

The image is a collage of various event posters and flyers from TISS (Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Hyderabad). The posters are for various seminars, workshops, and conferences, often featuring speakers and their credentials. Key events include:

- 66th PERSPECTIVES**: "The Bad Money of Public Sector Banks: Why There is No Free Lunch in Economics" by VIVEK KAUL, October 2020.
- 63rd PERSPECTIVES**: "Webinar series: 'After Covid: Imagining New Socio-economic Orders'"
- 67th PERSPECTIVES**: "Reimagining Public Health, Rebuilding India's Healthcare Systems" (Panel Discussion), May 15, 2020.
- 73rd PERSPECTIVES**: "Bihar Elections & the Implications" (Discussions on Agricultural Crisis & Farmers Suicides), featuring Prof. Paritosh Sekharia.
- 72nd PERSPECTIVES**: "Beyond Innovation" (An initiative to promote innovation and entrepreneurship), featuring Mr. Rajesh Kumar Adla.
- 71st PERSPECTIVES**: "The World Economy After COVID-19" by Dani Rodrik, featuring Dani Rodrik.
- 70th PERSPECTIVES**: "The Contemporary Avatar of Caste", featuring Suninder S. Jodhka.
- 69th PERSPECTIVES**: "The World Economy After COVID-19" by Dani Rodrik.
- 68th PERSPECTIVES**: "Policies in Indian Securities Market - A Practitioner's Perspective", featuring Dr. Prabhas Rath.
- 67th PERSPECTIVES**: "How to study the Constitution: The People as an Orienting Framework", featuring Prof. (Dr.) Mathew John.
- 64th PERSPECTIVES**: "DECODING INDIA'S CORONAVIRUS PUZZLE" by Prof. Bhramar Mukherjee.
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## Covid Policy Series

School faculty members, in collaboration with students, reached out to government institutions with suggestions and also with a willingness to help operationalise many of the recommendations



# Past Recruiters

Students upon completion of this degree find their professional careers in diverse settings

Several students pursue higher education at prestigious national and international universities

## CORPORATE AND OTHERS



## NOT-FOR-PROFIT



## RESEARCH ORGANIZATIONS AND THINK-TANKS



## GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS



## INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS



# Faculty at School of Public Policy and Governance



**Prof Amirullah Khan**  
*Economist, Ex Civil servant,*  
Global and National Economic  
Policies  
(Adjunct Faculty)



**Dr Dipak Samal, *Data Scientist,*** Data visualization,  
Geo spatial mapping



**Dr Sneha Biswas, *Ecologist,*** Community Practices and  
Institutions



**Prof. Aseem Prakash: *Policy Studies :*** Institution,  
Regulation, Governance,  
Cities Land and Real estate



**Dr Ipsita Sapra, *Sociologist:***  
Social Conflict, Social  
Inclusion, Development  
Practice



**Prof. TCA Anant, *Economist***  
Former Chief Statistician of  
India (retd), Adjunct Faculty;  
Data Science, Institutions, Law  
and Public Policy



**Dr Pallabi Chakraborty,**  
*Economist, Data Sciences,*  
Quantitative methods



**Dr Bibhu Prasad Nayak,**  
*Ecological Economist ,*  
Ecological Commons,



**Dr Pushpika Sapna Bara,**  
*Political Scientist: Gender,*  
Social Movements



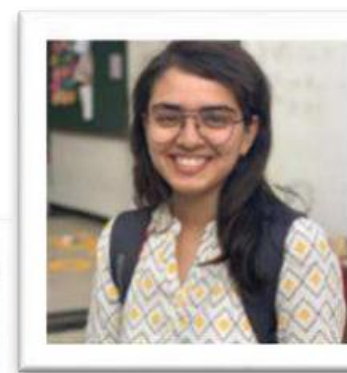
**Dr Vinod Kumar, *Political Scientist,*** Study of State and  
Institutions, Marginalization

# Snapshots- Alumni Profiles



**Adya Behera**, batch of 2022, is currently working as Associate Consultant, **KPMG**

**Alen John**, the batch of 2015, works as a Development Coordination Officer with the **United Nations Resident Coordinator's Office (UNRCO)**, New Delhi.



**Charul Sharma**, batch of 2022 is currently working as a Senior Analyst in Economic and Public Policy Team of **PricewaterhouseCoopers**

**Divya** is a Research Officer at Refugee Education UK. working to make education policy and practice more inclusive and accessible to students with refugee and asylum seeking backgrounds.



**Amish Sarpotdar**, batch of 2017, completed his PhD from the University of Manchester. Currently working as a Senior Research Officer in the **Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy** of the UK Government.



Gowry, batch of 2019, leads a project on Safe Abortion Care at Clinton Health Access Initiative

**Amrita Pillai**, batch of 2015, is a lawyer and is presently pursuing her doctoral degree in International Political Economy at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Washington DC.



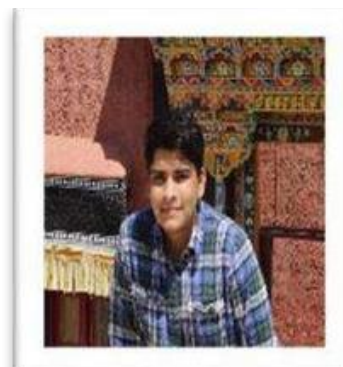
**Juhi Arya**, batch of 2019, currently working as Assistant Manager at Kaviyasri Foundation with a focus on preparing Detailed Progress Report (DPR) and financial proposals



**Anubhav Bishen**, batch of 2020, is a Doctoral student at the Institute of Public Policy, **National Law School India University**, Bengaluru



**Aprajita Verma**, batch of 2019. is currently working as a Programme Officer at Accountability Initiative (AI), **Centre for Policy Research (CPR)**



**Kartik Krishnan**, batch of 2022, is currently working with natural resources conglomerate, Vedanta Ltd as a Policy Associate for Mining and Environmental regulations.

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**Meena Yadem**, batch of 2022, is a management consulting analyst working in **Accenture Capability Network's** public services practice



**Sampriti Mukherjee**, batch of-2019, is currently working as an Associate – Project Management and Partnerships with the Project Support Unit – Swachhata App (**Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs**) and Civic Data, Insights Team at **Janaagraha** Centre for Citizenship and Democracy

**Mayank Singh Devak**, batch of 2020, is currently working as a Consultant with Economic Advisory Services, **PwC India**.



**Soumya Shekar**, batch of 2019, works as a senior Consultant at **PwC**



**Pratyush Poddar**, batch of 2016, is working as Associate Director, **Grant Thornton**, to strengthen the regulatory and governance ecosystem to build robust public institutions



**Swayamsiddha Sahoo** is an Associate Consultant with **Ernst and Young LLP**. She is a Don Lavoie fellow at Mercatus Centre, George Mason University and a Research Trainee for Wellcome Trust at the **University of Cambridge**

**Priyanka Bawa**, batch of 2015, completed her DPhil in Social Policy at the University of Oxford, and has joined **Montresor Legal, London**, as their Head of Research.



**Udit Kusiliya**, batch of 2017 is currently working with **The Nudge Institute**, as an Associate Manager in the field of poverty eradication through a public-private-partnership model in the state of Uttar Pradesh



**Rajeev Agur**, batch of 2015, is currently working as a Public Policy Manager at **Amazon Web Services**, Hyderabad.



**Ronak Asrani**, batch of 2016, is currently working as a Manager in the Technology Strategy and Transformation practice of **Deloitte**



**Vedant Kaul**. Batch of 2020, is a PhD candidate working in the area of accountability and platform organisations at **XLRI, Jamshedpur**



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