

## Research Scholar Profile



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Title of the Research Topic	"Socio-economic status of workers in Informal sectors: A case study among the street vendors and street hawkers of Western Odisha"
Abstract of the Research Work	The informal sector as a concept emerged in the 1970s and refers to a multiple and meaningful reality for productive units and workers who are outside of regulated economic activities and protected labor relations. The informal sector has become very important not only because of its expansion in many countries but also because this expansion has brought about new manifestations that are increasingly recognized as ways to promote growth and reduce poverty. Informal economic activities are apparent within both developed and developing countries and have been examined through a range of different theoretical frameworks: dualistic, structural, legal, and voluntary. The term 'Street vendor' refers to those who are unable to get regular jobs in the remunerative formal sector on account of their low level of education and skills. However, street vending is an important activity related to urban areas. The terms Street vendors describe them are based on time or place where they work.
Progress of the Research Work	Successfully my research synopsis has been prepared and accepted by my concern supervisor.
Seminar, Conference &	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Attended Workshop on “Gender sensitization Training programme” conducted by Department of Sociology, Sambalpur University, Odisha in Oct 16&amp;17.</li><li>• Attended workshop on “Intellectual Property Rights(IPR)” conducted by Department of Science and Technology, Odisha jointly with Sambalpur University in 2019.</li></ul>

Workshop Attended	
Awards	No