



Email- koyel.sarkar@uclouvain.be
Phone number (office)- +32 (0) 10/474223

Koyel Sarkar

Objective:

From being the top student of Geography in my graduation, I have come a long way to be pursuing research, now childlessness, marriage, fertility and reproductive health related issues. It was in my masters that I decided to specialize on human geography and demography. The push into demographics came as I got interested into the society and its ways. Since then I have not looked back and over the course of time I have pursued research, publishing papers and attending conferences regularly. I intend to continue my study in this field in the near future and acquire a research oriented position in one of the better institutes.

Current Professional Status:

A PhD student at the Centre de recherche en démographie (Centre for Demographic Research, DEMO), Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium. Working on PhD Thesis titled, "Education and Childlessness in India", funded by the ARC Project on Family Transformations- Incentives and Norms.

Professional Experience:

- Worked as **Guest Lecturer** for Geography in Dyal Singh College, Delhi University, New Delhi, India.
- Worked as a **Research Associate** with IIDS (Indian Institute of Dalit Studies), New Delhi, India.
- Worked as a **Data Analyst** for an ICSSR project under Professor Emeritus R.K. Sharma, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.
- Worked as **Junior Project Consultant** at NUEPA (National University for Educational Planning and Administration) under Prof. N.V.Varghese, New Delhi, India.

Publications:

- “Violence against Women – A Case Study of Domestic Violence among Married Women in India” **Development, Security and Regional Cooperation in Central and South Asia: Euro-Asian Perspectives**, 2016, (ISBN-978-81-827-4864-4).
- “Fertility Transition in India: Emerging Significance of Infertility and Childlessness”, Monograph, **Population and Development**, India, 2016.
- “Gender Differentials and Determinants of Child Health in India”, **International Congress on Social & Cultural Studies**, 2012, 1, 53-63 (ISBN-978-84-612- 8475-7)
- “Decision Making and Fertility Behaviour among Women in India”, **International Congress on Social & Cultural Studies**, 2012, 1, 345-355 (ISBN-978-84- 612-8475-7)
- “Population Growth and Its Impact on Forestry in the North-Eastern States of India” in **Environmental Degradation- Issues and Challenges** Vol- 1, Pages 51-57. (ISBN No- 978-81-923088-0-7)

Summer Schools:

- Participated in the REVES Summer School on “**THE DEMOGRAPHY OF HEALTH AND EDUCATION**” held at the Wittgenstein Centre for Demography, Vienna University of Economics and Business, Vienna, 06th to 15th of June, 2016.

Conference Participation:

- Will present paper, “*Education and Childlessness in India*”, IUSSP Conference, Cape Town, South Africa, 29th October to 4th November, 2017.
- Presented paper, “*Emerging Childlessness in India: a matter of choice or despair?*”, 8th Demographic Conference for Young Demographers, Prague, 16-17 February, 2017.
- Presented paper (poster), “*Differential Utilization of Reproductive Health Care: Northern versus Southern India*”, The European Population Conference, Mainz, Germany, 31st August - 3rd September, 2016.
- Presented paper (poster), “*Levels and Trends of Age at Marriage and First Birth in India: a spatio-temporal dimension*”, IPOPS and INED Young Researcher’s Conference, Paris, France, 22-23 September, 2016.
- Presented paper (poster), “*Malaria Burden in India: Prevalence and Performance of Health Services*”, REVES Meeting, Vienna, Austria, 08-10th June, 2016.
- Presented paper, “*Emerging significance of Infertility in India*”, ARC Workshop, Durbuy, Belgium, 20-22 January, 2016.

•Presented paper, "*Fertility Transition in India: Emerging Significance of Infertility and Childlessness*", Bhopal Seminar, Bhopal, India, 14-16th January, 2016.

•Presented paper, '*Violence against Women – A Case Study of Domestic Violence Among Married Women in India*' in **International Seminar** on Development, Security and regional Cooperation in Central and South Asia: Euro-Asian Perspectives organized by Stockholm University, held in Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India, 13th to 14th March, 2014.

•Presented paper, '*Changing Attitude of Women in terms of Marriage, Fertility Behaviour and Reproductive health in Uttar Pradesh, India*' in **IWAC International Conference**, held in Bangkok, Thailand on 22nd to 25th January, 2013.

•Presented and awarded '**Best Paper Award**' for the paper, '*Women's Fertility Behaviour In West Bengal, India- Levels, Trends And Determinants*', in Indian Association for the Studies of Population **National Conference**, held in Pune, India on 13th to 15th December, 2012.

•Presented paper '*Women's Fertility Behaviour In West Bengal, India- Levels, Trends And Determinants*' in Asian Population Association **International Conference**, held in Bangkok, Thailand on 26-29th August, 2012.

• Presented paper '*Population Growth and Its Impact on Forestry in the North-Eastern States of India*' in **National Conference** on Environmental Degradation: Issues and Challenges, Held in Rajasthan, India on 9th to 10th December, 2011.

Academic Qualifications:

•Pursuing **PhD** (Education and Childlessness in India) from Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium, since November 2015.

•De-registered **PhD** (July 2013 to October 2015: *Infertility Among Urban Married Women In Kolkata And Treatment Seeking Behaviour*) from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.

•Completed **M.Phil** (*A Comparative Analysis Of Nuptiality, Fertility And Reproductive Health Among Selected States Of India*) from Jawaharlal Nehru University (New Delhi, India) with 7.17 CGPA (on a 9 point scale) in 2013.

•Completed **M.A.** in Geography with specialization in Population Studies from Jawaharlal Nehru University (New Delhi, India) with 6.22 CGPA (on 9 point scale) in 2011.

•Completed **B.Sc.** in Geography (Honours) with Economics and Elective English as pass subjects, from Rani Birla Girls College, Calcutta University, West Bengal, India.

Other Academic Qualifications:

- Completed a course on GIS and REMOTE SENSING with grade A.
- Comprehensive skills in Mapping Techniques using ARC GIS, data handling in SPSS, STATA, and all the MS office softwares, such as MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint etc.
- Topper in College for B.Sc. Geography Honours 2009 (Graduation)

Other Achievements (Sports):

- **Badminton enthusiast** (remained winner in mixed doubles and women's doubles in Jawaharlal Nehru University's Annual Open Badminton Tournament since 2013).
- Participated and achieved second position (mixed doubles) in O.P.Jindal Inter-University Badminton Tournament, India.
- Convener JNU Badminton Club (responsibility to manage all the affairs of the club), New Delhi, India 2012-2014.

Language Skills:

i.	English (Native Speaker, first language, fluent speak, read and write)
ii.	Hindi (National Language, third language, fluent speak, read and write)
iii.	Bengali (Mother tongue, second language, fluent speak, read and write)
iv.	French (A1 level, speak, read and write)

Father's Name: Mr. Swapan Sarkar

Mother's Name: Mrs. Aparna Sarkar

Date of Birth: 6th January, 1989

Gender: Female

Nationality: Indian

Marital Status: Single

Other Interests: Sports, Travelling, Painting, Cooking.