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Present Occupation: Deputy Executive Director, CUTS and Centre Head, CUTS Centre for Competition, Investment and Economic Regulation (CUTS-CCIER)

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION

University/ Institute	Years of study	Subject(s)	Degree/ Diploma
University of Warwick, UK	2003-2004	Competition Law, Economic Regulation, IPRs, etc	Masters in International Economic Law
University of Calcutta, India	1997-2002	Legal Aspects of International Trade, Intellectual Property Rights, Broadcasting and Telecommunications Law and Legal Aspects of International Business Transactions	Bachelors in Law

Work Experience

2016 – till date Deputy Executive Director, CUTS and Centre Head, CUTS Centre for Competition, Investment and Economic Regulation (CUTS-CCIER)

2014 – 2015 Director and Centre Head, CUTS CCIER

2011 - 2014 Associate Director and Centre Coordinator, CUTS Centre for Competition, Investment and Economic Regulation

2007 – 2011 Senior Policy Analyst, CUTS Centre for Competition, Investment and Economic Regulation

2005 – 2006 Asst. Policy Analyst, CUTS International - London Resource Centre (CUTS LRC), London, United Kingdom

Project Experience

- Leading a project on ‘Competitiveness among North Indian States’ with focus on Ease of Doing Business, job creation, regulatory overburden, etc.
- Leading a project focused on establishing Seed Communities to work on policy and implementation related issues vis-à-vis clean energy in State of Rajasthan and West Bengal
- Lead implementation of a project focused on Regional Electricity Cooperation and Trade in South Asia, events organised across 03 cities in India (Kolkata, Delhi and Jaipur) with support of the World Bank.
- Implemented a project on “Competition and Regulatory Issues in Payments Banks” in India, supported by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Strengthening the Competition Authorities in Vietnam: CUTS Hanoi Resource Centre organised training programme on Competition issues for the staff of Vietnam Competition Authority: Undertook two sessions on: Competition and IPR and Mergers & Amalgamation
- India Competition and Regulation Report (ICRR): Coordinating and conducting research, advocacy, and networking activities under ICRR project and ensure release of three reports, “Competition and Regulation in India 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013 and 2017
- Assisted on a project titled, “Advocacy and Capacity Building on Competition Law and Policy in Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Lao PDR, Nepal and Vietnam”.
- National Competition Policy and Economic Growth in India (ComPEG): Coordinating the project, which aims to take forward the agenda of a National Competition Policy and focus on three sectors: Pharmaceuticals, Electricity & Food & Agricultural Marketing (F&A Marketing) reforms to identify the existing gaps against the touchstone of competition and measure the benefits of correcting the same on the entire Indian economy. As part of the project activities, CUTS prepared a ‘**Competition Impact Assessment Toolkit**’ for the purpose of undertaking legislative reviews of sectoral laws and policies to assess their impact on competition. This toolkit compliments the existing framework designed by OECD and DFID.
- Competition Impact Assessment in Passenger Road Transport sector in India: Conduct competition audit of policies (sectoral as well as flanking) and sectoral laws using in the sector using the **OECD Checklist** and prepare an agenda for reform. Researched and prepared the study for the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India.

Selected Publications

Papers

- “Rethinking the Job Creation Strategy for India”, Co-Authored with Pradeep Mehta and Amol Kulkarni, CUTS International (yet to be published)
- “Re-thinking consumer welfare in electricity sector in India”, published by IPPAI, as part of a research publication, Powering India in 2017 and Beyond
- “The role of NGOs in competition law enforcement”, Research Handbook on International Competition Law, Edward Elgar (UK)
- Competition Regime and Business Welfare, Viewpoint Paper, published by CUTS International
- Collusion and Corruption in Public Procurement, published by OECD

Briefing Papers

- Comparative study of regulatory framework in infrastructure sector: Lessons for India
- Public interest issues In Competition Analysis
- Predatory pricing: Lessons for Developing Countries
- Sectoral regulation - Challenges for the Developing World
- Status of competition and regulation in India

Monograph

Mehta, U. & Sengupta, R. (2008), ‘Competition Policy: Essential Element for Private Sector Development in Eastern and Southern Africa’, CUTS International, Jaipur, India

Research Reports (Co-Authored)

- India Competition and Regulation Report, 2015 and 2017
- Consumer Empowerment in Electricity Reforms – A Review from South Asia
- Creating Regulators is not the End, Key is the Regulatory Process
- Understanding the State of Domestic Competition and Consumer Policies in Select MENA countries
