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Date of Birth: 21/05/1971 **Present Occupation:** Associate Director, CUTS International and Deputy Head, **CUTS-CCIER** 

## **Educational Qualification**

University/Institute	Year	Subject(s)	Degree
University of Delhi/Campus Law	1996	Law	LL.B.
Centre			
L. N. Mithila University	1991	Physics	B.Sc. (Hons.)

## **Work Experience**

Year	Experience
April 2022- till date	Associate Director, CUTS International and Deputy Head, CUTS-CCIER
2016 - 2022	Policy Analyst, CUTS International and Deputy Head, CUTS- CCIER
2009-2016	Freelance Consultant and Farmer
2004-2009	National Consultant (Trade & Health), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, India
2001-2004	Policy Analyst, Gene Campaign
1999-2001	Legal Researcher, CUTS-CITEE
1996-1999	Advocate, Lower Courts in Delhi and Delhi High Court

## **Project Experience:**

- Competition Assessment of the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988 and State aggregators rules; and Model APMC Act, 2003 for Competition Commission of India (2020 and 2017)
- Research project on Competition Assessment of Ride Sharing (2019)
- Involved in research study BRICS Digital Competition Law and Policy (conducted by BRICS Law and Policy Centre, HSE) (2019)
- Formulation of Financial Assistance Scheme component for the benefit of SC/ST community and New Scheme components compatible with WTO (2019)
- Bringing out biennial CUTS flagship Report on Competition and Regulation in India (2017 and 2019)
- Developing profile and functions for proposed IPR Unit for National Health Systems Research Centre, New Delhi set up under National Rural Health Mission (2010)
- Documenting key discussions and outcome of IP-related clauses in Global Strategy and Plan of Action for Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property - an assignment from WHO SEARO (2009)
- Testing and commenting on micro details of document titled "How to Search for

Patents on Medicines" developed by WHO-SEARO (2010)

• Sector Study for Healthcare Sector in the context of National Competition Policy

1advocacy – assigned by Indian Institute for Corporate Affairs, New Delhi (2011-12)

- Involved closely with a research study on Community Seed Banks in India in the context of the SAARC Regional Seed Bank and Climate Change. (2012)
- Established a WTO Cell in the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) (2004).
- Identification of specific trade issues (on TRIPS, GATS, SPS & TBT, Competition Law/Policy) that require further study and data collection as well as discussions from the perspective of access to health; and get those studies done and consultations organised. (2004-09)
- To help MoHFW in making interventions in the trade law/policy making at the national and international levels. In the ultimate analysis to enhance policy coherence between trade policy and health policy so that public health concerns are addressed in the trade policymaking and its subsequent implementation. (2004-09)
- Formed part of the Indian negotiating team on Global Strategy and Plan of Action on Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property, which was negotiated under WHO. (2008-09)
- Research project titled "Protection of Indigenous Knowledge of Biodiversity" funded by the IDRC (2003-04)
- Comparative Study of Competition Regime in Select Developing Countries of the Commonwealth (7-Up Project) funded by DFID (2000-01)
- Campaign on new competition law for India (2000-01)

# **Selected Publications:**

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- Mehta, P., Kumar U., Ghuman, P. (2020): Interface between Competition Policy and Intellectual Property Rights: Select Case Studies from India; Chapter 12, Corridors of Knowledge for Peace and Development, Sustainable Development Policy Institute, Sange-Meel Publications, Lahore, Pakistan
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- Kumar, U. and Singh, S. (2019): Global Discourse on E-Commerce Way Forward for India", CUTS International, Jaipur
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- Kumar, U. (2012): Sector Research Study from competition policy perspective Healthcare, Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA), New Delhi
- Kumar, U. (2009): Negotiation of Global Strategy and Plan of Action on Public Health Innovation and Intellectual Property – Preparedness and achievements of SEARO Countries, WHO-SEARO, New Delhi
- Kumar, U., Sahai, S., Ahmed, W. (2005): Indigenous Knowledge: Issues and Options for Developing Countries, Gene Campaign, New Delhi
- Kumar, U. (2004): Protection of Indigenous Knowledge in India Different

Perspectives, Article, IKSD No.1, Vol.1, Gene Campaign, New Delhi

- Kumar, U. and Sahai, S. (2003): Status of the Rights of Farmers and Plant Breeders in Asia, *Book*, Gene Campaign, New Delhi
- Kumar, U. (2003): Status of *amicus* briefs in DSU negotiations, *Trade and Development Monitor*, Vol. 2, No.1, March, SAWTEE, Kathmandu
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- Das, T. and Kumar, U. (2001): Competition Law & Policy Made Easy, *Monograph*, CUTS, Jaipur
- Kumar, U. and Mehta, P. (2001): Competition Bill of India, 2001: A Right Step in the Right Direction, *Briefing Paper*, CUTS, Jaipur
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- Kumar, U. and Mehta, P. (2001): Need for clearer norms on IPR in new competition Bill. *Financial Express*, 13.06.01
- Kumar, U. and Mehta, P. (2001): Competition law should have special provisions to check cartels, *Financial Express*, 14.07.01
- Kumar, U. and Mehta, P. (2001): Cooperation is the key in tackling cross-border competition abuses, *Financial Express*, 21.09.01
- Kumar, U. and Mehta, P. (2001): How free will the competition commission be?, *Financial Express*, 18.10.01
- Jensen, O., Kumar, U. and Nanda, N. (2001): All About International Investment Agreement, *Monograph*, CUTS, Jaipur
- Kumar, U. and Mehta, P. (2000): Trade, Competition & International Competition Rules: A South Asian Perspective, *South Asia Economic Journal*, Vol.1, No.2, September, pp. 65-94
- Kumar, U. and Mehta, P. (2000): Trade, Competition & Multilateral Competition Policy, *Monograph*, CUTS, Jaipur
- Kumar, U. and Mehta, P. (2000): Competition policy and poor, *Viewpoint paper*, CUTS, Jaipur
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- Kumar, U. (2000): Dispute Settlement at WTO From Politics to Legality? *Briefing Paper* CUTS, Jaipur

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