Curriculum Vitae

Title	**Dr**.	First Name	**Blessy**	Last Name	**Abraham**
Designation	**Assistant Professor**				
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EDUCATION

Degree	Institution	Year	Details
PhD	**Department of History, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi**	**2016 - 2025**	**Title of PhD: Aspects of Indian Tariff Policy from the 1920s to the 1950s.** **PhD supervisor: Dr. Prabhu P. Mohapatra**
MPhil	**Department of History, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi**	**2016**	**Title of M. Phil: The Inter-War Tariff Policy and Industrial Development in India (1919-1939).** **M. Phil supervisor: Dr. Prabhu P. Mohapatra**

CAREER PROFILE

Organization /Institution	Designation	Duration	Role
Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi	**Assistant Professor**	**January 2024 - present**	**Teaching**

HONORS & AWARDS

I. Awarded the BB Chaudhuri award for best paper in Indian economic history at the 81st Annual session of the Indian History Congress on 28th December 2023. The paper was later published in the 2022 IHC proceedings.

II. Awarded the short-term PhD DAAD fellowship at Centre for Modern Indian Studies (CEMIS), Gottingen, Germany, from October 2021 till February 2022.

III. Visiting Research Student and Commonwealth Split-Site Fellow under the supervision of Dr. Crispin Bates at the University of Edinburgh from October 2019 till February 2020.

IV. Awarded the ICHR (Indian Council of Historical Research)'s Junior Research Fellowship for the year 2018-19 on 25 May 2018.

V. Awarded the Charles Wallace three-month Research Fellowship at the British Library, London, from February to April 2017.

PUBLICATION DETAILS

I. Abraham, Blessy C., "Old Wine in a New Bottle: An Analysis of Indian Tariff Policy from 1941 to 1951," *Themes in Historical Geography*, vol 1, 2025, pp 1-15.

II. Abraham, Blessy C. Book review: Chakraborty, Titas. 2025. Empire of Labor. Univ of Chicago Press, *Isis: A Journal of the History of Science Society*, 2025.

III. Abraham, Blessy Chinnu. "The Empire's Cinderella: Examining the Indian Tariff Policy Debates, 1914-1924," *Proceedings of the Indian History Congress*, vol. 81, 2022, pp. 609-617.

IV. Abraham, Blessy C. Book review: Ishita Banerjee-Dube, A History of Modern India, Sugata Bose and Ayesha Jalal, Modern South Asia: History, Culture, Political Economy and Thomas R. Trautmann, India: A Brief History of a Civilization, *The Indian Economic and Social History Review*, 2018, vol. 55, Issue 4, 575-578.

Papers presented in Seminars/conferences:

V. Research paper presented online at a seminar organized by the Working Group for Energy Histories under Consortium for Science, Technology and Medicine (CHSTM) on 10th October 2025.

VI. Research paper presented online at the World Economic History Congress as part of the panel on 'Oil and oligopolies- Multinational Oil Companies, Market strategies, and state regulations, 1889-1939,'arranged by the Lund University from 29th July to 1st August 2025.

VII. Research paper presented at the workshop on 'Oil, oligopolies, and state response: a global and local history of oil markets, 1860s-1939' arranged by the NTNU, Trondheim from 19-20th February 2024.

VIII. Research paper presented at the workshop titled, 'Odious Investment: How finance creates, shapes and sustains global inequalities" organized by the Centre for Economic Cultures, University of Manchester from 6th-7th July, 2023.

IX. Research paper presented at the Modern South Asia Conference organized by Yale Macmillan Centre, in Colombo, Sri Lanka, from 28th -29th June, 2023.

X. Research paper presented at the Cambridge Politico-Intellectual History Workshop on Twentieth

Century India organized by the University of Cambridge, UK, held on June 17-19, 2021.

Field Work:

As part of my research work, I have worked extensively at the National Archives of India, NMML Archives, Reserve Bank of India Archives (Pune), Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics (Pune), Tata Central Archives (Pune), India Office Records at the British Library (London), Kew National Archives (London), Bank of England Archives (London) and the British Petroleum Archives (University of Warwick).