RESEARCH PROFILE

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- Undertaken research projects for the Ministry of Commerce, Government of India, Ministry of Textiles, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Environment and Forests; and for international organizations - Asian Development Bank, UNIDO, The World Bank, London School of Economics, and the South Asia Network of Economic research Institutes (SANEI).
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