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Research Interests Air Quality and its chemical and optical characterisation (BC and BrC)

Source apportionment using statistical approach

Atmospheric Processing of aerosols during episodic event like Fog-aerosol

interactions

Application of Low-cost sensors

Personal exposure and Deposition modelling

Aerosol effects on health

**Education** 

## Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, Kanpur, India

Department of Civil Engineering

PhD, July 2016 - June 2021

- Thesis Title: Aerosol-fog interaction in the rural Indo Gangetic Plain during winter time
- Supervisors: Prof. Tarun Gupta and Dr. Arnico K. Panday
- CPI: 8.0

### Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, Kanpur, India

Department of Environment Engineering & Management

MTech, July 2014 - June 2016)

- Thesis Title: Health risk assessment of submicron particle (PM1) and Evaluation of particle dose deposition in human lungs under varying microenvironments at IIT Kanpur
- Supervisor: Prof. Anubha Goel
- CPI: 7.75

### Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, India

Department of Civil Engineering

BTech, July 2010 - June 2014)

• CPI: 9.25

Academic Achievements

International Travel Support fellowship by SERB, India 2019

Best Poster award in AGU JING meeting (AJM2018) held in Xian, China

International Travel Support grant by IIT Kanpur 2018

ICIMOD 1-year PhD Fellowship 2017

PhD Scholarship from Ministry of Education for 5 years MTech. Scholarship from Ministry of Education for 2 years

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All India GATE rank 815 in Civil engineering 2014

Merit cum means scholarship 2013

Research Experience International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD),

Kathmandu, Nepal, Atmospheric Division Research Assistant, July 2017-June 2018

Supervisor: Dr. Arnico K. Panday

Professional Experience

Indian Institute of Technology (ISM) Dhanbad, Jharkhand, India

Assistant Professor, Department of Environmental Science and Engineering

Aug 2021- Present

World Research Institute (WRI), Washington, U.S.A Post-Doctoral Consultant, Clean Air Catalyst Project Apr 2021- Aug 2021

**Publications** 

**Izhar, Saifi**, Tarun Gupta, Adnan Mateen Qadri, and Arnico K. Panday. "Wintertime chemical characteristics of aerosol and their role in light extinction during clear and polluted days in rural Indo Gangetic plain." Environmental Pollution 282 (2021): 117034

**Izhar, Saifi**, Tarun Gupta, and Arnico K. Panday. "Improved method to apportion optical absorption by black and brown carbon under the influence of haze and fog at Lumbini, Nepal, on the Indo-Gangetic Plains." Environmental Pollution 263 (2020): 114640

**Izhar, Saifi**, Tarun Gupta, and Arnico K. Panday. "Scavenging efficiency of water soluble inorganic and organic aerosols by fog droplets in the Indo Gangetic Plain." Atmospheric Research 235 (2020): 104767

**Izhar, Saifi**, Tarun Gupta, Aliva P. Minz, Shantibhusan Senapati, and Arnico K. Panday. "Influence of regional and long range transport air masses on fog water composition, contribution and toxicological response at Indo Gangetic Plain." Atmospheric Environment (2019): 116888

Rajput, Prashant, **Saifi Izhar**, and Tarun Gupta. "Deposition modeling of ambient aerosols in human respiratory system: Health implication of fine particles penetration into pulmonary region." Atmospheric Pollution Research 10, no. 1 (2019): 334-343

**Izhar, Saifi**, Prashant Rajput, and Tarun Gupta. "Variation of particle number and mass concentration and associated mass deposition during Diwali festival." Urban climate 24 (2018): 1027-1036

Goel, Anubha, **Saifi Izhar**, and Tarun Gupta. "Study of environmental particle levels, its effects on lung deposition and relationship with human behaviour." In Environmental Contaminants, pp. 77-91. Springer, Singapore, 2018

**Izhar, Saifi**, Anubha Goel, Abhishek Chakraborty, and Tarun Gupta. "Annual trends in occurrence of submicron particles in ambient air and health risk posed by particle bound metals." Chemosphere 146 (2016): 582-590

Goel, Anubha, Pinki Bhandari, **Saifi Izhar**, Chhavi Sharma, P K Patanjali. "Effect of Spray Particle Size Distribution on Deposition in Human Respiratory Tract – Safety Evaluation." Journal of Scientific and Industrial Research 79 (2020)

#### Conferences

**Izhar, Saifi**, Tarun Gupta, and Arnico K. Panday (2019) "Impact of Visibility on Light Absorption by Atmospheric Aerosol Brown Carbon". EAC2019 (Gothenburg, Sweden) (Oral).

Izhar, Saifi, Tarun Gupta, and Arnico K. Panday (2018) "Understanding persistent winter fog impact on aerosol chemistry by evaluating day and night time particulate matter and their chemical species concentration at UNESCO World Heritage site Lumbini, Nepal" in AGU JING (Joint International Network in Geoscience) (AJM2018) (Xian, China) (Poster).

**Izhar, Saifi**, Tarun Gupta, and Arnico K. Panday (2018) "Impacts of air masses on fog water chemical composition and contribution in the Indo Gangetic Plain". Conference of Indian Aerosol Science & Technology Association-2018, (IIT Delhi) (Poster).

**Izhar, Saifi**, Tarun Gupta, and Arnico K. Panday (2018) "Fog scavenging of aerosol particles in the foothills of Himalayas". International Conference on Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics in Highly Polluted Environments, CIAAS 2019, (IIT Delhi) (Oral).

Izhar, Saifi, Siva Praveen Puppala, Maheswar Rupakheti, August Andersson, Örjan Gustafsson, Sujan Shrestha, Arnico K. Panday (2017) "Understanding the volatile compounds influence on absorbing properties of aerosol in the Kathmandu Valley". International workshop and science policy dialogue on Air Pollution, Climate and Health in Southern Asia and Hind Kush Himalaya-2017 (ICIMOD, Kathmandu) (Poster).