

CURRICULUM VITAE

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Air quality modelling; Numerical Weather Modeling; satellite remote sensing of air pollution; Statistical Modeling;
- Field measurements of air pollutants and meteorological variables.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

2019 PhD Dept of Physics, BIT Mesra Ranchi, India.

Title: Numerical Modeling of Air Quality Over North West India.

GPA: 8.6

2006 Master of Computer Applications (MCA)

Mohan Lal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, Rajasthan, India.

67.91 %

SKILLS

- Model Experience WRF,WRF-Chem and CMAQ
- Operating Systems known- Windows, Linux, Unix
- Experiences in using GrADS, CDO, Microsoft Office, Python, FORTRAN
- Softwares- Origin, NCL
- Presentation, Technical Writing, Sampling and Statistical Analysis and Visualisation

PROJECTS EXPERIENCE

- ➤ Lightning impact on ozone precursors over Indian region and its implications on tropospheric ozone sponsored by Ministry of Earth Sciences, India. Responsibilities: WRF-Chem Modeling, Satellite Data Analysis, Validation.
- ➤ The AERONET campaign: base station at Jaipur, India" in collaboration with GSFC, NASA. Responsibilities: Data Download, Site Maintanence.
- > The Impact of Climate Change on Glaciers in Uttrakhand with Special reference to Gangotri & related Glaciers sponsored by WWF- India.

Responsibilities: Site Monitoring and AWS Data Downloading and handling.

INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATIONS (CIF ≈50)

- Manish Soni, Sunita Verma, Manoj K. Mishra, R K Mall, Swagata Payra(2021).
 Estimation of Particulate Matter Pollution using WRF-Chem during dust storm event over India. Urban Climate, IF =6.66, Published:01st July 2022, DOI:, 10.1016/j.uclim.2022.101202, Indexing: scie, scopus.
- Sunita Verma, Manish Soni, Harshbardhan Kumar, Swagata Payra, Manoj Mishra, Rohini Bhanwar (2022). Characterizing Aerosols during Forest Fires over Uttarakhand Region in India using Multi-Satellite Remote Sensing Data. Advances in Space Research. IF =2.61, Published: 30th May 2022, DOI: 10.1016/j.asr.2022.05.051, Indexing:sci,scie,scopus.
- 3. **Manish Soni**, Amit Singh Chandel, Sunita Verma, Swagata Payra, Divya Prakash, Brent Holben (2021). Aerosols properties over desert influenced locations situated in four different continents. Atmospheric Environment, DOI:10.1016/j.atmosenv.2021.118232, **IF=5.75**, Published:31 January 2021, Vol 248,ISSN:1352-2310, Indexing: sci, scopus.
- 4. **Manish Soni**, Sunita Verma, Hiren Jethava, Swagata Payra, Lok Lamsal, Priyanshu Gupta, and Janhavi Singh (2020). Impact of COVID-19 on the Air Quality over China and India Using Long-term (2009-2020) Multi-Satellite Data. Aerosol and Air Quality Research ,21,DOI:10.4209/aaqr.2020.06.0295, **IF=4.53**, ISSN: 1680-8584, Published: 19 November 2020, Vol 21, Issue 3,Indexing:scie,scopus.
- 5. Pramod Kumar Yadava, **Manish Soni**, Sunita Verma, Harshbardhan Kumar, Ajay Sharma, & Swagata Payra (2020). The major lightning regions and associated casualties over India. Natural Hazards, 1-13, DOI:10.1007/s11069-020-03870-8, **IF= 3.15**, ISSN: 0921-030X, Published:12 February 2020, Indexing:scie, scopus.
- 6. **Manish Soni**, Swagata Payra & Sunita Verma (2018). Particulate matter estimation over a semi arid region Jaipur, India using satellite AOD and meteorological parameters. Atmospheric Pollution Research, DOI: 10.1016/j.apr.2018.03.001, **IF=4.83**,ISSN:1309-1042, Available Online 21st March, 2018, Vol 9, Issue 5, pp. 949–958, Indexing:sci,scie,scopus.
- Swagata Payra, Pramod Kumar, Sunita Verma, Divya Prakash and Manish Soni (2016). Potential source identification for aerosol concentrations over a site in Northwestern India. Atmospheric Research, 169 (2016): 65-72, DOI:

- 10.1016/j.atmosres.2015.09.022, **IF=5.96**, ISSN: 0169-8095, Published: 1 March 2016, Vol 169 Part A,pp 65-72, Indexing:sci,scie,scopus.
- 8. Swagata Payra, Manish Soni, Anikender Kumar, Divya Prakash and Sunita Verma (2015). Intercomparison of Aerosol Optical Thickness Derived from MODIS and in Situ Ground Datasets over Jaipur, a Semi-arid Zone in India, Environmental Science and Technology, 2015. DOI: 10.1021/acs.est.5b02225, IF= 11.35, ISSN: 0013-936X, Published: 4 August 2015, Vol 49, Issue 15, pp 9237-9246, Indexing: scie, scopus.
- Sunita Verma, Divya Prakash Yadav, Phillippe Ricaud Swagata Payra, J-L Attié and Manish Soni (2015). A New Classification of Aerosol Sources and Types as Measured over Jaipur, India, Aerosol and Air Quality Research, Vol 15, No. 3, pp. 985 993. DOI: 10.4209/aaqr.2014.07.0143, IF=4.53, ISSN: 1680-8584, Published: 1 June 2015, Indexing:scie,scopus.
- 10. Divya Prakash, Swagata Payra, Sunita Verma and Manish Soni (2013) Aerosol particle behavior during Dust Storm and Diwali over an urban location in North Western India, Natural Hazards, Vol 69, pp. 1767 1779. DOI: 10.1007/s11069-013-0780-1, IF= 3.15, ISSN: 0921-030X,Published:1 December 2013, Indexing:scie,scopus.
- 11. Sunita Verma, Swagata Payra, Ritesh Gautam, Divya Prakash, **Manish Soni**, Brent Holben, and Shaun Bell (2013). Dust events and their influence on aerosol optical properties over Jaipur in Northwestern India, Environmental Monitoring and Assessment, Vol 185, Issue 9, pp. 7327 7342,DOI: 10.1007/s10661-013-3103-9, **IF= 3.30**, ISSN: 0167-6369,Published: 1 September 2013, Indexing:scie,scopus.
- 12. Swagata Payra, Sunita Verma, Divya Prakash, Pramod Kumar, **Manish Soni**, Brent Holben (2013). Aerosols properties during dust-storm episodes over Jaipur, Northwestern India, AIP Conference Proceedings, vol. 1527, pp. 515–518, ISSN: 094-243X, Published: 24 May 2013.

NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

> Sunita Verma, **Manish Soni** and Swagata Payra (2018). Role of Meteorology and Satellite Retrievals in Estimating the Ground Particulate Matter During the Pre-Monsoon Period Over Jaipur, India, International Journal of Earth and

- Atmospheric Science, Vol 5, Issue 1, ISSN: 2349-9222, Pages 62-72, Published: 30th March 2018.
- ➤ Manish Soni, Sunita Verma, Swagata Payra: Impact of Spatial Resolution on Meteorological Parameters using WRF Model over Jaipur, India, NCACE 2016, NCACE 2016, International Journal of Engineering Research and Technology (IJERT), Vol 4, I 23.
- ➤ Manish Soni, Swagata Payra, Palash Sinha, and Sunita Verma (2014). A Performance Evaluation of WRF Model Using Different Physical Parameterization Scheme during Winter Season over a Semi-Arid Region, India, International Journal of Earth and Atmospheric Science, October-December, 2014, Vol 1, Issue 3, ISSN: 2349-9222, Pages 104-114, Published: 02 December 2014.
- Swagata Payra, Divya Prakash, Manish Soni, and Sunita Verma (2014). Size-Segregated aerosol Particles: an observational study at urban location in Northwestern India, Vayumandal, 2014 02/2014 38(3-4):66-70, ISSN: 0970-1397.

BOOK CHAPTER

Sunita Verma, Divya Prakash, **Manish Soni** and Kirpa Ram: Atmospheric Aerosols Monitoring: Ground and Satellite-based Instruments, Advances in Environmental Monitoring and Assessment,IntechOpen, Published: April 30th 2019, Doi:10.5772/intechopen.80489, https://www.intechopen.com/online-first/atmospheric-aerosols-monitoring-ground-and-satellite-based-instruments

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- ➤ Manish Soni, Swagata Payra, Sunita Verma, Anikender Kumar: Estimation of tropospheric Ozone during a lightning event in pre-monsoon season over India, ICCMTRI 2023, BIT Mesra Jaipur Campus, Rajasthan, India, July 27-28, 2023.
- ➤ Manish Soni, Christos Efstathiou, Ramarao Mandavalli, Christopher Rick, Jonathan I. Levy, Pat Kinney, Laura Buckley, Matt Raifman, Frederica Perera, Kathleen Lau, Katy Coomes, Jonathan Buonocore, Saravanan Arunachalam: Highresolution modeling of air quality and health benefits of transportation policies in the Boston Metropolitan area (Poster), AGU Fall Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, 12th-16th December, 2022.

- ➤ Manish Soni, Christos Efstathiou, Ramarao Mandavalli, Saravanan Arunachalam, Christopher Rick, Jonathan I. Levy, Pat Kinney, Laura Buckley, Matt Raifman, Jonathan Buonocore: High-resolution modeling of air quality and health benefits of transportation policies in the Boston Metropolitan area, 2022 CMAS Conference UNC Chapel Hill NC, 17th-19th October, 2022.
- ➤ Manish Soni, Swagata Payra and Sunita Verma: Particulate Matter Pollution over North Western India using integrated modeling approach: Case Study of Premonsoon Event (Poster), 16th IGAC Scientific Conference,12-20 September,2021.
- ➤ Swagata Payra, **Manish Soni**, and Sunita Verma: Estimation of Ozone during lightning event in pre-monsoon season (Poster), 16th IGAC Scientific Conference, 12-20 September, 2021.
- ➤ Manish Soni, Swagata Payra and Sunita Verma:Impact on Air quality parameters during the Raikoke Volcano eruption using Satellite Observations (Poster), AGU Fall Meeting 2020, 1-17 December 2020.
- Swagata Payra, Manish Soni, Divya Prakash and Sunita Verma: Aerosol properties and their influences over a semi arid zone over India, 5th International Skynet workshop, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Lodhi Road New Delhi, 13-15 February 2019.
- ➤ **Manish Soni**, Swagata Payra and Sunita Verma:Radiative forcing estimation of aerosols at four locations in india and Pakistan using ground based remote sensing instruments, ,IASTA -2018,CAS,IIT Delhi,26-28,November,2018.
- Manish Soni, Swagata Payra and Sunita Verma: Application of Artificial Neural Networks for fog forecast over Delhi, NCITCE 2018, Poornima University,13-14 April,2018.
- Swagata Payra, Manish Soni and Sunita Verma: Application of WRF-Chem to simulate a dust event over North-West India at Invitation to Workshop & Science-Policy Dialogue, Air pollution, Climate and Health in Southern Asia and the Hindukush Himalaya, 27-30 November 2017, ICIMOD Kathmandu, Nepal.
- ➤ Manish Soni, Swagata Payra, Sunita Verma: Role of Meteorology and Satellite Retrievals in Estimating the Ground Particulate Matter During the Pre-Monsoon Period Over Jaipur, India, 5th Rajasthan Science Congress, Amity University, Jaipur,13-15, October 2017.
- > Manish Soni, Sunita Verma and Swagata Payra: Multiple Regression approach for air quality assessment using integrated surface, satellite, and meteorological data

- over Jaipur, Rajasthan India, The Third ACAM Workshop, Jinan University, Guangzhou, China, 5-9 June 2017.
- ➤ Manish Soni, Sunita Verma, Swagata Payra: Impact of Spatial Resolution on Meteorological Parameters using WRF Model over Jaipur, India, NCACE 2016, Poornima University, 1-2 April, 2016.
- ➤ Divya Prakash Yadav, Sunita Verma, Swagata Payra, **Manish Soni**:Understanding the aerosol behaviour during dust epochs using GRIMM aerosol spectrometer, TROPMET 2015, National Symposium on WEATHER & CLIMATE EXTREMES, Punjab University, Chandigarh.
- Swagata Payra, Manish Soni, Sunita Verma and Divya Prakash Yadav: AOT from MODIS and ground based remote sensing observations over Northwestern India, IASTA-2014, 11 13th November, 2014, Varanasi, India
- ➤ Divya Prakash, Sunita Verma, Swagata Payra and **Manish Soni**: Study of aerosol behavior over an urban location Jaipur, in north western India. National Hindi Scientific Conference on "Climate change, Monsoon variability, Forecasting and Climate Services: Scientific Approach" during 30-31st July 2014 at Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology, Pune.
- ➤ Manish Soni, Swagata Payra, Anikender Kumar, Sunita Verma and Divya Prakash: Validation of Aerosol retrieved Products obtained from MODIS with AERONET over an urban location, Jaipur, India, ICIMOD's SARAS workshop, 7-9 June, 2014, Pokhara, Nepal.
- Sunita Verma, Divya Prakash, Swagata Payra and Manish Soni: Aerosols sources over Jaipur in Northwestern India from ground based AERONET measurements, MOZAIC-IAGOS Symposium, Toulouse, France, 10-14 May 2014.
- Divya Prakash, Sunita Verma, Manish Soni, Swagata Payra: Size characteristics of atmospheric aerosol using GRIMM over an urban environment, INTROMET, 21-24 Feb 2014.
- Sunita Verma, Swagata Payra, **Manish Soni**, and Divya Prakash: Ground based observation of aerosols over a site in Northwestern India, Future Directions for Weather and Climate Research in the Tropics, CAS, IITD, 3-5 December, 2012.
- Swagata Payra, Sunita Verma, Manish Soni, Divya Prakash and Brent Holben: Aerosols characteristics over an urban location in Northwestern India, OCHAMP-2012, IITM 21-26 Feb 2012.

- Sunita Verma, Swagata Payra, **Manish Soni**, Divya Prakash, Brent Holben: Assessment on Aerosols Optical Properties from the Observations During AERONET Campaign Over an Urban Location in India, World Climate Research Programme Open Science, Conference 24 28 October, 2011, Denever, Colorado USA.
- Swagata Payra, Sunita Verma, Manish Soni, Divya Prakash and Brent Holben: Seasonal Variability of Aerosols Parameters over an Urban Location in India, 30th Annual Conference of American Association for Aerosol Research, Orlando, Florida, 3 – 7 October, 2011

TRAINING WORKSHOP

- ➤ Introduction to CMAQ Modeling System Online, Community Modeling and Analysis System (CMAS), 26th April-29 April,2022.
- ➤ National Oceanographic and Maritime Institute (NOAMI) and Bangladesh Centre for Analytics (BCA) Certificate course on Data Science & Machine Learning with Python, 27th July-19th September 2021.
- ➤ International Summer School SOlar Radiation Based Established Techniques for aTmospheric Observations: SORBETTO ONLINE, ISAC-CNR, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy, 13 15 September 2021.
- International Workshop on ICTP Regional Climate Model: Application over South Asian CORDEX Domain, 22-28 February 2021, Dibrugarh University, Assam.
- > TERI-Uni Research Climate Research School on Climate Extremes, 18-22 September, 2017 held at Teri University, New Delhi.
- > Second ACAM Training School on Observations and modeling of atmospheric chemistry and aerosols in asian monsoon,10-12 June 2017, Jinan University, Guangzhou, China.
- ➤ Satellite Remote Sensing of Particulate Matter Air Quality-Data , Tools, Methods and Applications(Aka AOD-PM), NASA, Applied Remote Sensing Training ARSET Air Quality, 01- 29 Oct, 2015.
- ➤ Third Training Workshop on "Climate Modelling: Simulations and Analysis' (01 –12 June 2015) at Center of Atmospheric Sciences, IIT, Delhi
- NASA Earth Observations and Tools For Air Quality Applications in South East Asia,2015, APPLIED REMOTE SENSING TRAINING ARSET Air Quality.
- ➤ Second Training Workshop on "Climate Modelling: Simulations and Analysis' (23 June −05 July 2014) at Center of Atmospheric Sciences, IIT, Delhi.

First Training Workshop on "Climate Modelling: Simulations and Analysis' (9–21 December 2013) at Center of Atmospheric Sciences, IIT, Delhi.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- ➤ Best Trainee for certificate course on on Data Science & Machine Learning with Python organized by NOAMI and BCA, 27th July-19th September 2021.
- > Second Best Conference Paper presentation at Poornima University, Jaipur in National Conference in Innovative Trends in Civil Engineering (NICTCE-2018)
- Full paid International travel Grant to present paper at III ACAM workshop and II ACAM training school, 05-12, June 2017, Jinan University, Guangzhou, China
- ➤ Best Conference Paper presentation at Poornima University, Jaipur in National Conference On Advances In Civil Engineering (NCACE-2016).
- > International travel Grant to present paper at ICIMOD, Pokhara Nepal(SARAS-2014).