

Clear Horizon

CURRICULUM VITAE

Rootu Patel, Consultant



Overview of Expertise

Rootu is a results-oriented Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Consultant with over four years of experience in designing and implementing comprehensive M&E frameworks and conducting evaluations across a range of sectors, including gender and social inclusion, financial inclusion, livelihoods, and agriculture in India. She brings strong expertise in both formative and summative evaluations, employing mixed-methods and quasi-experimental approaches to generate evidence-based insights that inform policy and programmatic decision-making.

With a strong foundation in Economics, Rootu applies advanced statistical techniques to support rigorous impact assessments and program evaluations. She is skilled in supporting theories of change, designing qualitative and quantitative research tools, and managing end-to-end data collection and analysis processes. Rootu is proficient in statistical software such as STATA and R, enabling her to translate complex data into clear, actionable findings for a variety of stakeholders.

Qualifications & Training

2020 Master of Science (Economics), NMIMS, India

2018 Bachelor of Arts (Economics & International Relations), Pandit Deendayal Energy University, India

Project Experience

Research and Evaluation (at Catalyst Management Services)



- Co-authored evaluation report & Co-leading questionnaire development, tool training, and data quality monitoring and conducted data cleaning and analysis of Impact Evaluation of National Rural Economic Transformation Project (NRETP) for The Ministry of Rural Development and The Gates Foundation, India (2025).
- Co-authored the baseline report and co-developed evaluation framework, questionnaire development, supported data monitoring and cleaning, and contributed to data analysis of Monitoring and Outcome Evaluation of End Ultra Poverty (EUP) program in Jharkhand for The Nudge Institute, India, 2024.
- Co-authored the endline report and engaged in tool training, supporting quantitative and qualitative data analysis of Impact Evaluation of Organic Cotton Farmer training program for The Laudes Foundation, India, 2024.
- Co-authored and supported tool development and data collection, quantitative and qualitative analysis, of the report, Fostering female growth entrepreneurship in rural India: An

assessment/understanding of growth-oriented, opportunity-driven rural women entrepreneurs for the World Bank, India, 2023.

- Engaged in tool training and supported in data collection and analysis of Agri and Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) Finance Market Assessment for The International Finance Corporation (IFC, The World Bank Group), India, 2023.
- Co-designed assessment tools, synthesized qualitative and quantitative data, and support the reporting of Scoping Assessment, Analysis and Identification of Specific Interventions to enhance household income in Dwarka and Jamnagar districts of Gujarat for The United Nations Development Program (UNDP), India, 2022.

Positions held

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| 2025 – Present | Consultant, Clear Horizon |
| 2020 - 2025 | Consultant – Technical Specialist (Quantitative), Catalyst Management Services Pvt. Ltd. (India) |
| | Technical Specialist – Econometrics, Catalyst Management Services Pvt. Ltd. (India) |
| | Research Associate, Catalyst Management Services Pvt. Ltd. (India) |

Academic Publications

Pinto,Alreena Renita; Gupta,Arshia; Shah,Rohan; Ritika Gupta; Vatsima Tripathi; Prerak Shah; Rootu Patel; Jain,Saumya. *The Future is Female: An Assessment of Growth-Oriented, Opportunity-Driven, Women-Owned Enterprises in Rural India (English)*. Washington, D.C.: World Bank Group.

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