

MEET THE STAFF AT UNODC ROSA



AJIT JOY
Project Coordinator RAS/R32 - Human Trafficking

Ajit started his career as a lawyer practicing criminal and constitutional law in the High Court of Kerala and the Supreme Court of India. He later joined the Indian Civil Service in 1993 as an officer in the Indian Police Service. He has worked as the Police Chief of four districts in Bihar State, achieving expertise in anti-extremist work and conduct of elections in troubled areas. He introduced community policing in Khagaria District and also started the concept of Model Police Stations in the state.

Ajit has also worked in Criminal Investigation and Anti-Corruption units. In 2004 he resumed his law practice, but soon joined the ROSA office in March 2005. He has done his BA and LL.B from the University of Kerala and his LL.M from Harvard Law School. He is associated with several NGO's as consultant and also briefly taught Law at the National University of Juridical Science, Kolkota. He is married to Mintu and has a son 4 and daughter 1.



ANAND B. CHAUDHURI
Project Coordinator RAS/H13 - Drugs & HIV

Anand holds a postgraduate qualification (MD and a Diploma in Public Health as well as Health and Hospital Administration) with 30 years of work experience including WHO, Drug Demand Reduction (grassroots NGO to UN Systems), HIV (UNAIDS) and in Development (Care India). He has also taught Preventive and Social Medicine to medical undergraduates and has worked in two corporate settings - developing community health and welfare

systems for Larsen & Toubro and developing a 100-bed hospital as part of a teaching medical facility for Raymonds. He has been actively engaged in social development with the Lions International movement. He has been working in UNODC ROSA since 2000.





ANJU GUPTA

Project Officer IND/S16 – Human Trafficking

Anju holds a research degree in High Energy Physics. She was a high ranking civil servant of the Indian government who has (on permission) recently joined the anti-human trafficking project as the Project Officer. She has worked with NGOs for three years before joining the civil services and about three and a half years with the United Nations (Kosovo and Bangkok) on deputation/permission. She has extensive experience in designing policies, strategies and programmes for law enforcement and building public-private partnerships for targeted delivery of services. Her special skills are – networking, communication, ICT applications and event

management.



ARCHANA KHERA

Project Associate RAS/R32 – Human Trafficking

Archana Khera has joined the office as the Admin and Finance Assistant on GLO/R32. A Graduate in Economics from the Delhi University, she has more than 10 years' experience in administration and finance. She was associated with the Bank of America as a Senior Administrative Specialist, managing a team of associates responsible for providing banking services at offsite locations. Prior to this she worked in this office on IND/E40 (Community Wide Demand Reduction) as Administrative and Programme Associate for 3 years.



ARJUN BHALLA

Web Assistant, ITS Team

A graduate of Algonquin College, Ottawa, Canada in Computer Programming, Arjun has been working with UNODC ROSA since 2005. Prior to joining this office Arjun has worked in a variety of settings wherein he served as web manager at NIRPHAD. He is currently employed as a web assistant in the ITS team and has been an able worker. He loves sports and enjoys reading books and driving.





ARSHIYA SETHI
Communications and Networking Consultant IND/G86
– Drugs & HIV

Prior to working in ROSA Arshiya headed programming at centres dedicated to academics, civil society work and culture, first at the India Habitat Centre, and then at Poorva Sanskriti Kendra, which she continues to mentor. Additionally, Arshiya has set up an NGO, Kri Foundation, that is mandated to work on new frontiers of scholarship and the arts. Arshiya derives joy from her work with children and young people, and mentors several promising individuals and youth organizations. She has considerable experience with the media (Radio / TV) and has contributed a number of articles to national dailies and other journals in

India over the years. Besides having the degree of M.Phil, she is pursuing a PhD from the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Delhi. She was a Fulbright Fellow at New York's Lincoln Centre in 2003-2004. She is the mother of two teenage sons.



ARUNA MALKANI
Project Assistant RAS/H71, RAS/G23, GLO/C54 –
Drugs & HIV

Aruna, born in December 1980 is a graduate in humanities from University of Delhi and has done a Diploma course from the National Institute of Information Technology (NIIT). Adept at power point presentations, Aruna is very familiar with Microsoft Office systems. She is very good in making the Power-point presentation. She has been

associated with the UN System for the past four years she has developed a sound knowledge in data analysis (SPSS) especially with regard to the Knowledge Attitude and Practice Analysis. She has most recently rendered assistance in developing the Prison Toolkit.



ASHITA MITTAL
Senior National Programme Officer, UNODC
ROSA

A Fulbright scholar, Ashita has a postgraduate degree in Social Work from Delhi University and has experience of working in the UN system for over 15 years. She possesses extensive professional experience in handling and monitoring programmes relating to drugs and HIV. She is serving as the Senior National Programme Officer at ROSA and has special interests in gender-related issues and has served as ROSA's focal point on gender, HIV/AIDS and health. Known for possessing good communication skills, she has also been involved in

various initiatives at the grass-roots levels.





AUGUSTINE FRANCIS
Driver/Messenger, UNODC ROSA

Francis has recently joined ROSA. He is a committed driver who says he likes keeping a balance between work and life. He loves playing softball and is a sports-loving person.



CHAND KAUSHIL
Team Leader, Global Field Office
Support, Information Technology Service

Chand holds a MBA degree from IMI, New Delhi. He has been working in UNODC since 1998. Currently responsible for managing all the IT infrastructure of the UNODC field Office's, Chand is known for his technical and analytical skills. He has been an able team leader and has been associated with the office in past in various technical capacities. He also has actively participated in designing and implementing various financial and administrative software solutions for the field

offices. Chand is fond of swimming and cycling.



GARY LEWIS
Representative, UNODC ROSA

A national of Barbados, Gary was appointed as UNODC Representative for South Asia, effective January 2004. His previous postings with UNODC were South Africa, Afghanistan, Pakistan and a stint in HQ in the mid-1990s. Gary started his UN career as a National Programme Officer with the UNDP in Barbados from 1987-93. Gary holds a Master of Science degree in International Relations from the London School of Economics. He has also worked as a journalist in London and as an auditor with Coopers & Lybrand in Barbados. A published author on history, his interests include bass guitar, scuba diving, 4x4 off-road driving, paleoanthropology and soccer. He is in India with his wife Elizabeth and their three daughters.





GAURI SUBRAMANIAM
Consultant RAS/R32 – Human Trafficking

Gauri completed a five-year programme in law and has worked in varied fields such as human rights, women's rights and the rights of the aged. Most recently, she was associated with the drafting of public interest petitions in the High Court at Delhi with regard to the rights of the elderly, the conditions of manual scavengers all over India and the preparation of a report by a fact-finding mission looking into the plight of the victims and legal issues related to the Bhopal Gas leak disaster. Her special interests include issues relating to terrorism, international criminal law and the rights of women.



GOPIKA RAINA
National UNV Project Officer RAS/H13 – Drugs & HIV

A Post Graduate in Social Work (M.S.W.) from Nirmala Niketan, University of Mumbai, India, Gopika also has a Certificate in Cross Cultural Counseling Skills from the University of British Columbia, Canada. Gopika has extensive experience in working with clients with forensic, psychiatric, and other mental health issues. Gopika has more than five years of experience in the field of child abuse and child protection, and considerable experience in working with women's issues such as disempowerment of women and domestic violence.



HARSHETH VIRK
Project Officer RAS/H13 – Prevention of Drugs & HIV

A Masters in Political Science from Delhi University Harsheth is pursuing a Masters degree in International Relations at the University of Chicago on an International House Fellowship since 1997. She has a significant amount of experience working on a variety of developmental issues and in different capacities. She has been associated with UNODC ROSA since June 2004 and is currently a Project Officer with the project RAS H13.





JAYADEV SARANGI
Consultant RAS/H71 – Drugs & HIV

Jayadev is currently Consultant (Prisons) at UNODC ROSA. He is a serving civil servant of Government of India on secondment to UNODC. He has been associated with prison systems and management for nearly two decades. He holds a Ph.D. from the Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi (thesis: "Factors Related to the Effectiveness of Correctional Organizations") and a Masters degree in Sociology from the Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics. Jayadev was the first UN Fellow on Prison Reforms in the year 1995 at the Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Branch in UN Vienna.



JAYANT CHOPRA
Project Assistant RAS/H13 – Drugs & HIV

Born in 1973 in New Delhi, Jayant is a Graduate in Arts (Humanities) from the Osmania University, Hyderabad. Jayant has experience in varied fields i.e. marketing, medical transcription and IT. He has worked in various capacities in these fields. He was recently a fellow on the FINGODAP exchange programme with Canada. He is a self-learner and is keen to upgrade his skills on the issue of drug abuse and HIV/AIDS.



JOHN JOSEPH FRANCIS
National UNV Project Officer RAS/H13 – Drugs & HIV

A graduate in Mathematics from Loyola College, Chennai, India, with strong IT skills, John has been a committed professional in the field of drug abuse and HIV, specializing in programme design and implementation aimed at reducing harms associated with drug use-preventing the spread of drug driven

HIV. He has experience in working extensively in this field with civil society organizations.





VARGHESE JOHN
Administrative & Finance Assistant IND/S16 -
Human Trafficking

A graduate in commerce and holds a diploma in Business Administration. He has extensive experience in administration and finance, handling multi-faceted activities. Varghese has worked in various capacities in this field. He received a Certificate of Appreciation from the National AIDS Control Organization (NACO), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, India, in recognition of Outstanding Service in creating AIDS awareness by undertaking the AIDS Walk for Life in 2005.



JOYCE ZINYU ANGAMI
Project Officer (North East) IND/I49, RAS/G86 - Drugs &
HIV

Joyce holds a diploma in tropical medicine and hygiene from the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, as well as a diploma in Venereology, Liverpool University, UK. She has 12 years' experience in the field of drug demand reduction and HIV/AIDS. Joyce is a trainer of the NGOs in targeted interventions. She has been actively involved in the development of a School AIDS Education Module, under the Nagaland State AIDS Control Society and contributed to the evolution of a School Curriculum on

'Facts of Life' for the Nagaland Baptist Church Council, in Nagaland. Joyce has also worked with People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) in Nagaland.



JYOTI MEHRA
HIV/AIDS Advisor, UNODC India

Born in 1963, in Delhi, Jyoti has a doctorate in Social Work. Jyoti possesses 18 years of progressive experience as a programme manager, researcher and technical advisor and trainer in bilateral and multilateral funded HIV/AIDS and sexual and reproductive health programmes. She has worked in the area of drug demand reduction at the grassroots level in the early years of her career. She also has special expertise in project management, monitoring, evaluation and research, experience in leading multi-disciplinary professional teams, and in depth knowledge of the challenges of implementing projects for vulnerable and

marginalized groups. Jyoti possesses skills in networking programme development, HIV/AIDS programming and proposal writing and has recognized skills in mainstreaming gender equity issues in project implementation.





KAMAL GUPTA

Administrative & Finance Assistant RAS/H71, RAS/G23, GLO/C54 – Drugs & HIV

A Graduate in Science from the University of Rajasthan, Kamal has been working with ROSA since February 1999. Additionally, he has a Diploma in Hospital Administration and System Engineering. Currently he is working with Project RAS/H71 as Admin and Finance Assistant. Known for his multi-tasking abilities and complete commitment to task,

he has undertaken a variety of key initiatives which includes supporting office publications i.e. National Survey, Monographs, Intervention toolkits, and the South Asia Situation Assessment Report.



KAVITA VERMA

Management Associate, UNODC ROSA

Kavita joined UNODC ROSA as a Management Associate in January 2003. Aside from her work in ROSA, her 14 years' work experience includes assignments with the World Food Programme (WFP), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and also in the private sector with the Tata Energy Research Institute (TERI). Currently she is ROSA's approving officer and human resources focal

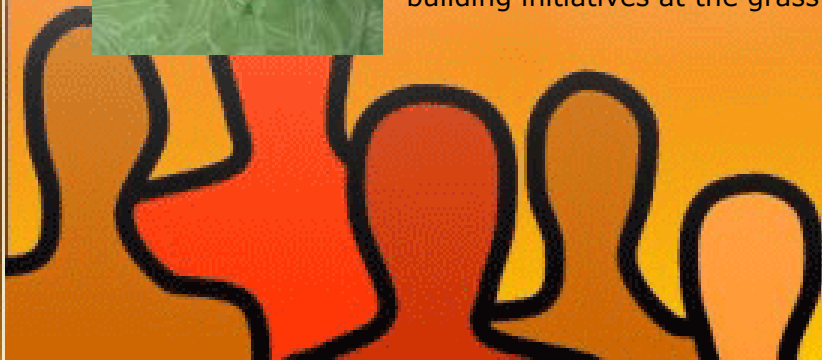
point as well as serving as executive secretary in the front office. On the basis of her performance, Kavita has been selected on a six-month fixed-term assignment with UNODC HQ HRMS starting on 29 May. Kavita is a Graduate in Arts from the Delhi University and holds a diploma in Secretarial Practice and Computer Operation. She is married to Sanjay and has a 10-year old son.



KUNAL KISHORE

National UNV Project Officer RAS/H13 – Drugs & HIV

A postgraduate in Arts (Humanities) from the University of Delhi, Kunal has extensive experience in the field of Drug Abuse and HIV/AIDS prevention. He has worked in various capacities in this field and has considerable insight into the drug HIV context of vulnerability in India. He specializes in training/capacity building skills, networking and resource mobilization, and has been involved in designing many IEC/BCC materials and need based capacity building initiatives at the grass-roots level.





LAETITIA JONES MUKHIM
Administrative & Finance Assistant, IND/I49,
RAS/G86 - Drugs & HIV

Laetitia was born in 1976 in Shillong, Meghalaya. Laetitia is a graduate in English from St. Mary's College under the North Eastern Hill University, Meghalaya. She joined the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Project office (Northeast) in the year 2000. She has been working in administration and finance under various projects in the northeast. In five years with UNODC, she has received excellent exposure in the field of drug abuse and the larger ramifications of such abuse. She has extensive organizational and networking skills. She has been instrumental towards building linkages with project partners and this has strengthened the work in the northeastern region.



LALHLUPIII SAILO
District Coordinator CHARCA - RAS/H14 - HIV
and young women

Sailo has done her postgraduate in Arts (Clinical Psychology) from the University of Delhi and then went on to do her M.Phil in Medical & Social Psychology from the Central Institute of Psychiatry, Ranchi. Sailo has an experience in the field of Drug Abuse, Gender and HIV/AIDS prevention. She has been providing technical backstopping for all activities related to technical capacity building of NGOs and CBOs for prevention of drug abuse and

HIV amongst target groups in Mizoram. Sailo also has the expertise in programme planning, networking and resource mobilization. She has been involved in the National AIDS Control Programme and has worked extensively with the Government.



LALNUNMAWII PACHUAU
Project Officer RAS/H14 – HIV and young women

Born in 1972 in Shillong, Meghalaya. Mawii (pronounced "Moi") is a postgraduate in Arts (Sociology) from the North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU). She had worked for a number of years in the field of HIV/AIDS prevention with the Mizoram State AIDS control society and has considerable knowledge in the field of HIV prevention within the state. She has been involved in Training/ Capacity building and monitoring of NGO activities and has been involved in designing a need-based capacity building initiatives at the grass-root level.



NILIMA AGARWAL

Sr. Lotus Notes Developer, ITS Team

Nilima Agarwal is a Certified Lotus Professional (PCLP) and a Certified Lotus Instructor (CLI) in Lotus Notes Application Development and System Administration. She had been working as a freelance Lotus Notes consultant for four years, prior to joining UNODC as a Lotus Notes Developer. She has conducted numerous trainings on various topics in Domino and has also been actively developing applications on Lotus Notes. She has provided subject matter expertise for various books, CBTs, and Web-based training materials on Lotus Notes

and has authored a few books on Lotus Notes. As part of the ProFi team, she has developed various important applications for the field offices of UNODC, including the Field office Staff Information, Field Office Management Ledger, and the Field Office Portal.



P. M. NAIR

Project Coordinator IND/S16 – Human Trafficking

"PM" holds Master of Arts in Sociology (Kerala University), LLB from University of Delhi and Certificate in Criminal Administration from University of Virginia, USA. He has served with the Indian Police Service (IPS) since 1978. PM has been associated with the investigations of several important crimes of trafficking of women and children. In the recent past, at the request of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), the Government of India spared his services to the Institute of Social Sciences where he worked for two years and carried out the Action Research on trafficking in Women and Children in India which formed the basis of the seminal report on Human Trafficking in India. PM has many other publications to his

credit. Of note are his books, "Combating Organized Crimes" (2002) and "Handbook for Law Enforcement Officials in dealing with trafficking in Women and Children" (2006).



PRATIK KUMAR

Project Coordinator RAS/G86 – Drugs & HIV

A graduate in Electrical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, Pratik has over 16 years' experience of working mainly in the development sector with the Indian government. He has worked in various capacities within government departments, developing policies and guidelines for planning and implementation of national level programmes. He recently spent more than four years as the Deputy Director (IEC) in the National AIDS Control Organization (NACO) where he was supervising national/state-level IEC activities, advocacy, targeted interventions, programmes for children and youth (including the School AIDS

programme) rights issues and counseling



POONAM BHAMBRI
Programme Assistant, UNODC ROSA

A Post-Graduate in Literature, Poonam has been working with the UN since 1987. She joined UNODC ROSA in 1989 and is currently the longest-serving staff member in the office. Poonam has been instrumental in carrying forward the programme delivery by liaising between ROSA and UNODC operations all across the North-East of India.



RAJESH KUMAR
IT Assistant – ITS Team

Rajesh is a graduate in Information Technology and a certified professional of Microsoft and CISCO products. He has over Six years experience in maintaining and trouble-shooting hardware/software resources and providing help-desk service. Currently employed by ITS, Rajesh is responsible for providing IT support to UNODC ROSA. He has also worked with UNAIDS in a similar position.



GOPALAN RAMACHANDRAN
Driver/Messenger, UNODC ROSA

Popularly called as "Rama", he joined UNODC ROSA as a driver. He loves his work and playing badminton. Rama is married and is the father of two daughters.



ROBERT LALREMPUIA
Administrative & Finance Assistant RAS/H14
– HIV and young women

Robert is a postgraduate in Economics from the North East Hill University, Mizoram. He has extensive experience in the field of Drug Abuse and

HIV/AIDS prevention. He has also worked in various capacities in this field and has considerable insight into the gender dimension of Drugs and HIV related vulnerabilities. Robert specializes in financial monitoring and reporting of project activities preparing yearly project funding request for all activities under the project, documentation, training and advocacy at the grass-root level.



SAPAN BARUA
Senior Driver, UNODC ROSA

Sapan joined UNODC ROSA as a driver and is one of the oldest serving staff members. He says he loves driving UN vehicles. He is also a big cricket fan and enjoys playing and watching cricket.



SAVITA BHAT
Receptionist, UNODC ROSA

A graduate in humanities from the University of Delhi, Savita has been working with UNODC ROSA since November 1999. Effective with her interpersonal skills, she is currently working as the Receptionist for the office. She is also providing additional support in office administration. Savita possesses good organizational skills in the areas of event management.



SHVETA AIMA
Administrative & Finance Associate RAS/H13 –
Prevention of Drugs & HIV

A post graduate in English Literature from the University of Delhi, Shveta joined UNODC ROSA in March 2004. She is currently working as Admin and Finance Associate with RAS/H13. During her tenure with UNODC ROSA she has contributed significantly in two important projects namely, RAS/938 and RAS/H13 especially in piloting the admin and finance initiatives. Shveta is fond of traveling.



SHYAM SUNDAR

Lotus Notes Developer - ITS Team

Shyam has a Master's Degree in Computer Applications. He is also an experienced information systems professional specializing in the Microsoft Technologies. Shyam has extensive knowledge of relational database applications development using IBM, Microsoft and other technologies. Currently he is a Lotus Notes Developer in ProFi team of ITS. He has also worked with UNAIDS and WHO, and is involved in the developing and implementation of data dissemination strategies that include offline and online versions.



SINEESH VARGHESE

Project Associate RAS/G86 – Drugs & HIV

Sineesh is a postgraduate in Business Administration in Finance from Madras University and Masters in Commerce from Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala. Having worked with various organizations including United Nations Development Programme, in its Disaster Management Division, Sineesh has extensive experience in finance, administration and procurements. Apart from Financial management, his area of interest includes travel to new places, football and music.



STELLA THOMAS

Treasury & Administrative Associate, UNODC ROSA

Stella holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration. Her area of expertise is in the field of Finance and Administration. Stella has worked for several years with DANIDA in a similar capacity. Stella is systematic and relentless in her approach to problem-solving. Stella brings to her current assignment as Treasury/Admin. Associate, ROSA, solid experiential qualifications in diverse settings in the areas of project budget planning, establishing internal financial and administrative procedures, establishing financial monitoring tools, implementing the project's accounting systems and processes.





SURUCHI PANT

**Project Coordinator RAS/H71, RAS/G23, GLO/C54
Drugs & HIV**

Suruchi has a Doctorate in Sociology from Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi. Her doctoral work focused on the socio-cultural implications of sexual violence. With skills in qualitative research and participatory training methodologies, she has been a trainer on issues relating to drugs and HIV prevention, gender, sexuality and

sexual violence in the South Asia region.



SUSMITA BANERJEE

Project Associate, IND/I49, RAS/G86 Drugs & HIV

A post graduate in Applied Psychology from Calcutta University, India. Susmita has extensive experience in Drug Abuse and HIV/AIDS prevention and has been associated with capacity building, monitoring and evaluation of NGOs working in this field. As a consultant psychologist she has provided counseling to clients with psychiatric and emotional problems. She has also been involved in preparing IEC materials and modules on Life Skill Education.



TUSHAR SAMPAT

Consultant, Website Development

Tushar has joined UNODC ROSA as a web consultant and has been associated with the office for the past three years. He is most known for creating and developing the ROSA-supported website www.wesouthasians.org. He has other important achievements under his belt like creating and developing websites under the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment namely <http://www.weinrecovery.org> and www.nisd.gov.in. Tushar is a Commerce graduate from the University of Pune. In 2004, Tushar was chosen as a UNODC personality in the "treatment works" campaign.



THE SECURITY TEAM



DEVENDRA
Security Guard, UNODC ROSA

Devendra joined UNODC ROSA as a Guard for the main gate and has been working with the office for over two years. He is a father of two and loves playing cricket. He has been a committed worker and he enjoys his work.



DEWAN RAM
Security Guard, UNODC ROSA

Dewan joined UNODC ROSA as a Guard for the parking gate and has been working with the office for over a year and a half. He is a father of two and says he loves listening to good music. He has been a committed worker and he enjoys his work.



R S YADAV
Security Guard, UNODC ROSA

Known popularly as Yadav he joined UNODC ROSA as a Guard for the main gate and has been working with the office for over two years. He is a father of two and says he loves working hard and honestly. He loves playing cricket.



THE HOUSEKEEPING TEAM



From left
AJAY KUMAR, MADAN MEHRA, KULDEEP SINGH, GIRISH ARYAN, RINKU SHAMAR.

The committed group of young and hard-working colleagues in the office who support the UNODC ROSA team by supporting each member with administrative and housekeeping tasks.



THE CAFETERIA TEAM - From left **SUNIL KUMAR, GAURAV VERMA, JAILAL SHARMA, VIKRAM KUMAR.**

With the expansion of the ROSA office, the cafeteria has been a recent and welcome addition. This now-essential outsourced part of the office is very popular for their support in meeting the daily sustenance needs of the office staff.



SHOBHNATH Gardener, UNODC ROSA

A humble and yet high-spirited man Shobhnath has been working with the office over five years. Quiet by nature he works hard to keep the office green and beautiful. He is very fond of nature and loves his work.