



Biography:

I am a senior journalist based in New Delhi with almost two decades of experience in conflict-reporting, writing, research and analysis. I am an editor with India's largest English daily The Times of India, and previously worked for another major English daily of India, Hindustan Times. Having covered Kashmir extensively, I broke some of the biggest news stories and exclusives on Kashmir, which had major policy implications for both India and Pakistan. Besides Kashmir, I have also reported from other conflict zones of India— Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Assam. My opinion pieces have been published in various national and

international publications.

I have been a recipient of several awards for my research, reporting and editorial accomplishments. I am an alumnus of Columbia University, with a Masters in International Affairs. I worked briefly at Columbia University and interned at the United Nations and BBC in New York.

After the forced displacement of my entire community from Kashmir in 1990 (Hindus in Kashmir were a minority), I grew up in destitution, in Jammu, the southern part of Jammu and Kashmir.

Though I am a displaced Kashmiri with my own history of struggle as a refugee in my own country, I do not speak as a representative of the community and their political aspirations. I primarily identify myself as a dispassionate journalist.