



Education

- PhD - Department of Meteorology, University of Reading, UK 2018 - 2021 (*expected*)
Lead supervisor: Dr Andrew Turner, Associate Professor in Monsoon Systems
- Master of Research in Climate and Atmospheric Science - University of Leeds, UK 2017
Dissertation: *On the relationships between relative vorticity, propagation speed and rainfall of Indian monsoon low-pressure systems*
Supervisor: Prof. Douglas Parker, Joint Met Office Professor of Meteorology
- B.Sc (Physics, Statistics, Mathematics) - Institute of Science, Nagpur (India) 2015

Research Interests

- Indian Monsoon (*seasonal predictions, ocean-atmosphere-land interaction, dynamics and understanding precipitation processes of monsoon depressions*)
- Dynamics of extra-tropical cyclones over North India
- Tropical meteorology and variability of climate systems
- Effect of clouds and aerosols on the Earth's climate

Internships and Work Experience

- White Gold Trust, India March 2015 - present
- Voluntarily working as a principal meteorologist with a responsibility of providing weather advisories to over 150,000 farmers of Maharashtra state.
- Centre for Science and Environment, New Delhi June 2014
Analysed India's weather forecasting system and sent a proposal on making India a 'Weather-Ready' nation to the Prime Minister of India and the Ministry of Earth Sciences.
- Down To Earth June 2014 - June 2016
Independent Weather Forecaster
- Experience of forecasting the monsoon and several weather events across India
<http://www.downtoearth.org.in/author/akshay-deoras-2290>
- UM-DAE Centre for Excellence in Basic Sciences, Mumbai June 2013
- Worked with India's first citizen science project in astronomy, RAD@home
- Analysed data from the TIFR GMRT Sky Survey, VLA FIRST and CRTS.
- Tarun Bharat newspaper Jan 2012 - Oct 2017
Independent Weather Forecaster
- Experience of forecasting the weather across Vidarbha region of Maharashtra state and providing weather inputs to people in vernacular language.

Publications

- Comparison of the prediction of Indian monsoon low-pressure systems by the Subseasonal-to-Seasonal prediction project. **A. Deoras**, K. M. R. Hunt and A. G. Turner. **Weather and Forecasting**, *submitted 21 May 2020*.
- Basu, S., Bieniek, P.A. and **Deoras, A.**, 2017. *An investigation of reduced western disturbance activity over Northwest India in November-December 2015 compared to 2014-A case study*. **Asia-Pacific Journal of Atmospheric Sciences**, 53(1), pp.75-83.
- **Akshay Deoras**. *On Intriguing Relationship Between Monsoon Low Pressures and Maharashtra*. **Bulletin of the Indian Meteorological Society, Pune Chapter** (Vol.17, February 2016, pp. 42)
- Aditya Kranti, Salil Bhat, **Akshay Deoras**. *Trend Analysis and Mapping of Severe Cyclonic Storms in Bay of Bengal using ANN and Exponential Smoothing*, **International Journal of Engineering Development**

Conferences and other presentations

- Monsoon Working Group meeting (*virtual*) 21 July 2020
Oral presentation: Monsoon low-pressure systems in the S2S dataset
- RMetS Student and Early Career Scientists Conference 2020 (*Virtual*) 29-30 June 2020
Oral presentation: Comparison of the prediction of Indian monsoon low-pressure systems by the Subseasonal-to-Seasonal prediction project
- Quo Vadis, Department of Meteorology, University of Reading 5 February 2020
Oral presentation: Comparison of the prediction of Indian monsoon low-pressure systems by the Subseasonal-to-Seasonal prediction project
- Annual Seminar 2019, ECMWF, Reading 2-5 September 2019
Poster and express oral presentation: Investigating forecast lead times of Indian monsoon low-pressure systems in the S2S models
- RMetS Student and Early Career Scientists Conference 2019, University of Birmingham 4-5 July 2019
Poster presented: On seasonal and sub-seasonal forecasting of Indian monsoon low-pressure systems
- Monsoon Working Group meeting, Met Office, Exeter 16 May 2019
Oral presentation: On seasonal and sub-seasonal forecasting of Indian monsoon low-pressure systems
- Sustainable Perspectives on Future Challenges, University of Leeds 3 February 2017
Poster and oral presentation: Connecting Indian Farmers - Present Challenges and Future Prospects
- SHOWCASE 2016, 7th annual University of Leeds Postgraduate Research Conference 5 December 2016
Poster presented : Understanding the winter precipitation in Northwest India
- Institute for Climate and Atmospheric Science Annual Science Meeting 2016 3 November 2016
Poster presented : An Investigation of Reduced Western Disturbance Activity over Northwest India in November-December 2015
- Annual Monsoon Workshop - 2015 and National Symposium on Understanding and Forecasting the Monsoon Extremes, IITM Pune 23-24 February 2016
Poster presented : On intriguing relationship between Monsoon low pressures and Maharashtra
- Fifth National Research Conference on Climate Change, IIT Delhi 19-20 December 2014
Poster presented: Need of a paradigm shift in the cyclone mitigation policy due to an emerging cyclone frequency trend in the North Indian Ocean
- 32nd Meeting of Astronomical Society of India, IISER Mohali 20-22 March 2014
Poster presented: Three highly unusual radio sources detected from the new TGSS & other archival data
- National Conference on Statistics, Mathematics and their applications 3-4 January 2014
Paper presented: Preliminary statistical relations between earthquakes and eclipses
- Astronomical Society of India's 3rd Professional-Amateur meeting in astronomy, Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education, TIFR Mumbai 26-27 October 2013
Poster presented: Unusual radio sources: Early result of my participation at Pro-Am student's collaboratory RAD@home

Training

- NCAS Climate Modelling Summer School, University of Cambridge, UK 2019 8-20 September
- The Isle of Arran, UK 9-16 September 2016
 - Experience of conducting various experiments to study Earth's radiational balance, surface exchange processes; hill profiling, launching a radiosonde and pilot balloon, trajectory analysis and weather forecasting using various forecasting products.

Invited talks (selected)

- The Great Indian Monsoon System May 2015
Central India Research Institute, Nagpur
- The fun in weather forecasting September 2014
Yashwantrao Chavan College of Engineering, Nagpur
- How to forecast the weather August 2014
Central India Research Institute, Nagpur
- Problems with today's forecasting system in India August 2014
Public lecture at SARATHI organisation, Nagpur
- An introduction to multi-wavelength astronomy March 2014
Somalwar Nikalas High School. Nagpur
- Cosmic Magnifying Lens - An insight of gravitational lensing February 2013
Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology
- Cosmic Scales - An insight of how small/big we are in the Universe November 2012
Public lecture for DST INSPIRE camp students in Nagpur
- Hide and Seek in the Universe (*On Astronomical Transits, Occultations and Eclipses*) January 2012
Talk for high school students at Somalwar Nikalas high school, Nagpur

Media appearances

- My views and opinions on weather and weather related aspects (particularly the Indian monsoon) have been highly cited in media.
- [News reports collated by Google](#) (*selected*)
- My views have been featured in: The Times of India, Hindustan Times, Huffington Post, The Hindu, The Weather Channel, The Indian Express, The Hitavada, Tarun Bharat, Lokmat, Indian Express Loksatta, India Today, Sakal, Maharashtra Times, DNA, Down To Earth, Yahoo! News, Scroll, Village Square, India Climate Dialogue, Fountain Ink, The Hans India, Dainik Bhaskar (Rajasthan), Lokpatra Aurangabad, Goa Doot, Prabhat Pune, Desh Gujarat, Millennium Post, Catch News and Akila Daily (Gujarat)
- [Radio interviews](#) aired on FM 104.8 Mumbai on 3 June 2020 and 5 August 2019 regarding Cyclone Nisarga and heavy rainfall in the city

Achievements (selected)

- Best presentation prize in the *Dynamics and Meteorological Applications* category RMetS Student and Early Career Scientists Conference 2020 (*Virtual*)
- DST INSPIRE Scholarship (awarded by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India to pursue baccalaureate education in natural sciences) - 2012 to 2015
- Youngest person to be invited to participate and present an action plan on improving Maharashtra's Agro-Weather Forecasting in a high level meeting chaired by the Chief Minister of Government of Maharashtra, India - May 2015
- Scholarship for securing highest marks in statistics in summer 2013 university examination - 2014 (*Awarded by Alumni Association of Institute of Science, Nagpur*)

- ‘Star Prize’ for best overall performance in school and junior college - 2011
(Awarded by Somalwar Nikalas Junior College)
- Title of ‘Professor (of) Maths’ for outstanding performance in Prof. Maths contest organised by National Education Society - 2003
- First prize in district level debate competition organised by District Council, Nagpur on environmental issues - 2009
- Parents-Teachers-Students-Association: Student representative in middle and high school (sessions 2004-05, 2009-10)

Skills

- Python, MATLAB, Linux, C++, Microsoft Windows, OS X

Professional Memberships

- The American Geophysical Union (Student member)
- Indian Meteorological Society, Pune chapter (Life member)
- Indian Climate Research Network

Other

- Member, Advisory Body of Atal Tinkering Lab at Somalwar Nikalas School, Nagpur
- - Responsible for advising a leading school in Central India on Government of India’s flagship program to “*foster curiosity, creativity and imagination in young minds; and inculcate skills such as design mindset, computational thinking, adaptive learning, physical computing etc.*”. The intended beneficiaries include over 1500 high school students.

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