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Education

Ph.D.: Operations Management, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2011.Master of Management: Operations Management, IIT Mumbai, India, 2002.B.E.: Mechanical Engineering, M.S. University, India, 2000.

Professional Positions

Academic

Associate Professor: University of Virginia, 2019 - Present. Assistant Professor: The Pennsylvania State University, 2011–2019.

Professional

Franklin Fellow: Department of State, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Office of International Labor Affairs, 2019-2020. Project Lead: Oracle India Pvt. Ltd., 2002-2006.

Publications

- 1. Mani, V., Muthulingam, S. How learning from inspections affects environmental outcomes: Evidence from unconventional drilling. *Manufacturing & Service Operations Management.* 21(1), 177-197.
- 2. Mani, V., Kesavan, S., Swaminathan, J.M. (2015). Estimating the impact of understaffing on sales and profitability in retail stores. *Production and Operations Management*, 24(2), 201-218.
- 3. Kesavan, S., Mani, V. (2013). The relationship between abnormal inventory growth and future earnings for US public retailers. *Manufacturing & Service Operations Management*, 15(1), 6-23.

Working Papers

- 4. Mani, V., Thomas, D.J., Bansal, S. Estimating substitution and basket effects in retail stores. The Pennsylvania State University. *Working paper*. University of Virginia.
- 5. Xu, L., Mani, V., Zhao, H. Determinants of distribution channel structure in the pharmaceutical industry: Role of specialty drugs. *Working paper.* University of Virginia.
- 6. Mani, V., Swaminathan, J.M., Alptekinoglu, A. Counterfeit risk: supply chain drivers and mitigation strategies. *Working paper.* University of Virginia.
- 7. Mani, V., Muthulingam, S. Does learning from inspections reduce waste generation for unconventional wells? *Working paper.* University of Virginia.
- 8. Craighead, C., Ketchen, D., Mani, V. Understanding the impact of counterfeit parts on firm financial performance. *Working paper.* The Pennsylvania State University.

Work In Progress

- 1. Mani, V. Alptekinoglu, A. Effective contracts to mitigate counterfeit risk an empirical investigation.
- 2. Mani, V., Alptekinoglu, A., Swaminathan, J.M. Impact of component commonality on counterfeit parts.
- 3. Mani, V., Thomas, D.J. Impact of downsizing on supplier service levels.

Book Chapters, Technical Reports, and Cases

- 1. Mani, V., Alptekinoglu, A., Swaminathan, J.M. (2018). Developing Intelligence on Internal and External Threats in the Electronic Component Supply Chain. LMI Technical Report.
- 2. Mani, V., Alptekinoglu, A., Swaminathan, J.M. (2017). Mitigating Risk of Counterfeit Parts in the Electronic Parts Supply Chain. LMI Technical Report.
- 3. Kesavan, S., Mani, V. (2015). An overview of industry practice and empirical research in retail workforce management. Chapter 6 in Agrawal, N., & Smith, S.A. (Eds.) *Retail Supply Chain Management: Quantitative Models and Empirical Studies,* (2nd edition), pp. 113-145, Springer US. New York, NY.
- 4. Swaminathan, J.M., Mani, V. (2009). UNICEF PlumpyNut Supply Chain. Kenan-Flagler Business School Case Study and Teaching Note.

Media Mentions

- 1. "A DHS audit found the agency can't justify hiring 15,000 agents because they don't have a plan", Circa news.
- 2. "Big retailers' same-day shipping challenges small shops", Central Penn Business Journal.