

IGC-ISI INDIA DEVELOPMENT POLICY CONFERENCE

Date: 19-20 December 2011

Venue: Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Delhi Centre

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Day I: Monday, 19th December 2011

Time	Theme/ presentations
8.30 am – 9.00 am	Registration
9.00 am – 9.15 am	Inaugural session
9.15 am – 10.45 am	<p><u>Session 1: Urbanisation & Infrastructure [Part 1] – Urbanisation/ Environment</u></p> <p><i>Chair: Hardik Shah</i> (Member Secretary, Gujarat State Pollution Control Board)</p> <p>Parikshit Ghosh (Delhi School of Economics) Improving urban air quality in India: Lessons from the Kolkata clean air regulations of 2009</p> <p>Michael Greenstone (MIT) Does improved regulatory enforcement reduce industrial pollution? An evaluation of public and private sector approaches</p> <p>Rohini Pande (Harvard Kennedy School) Urban governance and public good provision in Delhi slums</p>
10.45 am – 11.15 am	Coffee and networking break
11.15 am – 12.45 pm	<u>Session 2: Urbanisation & Infrastructure [Part 2] – Infrastructure/ Governance</u>

Chair: Pronab Sen (Planning Commission)

Farzana Afridi (ISI Delhi Centre), **Vegard Iversen** (University of Manchester)

Does female leadership impact on the quality of public goods? Evidence from a public poverty alleviation programme in Andhra Pradesh, India

Gunjan Sharma (University of Missouri)

Determinants of clusters in Indian manufacturing: The role of infrastructure, governance, education and industrial policy

Miriam A. Golden (UCLA)

Local Level Estimates of Corruption and Theft in the Energy Sector in Uttar Pradesh, India

12.45 pm – 1.45 pm

Lunch

Keynote address 1

Chair: Kirit Parikh (IRADe)

1.45 pm – 2.45 pm

Michael Greenstone (MIT)

Will adaptation save us from climate change?

Session 3: Macroeconomics

Chair: Tridip Ray (Indian Statistical Institute)

2.45 pm – 3.45 pm

Amartya Lahiri (University of British Columbia)

Macroeconomic takeoff and distributional churning in India

Ila Patnaik (NIPFP)

Does Foreign Institutional Investment in India Increase Financial Vulnerability? An Empirical Investigation Using an Event Study Approach

3.45 pm – 4.15 pm

Coffee and networking break

Session 4: Finance

Chair: [TBC]

Mark Rosenzweig (Yale)

Selling Formal Insurance to the Informally Insured

4.15 pm – 5.45 pm

Shawn Cole (Harvard Business School)

Improving Access to Finance for Entrepreneurs in Developing Countries

Sankar De (Indian School of Business)

Are Banks Responsive to Exogenous Shocks in Credit Demand? District-level Evidence from India

5.45 pm – 6.45 pm

Keynote address 2

Chair: [TBC]

NK Singh (MP, Rajya Sabha) [TBC]

7.30 pm

Conference dinner

Day 2, Tuesday, 20th December 2011

Time	Theme/ presentations
9.00 am – 10.30 am	<u>Session 5: Human Development – Health</u>
	<i>Chair: Arunish Chawla</i> (Planning Commission)
	R. Manjula (ISEC), Sanchari Roy (University of Warwick), D. Rajasekhar (ISEC) Motivating Agents to Spread Information on Health Insurance: The Role of Explicit Incentives and Social Identity Matching
	Nidhiya Menon (Brandeis University) Seasonal effects of water quality on maternal and infant health in India
	Sonia Bhalotra (Bristol University) Political identity and public health provision in India
10.30 am – 11.00 am	Coffee and networking break
11.00 am – 12.00 noon	<u>Session 6: Human Development – Education and rural livelihoods</u>
	<i>Chair: Surendra K. Bagde</i> (Ministry of Finance)
	Karthik Muralidharan (UCSD) The Aggregate Effects of School Choice: Evidence from a Two-Stage Experiment
	Vijayendra Rao (World Bank) Designing a Social Observatory for National Rural Livelihoods Mission
12.00 noon – 1 pm	<u>Keynote address 3</u>
	<i>Chair: Santosh Mehrotra</i> (Institute of Applied Manpower Research, Planning Commission)
	Mark Rosenzweig (Yale) Microeconometric Evidence on the Role of Human Capital in the Growth Process

1.00 pm – 2.00 pm

Lunch

Session 7: Urban labour markets

Chair: [TBC]

Kaivan Munshi (Brown University)
Urban Networks: Past and Present (India and the US)

2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Jeremy Magruder (UC Berkeley)
Who gets the job referral? Evidence from a Social Networks Experiment (Kolkata)

Arup Mitra (Institute of Economic Growth)
Networks, Jobs and Mobility: Issues in Urban Poverty (India)

Vegard Iversen (University of Manchester)
Network mechanisms and social ties in markets for low and unskilled jobs: evidence from North-India

4.00 pm – 4.30 pm

Coffee and networking break

Session 8: Policy panel on the 12th Five Year Plan

Chair: Dilip Mookherjee (IGC, Boston University) and **Suman Bery** (IGC)

4.30 pm – 6.30 pm

Pawan Agarwal (Planning Commission), **Narendra Jadav** (Planning Commission), **Alok Sheel** (Ministry of Finance)
Manoj Singh (Planning Commission), **Subhasis Gangopadhyay** (Jawaharlal Nehru University), **Karthik Muralidharan** (UCSD),
Mark Rosenzweig (Yale), **Rohini Somanathan** (Delhi School of Economics)
