

4th IGC-ISI INDIA DEVELOPMENT POLICY CONFERENCE

Date: 17-18 December 2013

Venue: Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi Centre

Day I: Tuesday, 17th December, 2013

Time	Theme/ presentations
9.30 – 10 am	Registration
10 – 10.15 am	Welcome remarks – Pronab Sen (IGC India Central)
	Session 1: Education
	<i>Chair: J.B.G. Tilak</i> (National University of Education Planning and Administration)
10.15 am – 12.15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learning and earning: Evidence from a randomised evaluation in India - Pushkar Maitra (Monash University)• Structural transformation and the rural-urban divide – Viktor Hnatkovska (University of British Columbia; The Wharton School)
12.15 – 1.45 pm	Lunch

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	<u>Session 2: Governance</u>
	<i>Chair:</i> Ranjan Chatterjee (National Green Tribunal)
1.45 – 3.45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reforming the Targeted Public Distribution System: Short term improvements versus long term gains – Sheetal Sekhri (University of Virginia)• Religion, politician identity and development outcomes: Evidence from India – Sonia Bhalotra (University of Essex), Guilhem Cassan (University of Namur)
	<i>Policy Perspective:</i> Harsh Srivastava (Centre for Civil Society)
3.45 – 4.15 pm	Coffee and networking break
	<i>'Ideas for India' presents</i> <u>Policy Panel: Monetary Policy for India</u>
	<i>Moderator:</i> Deepak Nayyar (Jawaharlal Nehru University)
4.15 – 6.15 pm	<i>Panellists:</i> Amartya Lahiri (University of British Columbia) Surjit Bhalla (Oxus Investments) Pronab Sen (IGC India Central) Renu Kohli (Independent Economist)
7 pm	Conference dinner <i>Qutab Hotel</i>

Day II: Wednesday, 18th December 2013

Time	Theme/ presentations
	<p><u>Session 3: Macroeconomics and Finance - I</u></p> <p><i>Chair: TBC</i></p>
9 – 11 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finance constraints and firm transition in the informal Sector: Evidence from Indian manufacturing – Kunal Sen (University of Manchester)• Saving behaviour in India: Understanding the differences across castes - Amartya Lahiri (University of British Columbia) <p><i>Policy Perspective: Mohan Chutani</i> (Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Ministry of Commerce and Industry)</p>
11 – 11.30 am	<p>Coffee and networking break</p>
	<p><u>Session 4: Macroeconomics and Finance – II</u></p> <p><i>Chair: Subir Gokarn</i> (Brookings Institute)</p>
11.30 am - 1.30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rainfall insurance and agricultural and financial decisions: Evidence from a series of experiments in India– Shawn Cole (Harvard Business School)• Agent intermediated loans: A new approach to microfinance – Dilip Mookherjee (IGC India Central; Boston University) <p><i>Policy Perspective: Anil Padmanabhan</i> (Mint newspaper)</p>

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1.30 – 1.45 pm	Presentation on IGC India Central Phase II Workplan – Pronab Sen (IGC India Central), Dilip Mookherjee (IGC India Central; Boston University)
1.45 – 3 pm	Lunch
	<u>Session 5: Infrastructure, Urbanisation & Environment</u>
	<i>Chair:</i> Bipin Bihari Srivastava (Former Secretary, Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development)
3 – 5 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Litigation over eminent domain compensation – Ram Singh (Delhi School of Economics)• Water resource depletion, adaptation and migration: Evidence from Gujarat, India – Ram Fishman (George Washington University)
	<i>Policy Perspective:</i> Subhomoy Bhattacharjee (Indian Express)
5 – 5.30 pm	Vote of Thanks – Dilip Mookherjee (IGC India Central; Boston University)