



## 4th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development

December 17-18, 2008

ISI, Delhi

### Conference Programme

**Day 1: 17 December, Wednesday**

**8:30 – 9:30: Registration, Coffee/Tea**

**9.30 – 10:00: Welcome and Opening Remarks;**

- **Official Launch of *The Indian Growth and Development Review* (IGDR).**

**10:00 – 11:15: Plenary Session: Marcus Miller (University of Warwick)**

Title: “Leverage and Asset Bubbles: Averting Armageddon with Chapter 11?” (with Joseph Stiglitz, Columbia University)

Chair: Bhaskar Dutta (University of Warwick and ISI, Delhi)

**11:15 – 11:30: Tea break**

**11:30 – 1:15: Parallel Sessions 1:**

<i>Conference Room</i>	<i>Seminar Room 2</i>	<i>Class Room 13</i>	<i>Class Room 14</i>
<p><b>1(a): Health</b> Chair: Vegard Iversen (University of Manchester and ISI, Delhi)</p>	<p><b>1(b): Experiment</b> Chair: Debasis Mishra (ISI, Delhi)</p>	<p><b>1(c): Economic Growth I</b> Chair: Alok Johri (McMasterUniversity)</p>	<p><b>1(d): Topics in Microeconomics I</b> Chair: Arunava Sen (ISI, Delhi)</p>
<p><b>Peter Svedberg</b> (IIES, Stockholm University): “Why Malnutrition in Shining India Persists?”</p> <p><b>Ashlesha Datar</b> (RAND Corporation, Santa Monica), Arkadipta Ghosh (Mathematica Policy Research, Princeton) and Neeraj Sood (RAND Corporation and NBER) : “Mortality Risks, Health Endowments, and Parental Investments in Infancy: Evidence from Rural India”</p> <p><b>Richard Palmer-Jones</b> (University of East Anglia): “Have Heights of Indian Women Increased Faster than Male over the Past Half Century?”</p>	<p>Timothy Cason (Purdue University), <b>Pushkar Maitra</b> (Monash University) and Lata Gangadharan (University of Melbourne): “Moral Hazard and Peer Monitoring in a Laboratory Microfinance Experiment”</p> <p>Nisvan Erkal, <b>Lata Gangadharan</b> and Nikos Nikiforakis (University of Melbourne): “Competition, Luck and Social Preferences: A Real-Effort Experiment”</p> <p><b>Sudeep Ghosh</b> and Bin Srinidhi (Hong Kong Polytechnic University): “Effect of Internal and Market-based Governance On Managerial Intention to Expropriate and Investor Confidence: An Experimental Investigation”</p>	<p><b>Hyeok Jeong</b> (Vanderbilt University) and Yong Kim (University of Southern California): “Complementarity and Transition to Modern Economic Growth”</p> <p><b>Areendam Chanda</b> and Eric Hillebrand (Louisiana State University): “Skill Heterogeneity and Housing in a Neoclassical Growth Model”</p> <p>Manash Ranjan Gupta and <b>Bidisha Chakraborty</b> (ISI, Kolkata): “Human Capital Accumulation, Environmental Quality, Taxation and Endogenous Growth”</p>	<p>Partha Dasgupta and <b>Sanjeev Goyal</b> (University of Cambridge): “Narrow Identities I: Group Formation and Conflict”</p> <p><b>Raja Kali</b>, Josh McGee, Javier Reyes and Stuart Shirrell (University of Arkansas): “The Architecture of Growth: Product Space, Growth Acceleration, and “Small World” Networks”</p> <p><b>Diganta Mukherjee</b> (ICFAI Business School, Kolkata) and Rajlakshmi Mallik (NSHM Business School, Kolkata): “Teaching Assessment Trade-off and Performance Related Pay in Education”</p>

**1:15 – 2:30: Lunch**

**2:30 – 4:15: Parallel Sessions 2:**

<i>Conference Room</i>	<i>Seminar Room 2</i>	<i>Class Room 13</i>	<i>Class Room 14</i>
<p><b>2(a): Education</b> Chair: Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay (ISI, Delhi)</p>	<p><b>2(b): Indian Manufacturing</b> Chair: Sanghamitra Das (ISI, Delhi)</p>	<p><b>2(c): Growth Experience of India</b> Chair: Sugata Ghosh (Brunel University)</p>	<p><b>2(d): Topics in Microeconomics II</b> Chair: Parikshit Ghosh (Delhi School of Economics)</p>
<p>Jyotsna Jalan (Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata) and <b>Rinku Murgai</b> (World Bank, Delhi): “Intergenerational Mobility in Education in India”</p> <p><b>Sripad Motiram</b> (Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai) and Lars Osberg (Dalhousie University, Canada): “Demand or Supply for Schooling in Rural India?”</p> <p><b>Shilpi Kapur</b> and Tanika Chakraborty (Washington University, St Louis): English Language Premium: “Evidence from a Policy Experiment in India”</p>	<p>Rubiana Chamargwala (Indiana University, Bloomington) and <b>Gunjan Sharma</b> (University of Missouri): “Industrial De-Licensing, Trade Liberalization, and Skill Upgrading in India”</p> <p><b>Bishwanath Goldar</b> (Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi): “Trade Liberalization and Labor Demand Elasticity in Indian Manufacturing”</p> <p><b>M. Parameswaran</b> (Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum): “International Trade and R&amp;D Investment: Evidence from Manufacturing Firms in India”</p>	<p><b>Chetan Ghate</b> (ISI, Delhi) and Stephen Wright (University of London): “The “V-Factor”: Distribution, Timing and Correlates of the Great Indian Growth Turnaround”</p> <p>Oleg Badunenko (German Institute for Economic Research) and <b>Kiril Tochkov</b> (Texas Christian University): “The Determinants of Regional Growth and Convergence in China, India, and Russia”</p> <p><b>Robin Douhan</b> (Uppsala University) and Andres Nordberg (Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Stockholm): “Is the Elephant Stepping on its Trunk? The Problem of India’s Unbalanced Growth”</p>	<p><b>Gautam Bose</b> (University of New South Wales): “The Fragmentation of Reputation”</p> <p><b>Archishman Chakraborty</b> (York University, Canada) and Rick Harbaugh (Indiana University): “Clearly Biased Experts”</p> <p><b>Ratul Lahkar</b> (Institute for Financial Management and Research, Chennai): “The Dynamic Instability of Dispersed Price Equilibria”</p>

**4:15 – 4:30: Tea break**

**4:30 – 6:15: Parallel Sessions 3:**

<i>Conference Room</i>	<i>Seminar Room 2</i>	<i>Class Room 13</i>	<i>Class Room 14</i>
<p><b>3(a): Child Development and Child Labour</b> Chair: Rinku Murgai (World Bank, Delhi)</p>	<p><b>3(b): Empirical Issues I</b> Chair: Wilima Wadhwa (ISI, Delhi)</p>	<p><b>3(c): Corruption</b> Chair: Ajit Mishra (University of Bath)</p>	<p><b>3(d): Law and Economics</b> Chair: Priyodorshi Banerjee (ISI, Delhi)</p>
<p>Christian Helmers (University of Oxford) and <b>Manasa Patnam</b> (University of Cambridge): “The Formation and Evolution of Childhood Skill Acquisition: Evidence From India”</p> <p><b>Marie-Claire Robitaille</b> (University of Otago, New Zealand): “Determinants of Gender Inequality in Child Mortality in India: Do Gods Matter?”</p> <p>Sugata Marjit (Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata) and <b>Kausik Gupta</b> (Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata): “International Capital Mobility and Child Labour”</p>	<p>Jo Thori Lind, Karl Ove Moene and <b>Fredrik Willumsen</b> (University of Oslo, Norway): “Opium for the Masses? Conflicts-induced Narcotics Production in Afghanistan”</p> <p><b>Siddharth Chandra</b> and Aaron Swoboda (University of Pittsburgh): “Substitution and Complementarity in Markets for Multiple Drugs in British Bengal”</p> <p>Daniel Guilbert and <b>Satya Paul</b> (University of Western Sydney): “Income and Happiness: An Empirical Analysis of Adaptation and Comparison Income Effects”</p>	<p><b>Sambit Bhattacharyya</b> (Australian National University) and Roland Holder (University of Melbourne): “Natural Resources, Democracy and Corruption”</p> <p><b>Sugata Ghosh</b> and Andros Gregoriou (Brunel University, UK): “The Composition of Government Spending and Growth: The Role of Corruption”</p> <p>Keith Blackburn (University of Manchester), <b>Niloy Bose</b> (University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee) and Salvatore Capasso (University of Naples): “Tax Evasion, the Underground Economy and Financial Development”</p>	<p><b>Ram Singh</b> (Delhi School of Economics): “On the Existence and Efficiency of Equilibria under Liability Rules”</p> <p><b>Vimal Kumar</b> (Watson Wyatt Worldwide, Gurgaon): “Production, Appropriation and the Dynamic Emergence of Property Rights”</p> <p><b>Mainak Majumdar</b> and Meenakshi Rajeev (Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore): “Parallel Trade and its Implication on the Availability of Patented Drugs: A Theoretical Approach”</p>

**7:30: Conference Dinner at Centre de Sciences Humaines (CSH)**

**Day 2: 18 December, Thursday**

**9:00 - 10:00: Travel Re-imbursments and Coffee/Tea.**

**10:00 - 11:15: Plenary Session: Gerhard Glomm (Indiana University, Bloomington)**

Title: “On The Political Economy of Education Vouchers”

Chair: Satya P. Das (ISI, Delhi)

**11:15 - 11:30: Tea break**

**11:30 - 1:15: Parallel Sessions 4:**

<i>Conference Room</i>	<i>Seminar Room 2</i>	<i>Class Room 13</i>	<i>Class Room 14</i>
<p><b>4(a): Empirical Issues II</b> Chair: Siddharth Chandra (University of Pittsburgh)</p>	<p><b>4(b): Finance and Financial Crisis</b> Chair: Niloy Bose (University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee)</p>	<p><b>4(c): Economic Growth II</b> Chair: Chetan Ghate (ISI, Delhi)</p>	<p><b>4(d): Political Economy</b> Chair: Gautam Bose (University of New South Wales)</p>
<p>Mudit Kapoor and <b>Shamika Ravi</b> (Indian School of Business, Hyderabad): “Effect of Interest Rate on Consumption”</p> <p><b>Ranjula Bali Swain</b> and Maria Floro (Uppsala University): “Effect of Microfinance on Vulnerability, Poverty and Risk in Low Income Households”</p> <p>Massimiliano Cali and <b>Carlo Menon</b> (London School of Economics): “Does Urbanisation Affect Rural Poverty? Evidence from Indian Districts”</p>	<p>Kee-Hong Bae (Queen's University) and <b>Vidhan Goyal</b> (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology): “Equity Market Liberalization and Corporate Governance”</p> <p><b>Marcus Miller</b> and Lei Zhang (University of Warwick): “Eastern Caution, Western Ebullience and Global Imbalances: A Brief Tale in Two Parts, with Prologue and Epilogue”</p>	<p><b>Patricia Prufer</b> (CentER, Tilburg University) and Gabriele Tondl (Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration): “The FDI-Growth Nexus in Latin America: the Role of Source Countries and Local Conditions”</p> <p>Guanyi Ben Li (University of Colorado, Boulder) and <b>Yi Lu</b> (University of Hong Kong): “Happiness and Development: the Effect of Mental Well-being on Economic Growth”</p> <p>Manash Ranjan Gupta and <b>Trishita Ray Barman</b> (ISI, Kolkata): “Health, Infrastructure, Environment and Endogenous Growth”</p>	<p><b>Lakshmi Iyer</b> (Harvard Business School) and Anandi Mani (University of Warwick): “Traveling Agents: Political Change and Bureaucratic Turnover in India”</p> <p><b>Brishti Guha</b> (Singapore Management University) and Ashok S. Guha (ISI, Delhi): “Demography, Development and the Origin of Democracy: A Model with Case Studies of Archaic Athens and Maritime England”</p>

**1:15 - 2:30: Lunch**

**2:30 - 4:15: Parallel Sessions 5:**

<i>Conference Room</i>	<i>Seminar Room 2</i>	<i>Class Room 13</i>	<i>Class Room 14</i>
<p><b>5(a): Empirical Issues III</b> Chair: Pushkar Maitra (Monash University)</p>	<p><b>5(b): Labour Market</b> Chair: Bharat Ramaswami (ISI, Delhi)</p>	<p><b>5(c): Topics in Macroeconomics</b> Chair: Areendam Chanda (Louisiana State University)</p>	<p><b>5(d): Industrial Organization</b> Chair: Prabal Roy Choudhury (ISI, Delhi)</p>
<p>Amaresh Dubey (Jawaharlal Nehru University), <b>Vegard Iversen</b> (University of Manchester and ISI, Delhi), Adriaan Kalwij (University of Utrecht), Bereket Kebede and Arjan Verschoor (University of East Anglia): “Caste Dominance and Inclusive Growth: Evidence from a Panel Data set for India”</p> <p><b>Annemie Maertens</b> (Cornell University): “Understanding the Role of Social Learning, Imitation and Social Norms in BT cotton Technology Adoption Decisions in India”</p> <p><b>Gaurav Nayyar</b> (University of Oxford): “The Demand for Services in India: A Mirror Image of Engel's Law for Food?”</p>	<p><b>Takashi Kurosaki</b> (Institute of Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University): “Wages in Kind and Economic Development: Their Impacts on Labor Supply and Food Security of Rural Households in Developing Countries”</p> <p><b>Deepti Goel</b> (Institute for Financial Management and Research, Chennai) and Kevin Lang (Boston University and NBER): “The Role of Social Ties in the Job Search of Recent Immigrants”</p> <p><b>Varinder Jain</b> (Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum): “Twin Issues of Discrimination and Work-Related Insecurity: Addressing Plight of Wageworkers through Social Class Analysis”</p>	<p>Andrew Atkenson and <b>Ariel Burstein</b> (University of California, Los Angeles): “Innovation, Firm Dynamics, and International Trade”</p> <p>Keqiang Hou and <b>Alok Johri</b> (McMaster University, Canada): “Costly vs. By-product Learning-by-Doing: A Bayesian Evaluation”</p> <p><b>Tommaso Ciarli</b>, Andre Lorentz (Max Planck Institute of Economics, Jena, Germany), Maria Savona (University of Lille 1, France) and Marco Valente (University of L'Aquila, Italy): “The Effect of Consumption and Production Structure on Growth and Distribution. A Micro to Macro Model”</p>	<p><b>Rohit Prasad</b> and Varadharajan Sridhar (Management Development Institute, Gurgaon): “Allocative Efficiency of the Mobile Industry in India and its Implications for Telecom Policy”</p> <p>Prabal Roy Chowdhury and <b>Debdatta Saha</b> (ISI, Delhi): “Does the Market Kill Bad Ideas? An Institutional Comparison of Committees and Markets in Network Industries”</p> <p><b>Arti Grover</b> (Delhi School of Economics): “Vertical FDI versus Outsourcing: The Role of Technological Complexity and Absorptive Capacity”</p>

**4:15 - 4:30: Tea break**

**4:30 - 6:15: Panel Discussion on Affirmative Action:**

- **Speakers:**

**Satish Deshpande** (Delhi School of Economics)

**Parikshit Ghosh** (Delhi School of Economics)

**Daniel Sabbagh** (Centre d'Etudes et de Relations Internationales, Sciences Po, Paris):  
“Affirmative Action in the United States and France: The Case of Higher Education”

- **Discussants:**

**Basudeb Chaudhuri** (Centre de Sciences Humaines, New Delhi)

**Velayoudom Marimoutou** (French Institute of Pondichery)

- **Chair: Ashwini Deshpande** (Delhi School of Economics)

**6:15 - 6:30: Vote of Thanks**