Economics Seminar, Indian Statistical Institute, New Delhi.

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TITLE: Sanitation and externalities in Delhi slums – an empirical investigation.

TIME: 11:30 AM - 01:00 PM


PLACE: Seminar Room 2

Abstract:

This paper presents geographically based data from a study of four unrecognized slums in Delhi. It establishes a correlation of environmental conditions with the incidence of gastro-intestinal disease. One is directly related to public infrastructure and one to peoples’ open defecation practices, both raising clear problems of externalities. Problems of sampling for measuring geographic external effects are discussed as are comparisons of public good provision with alternative policy proposals that focus on private goods.

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