

CONFERENCE ON
'PERSPECTIVES ON INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY'
in Memory of Prof. Suresh D. Tendulkar

19th & 20th July, 2012

Venue: Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

July 19, 2012 (Thursday)

9:00 a.m.–9:30 a.m. **REGISTRATION & TEA**

9:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m. **INAUGURAL SESSION**

Chair: Prof. Santosh Panda (Director, Delhi School of Economics)

Welcome address: Prof. Pami Dua (Head, Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics)

Tributes: Prof. Dinesh Singh (Vice Chancellor, University of Delhi)

Prof. Kaushik Basu (Chief Economic Advisor, Ministry of Finance)

Prof. Andre Beteille (Emeritus Professor of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics and Former Chairman, Indian Council of Social Science Research)

Prof. K. L. Krishna (Chairman, Board of Governors, Centre for Economic & Social Studies, Hyderabad and Former Professor, Delhi School of Economics)

Prof. K. Sundaram (Chairperson, Advisory Council on National Accounts Statistics and Former Professor, Delhi School of Economics)

Prof. Biswajit Chatterjee (President, The Indian Econometric Society)

Dr. Shekhar Shah (Director General, National Council of Applied Economic Research)

Vote of Thanks: Dr. Abhijit Banerji (Executive Director, Centre for Development Economics, DSE)

11:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m. **Tea Break**

11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m. **SESSION 1. POVERTY AND WELL BEING**

Chair: Dr. Vikas Chitre (President, Indian School of Political Economy, Pune)

'Poverty Lines, Levels, Trends and Policy: A Tribute to the Memory of Suresh Tendulkar'

- Prof. T. N. Srinivasan [Samuel C. Park Jr. Professor of Economics (Emeritus), Yale University and Yong Pung How Chair Professor, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore]

'Alternative Approaches to Social Protection of the Poor in India'

- Prof. Pranab Bardhan (University of California at Berkeley)

12:45 p.m.–1:45 p.m. **Lunch Break**

1:45 p.m.–3:15 p.m. **SESSION 2. THE MEASUREMENT OF POVERTY AND INEQUALITY**

Chair: Dr. Kirit Parikh [Chairman, Integrated Research and Action for Development (IRADe) and Former Member, Planning Commission]

'An Assessment of Well Being and Inequality in a Multidimensional Framework'

- Prof. R. Radhakrishna (Chairman, National Statistical Commission and Chairman, Madras Institute of Development Studies)

'Variable Populations and the Measurement of Poverty and Inequality: A Selective Overview'

- **Prof. S. Subramanian** (Madras Institute of Development Studies *and* Indian Institute of Technology, Madras)

'Data Needs for Tracking Undernutrition'

- **Prof. J. V. Meenakshi** (Delhi School of Economics)

3:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m. **Tea Break**

3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. **PANEL DISCUSSION: 'STATISTICAL SYSTEMS AND DATA QUALITY'**

Chair: **Dr. V. R. Panchmukhi** [Managing Editor, Indian Economic Journal *and* Former Chairman, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)]

Panelists:

- Dr. Pronab Sen** (Principal Advisor, Planning Commission)
- Prof. A. Vaidyanathan** (Honorary Fellow, Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum)
- Prof. K. L. Krishna** (Chairman, Board of Governors, Centre for Economic & Social Studies, Hyderabad *and* Former Professor, Delhi School of Economics)
- Prof. V. Pandit** (Sri Sathya Sai University, Andhra Pradesh *and* Former Professor, Delhi School of Economics)
- Dr. M. Govinda Rao** (National Institute of Public Finance & Policy *and* EAC to PM)

July 20, 2012 (Friday)

9:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m. **SESSION 3. MULTIDIMENSIONAL ASPECTS OF POVERTY & INEQUALITY**

Chair: **Prof. V. Pandit** (Sri Sathya Sai University, Andhra Pradesh *and* Former Professor, Delhi School of Economics)

'What Kinds of Economic Inequality Really Matter?'

- **Prof. Thomas Weisskopf** (University of Michigan)

'A Behavioral Approach to the Estimation of Poverty in India'

- **Prof. Rohini Somanathan** (Delhi School of Economics)

'Access and Exclusion: Mapping Social Diversity in Education in India'

- **Prof. Ashwini Deshpande** (Delhi School of Economics)

11:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m. **Tea Break**

11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. **SESSION 4. POVERTY AND EMPLOYMENT**

Chair: **Prof. Atul Sarma** (Member, 13th Finance Commission *and* Former Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh)

'Targeting the Poor'

- **Prof. Abhijit V. Banerjee** (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

'Population, Employment and Poverty'

- **Prof. K. Sundaram** (Chairperson, Advisory Council on National Accounts Statistics *and* Former Professor, Delhi School of Economics)

12:45 p.m.-1:45 p.m. **Lunch Break**

1:45 p.m.-2:45 p.m. **SESSION 5. INDIA AND THE WORLD ECONOMY**

Chair: Prof. Aditya Bhattacharjea (Delhi School of Economics)

'Capital Flows and Exchange Rates in India: An Empirical Investigation'

- **Prof. Pami Dua** (Delhi School of Economics)
- **Prof. Partha Sen** (South Asian University, New Delhi *and* Former Professor, Delhi School of Economics)

'Import Intensity of India's Manufactured Export'

- **Prof. Bishwanath Goldar** (Institute of Economic Growth)

2:45 p.m.-3:00 p.m. **Tea Break**

3:00 p.m.-3:15 p.m. **BOOK RELEASE**

Release of paperback edition of **'Understanding Reforms: Post 1991 India'**
by **Suresh D. Tendulkar and T. A. Bhavani**, Oxford University Press, New Delhi

- **Tribute by Prof. T. A. Bhavani** (Institute of Economic Growth)

3:15 p.m.-5:30 p.m. **PANEL DISCUSSION: 'ECONOMIC REFORMS AND POLICY MAKING'**

Chair: Prof. T. N. Srinivasan [Samuel C. Park Jr Professor of Economics (Emeritus), Yale University *and* Yong Pung How Chair Professor, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore]

Panelists:

Dr. C. Rangarajan (Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to Prime Minister *and* Former Governor, Reserve Bank of India)

Dr. Subir Gokarn (Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank of India)

Prof. S. Mahendra Dev (Director, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai)

Dr. Nagesh Kumar (Chief Economist, UN-ESCAP *and* Director, ESCAP Subregional Office for South and South-West Asia)

Dr. Y. V. Reddy (Emeritus Professor, University of Hyderabad *and* Former Governor, Reserve Bank of India)

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