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**Venue**

Auditorium

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New Delhi 110067

# February 20

Welcome and Opening Remarks - Anjan Mukherji and Rathin Roy: 9.20-9.30

## Session I: 9.30-10.50

Chairperson: Rathin Roy

1. Sourabh Bikas Paul and Anirban Mukherjee - Community Identity and Skill Mismatch: A Study on Indian Labour Market

Discussant:

2. Tridip Ray and Mausumi Das - Financing Higher Education: Comparing Alternative Policies

Discussant:

Tea: 10.50-11.10

## Session II: 11.10-13.10

Chairperson: S. Subramanian

1. Rittwik Chatterjee - A Collusion-Proof and Efficient Mechanism for Asymmetric Bidders

Discussant: Amarjyoti Mahanta

2. Srobonti Chattopadhyay - Sequential Auctions with Waiting Costs

Discussant: Amarjyoti Mahanta

3. Aditya Bhattacharjea and Uday Bhanu Sinha - Multi-market Collusion with Territorial Allocation

Discussant: Rittwik Chatterjee

Lunch: 13.10-14.10

## Session III: 14.10-15.30

Chairperson: Sugato Dasgupta

1. Abhirup Sarkar - Clientelism and Contagious Voting: A Theory of Persistent Government Inefficiency

Discussant: Naresh Sharma

2. Parikshit Ghosh and Archisman Chakraborty - Character Endorsements and Electoral Competition

Discussant: Debdatta Saha

Tea: 15.30-15.50

## Session IV: 15.50-17.50

Chairperson: Abhirup Sarkar

1. S. Subramanian - Inequality, Poverty, Two Invariance Conditions, and A Product Rule

Discussant: Debabrata Pal

2. Arnaldur Slvi Kristjansson and Peter J. Lambert - Structural Progression Measures for

Dual Income Tax Systems

Discussant: Parikshit Ghosh

3. Vivekananda Mukherjee - Capital Accumulation, Equalizing Transfer and Race to the Bottom in Fiscal Federalism

Discussant: Srobonti Chattopadhyay

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### Session V: 9.30-10.50

Chairperson:

1.

Discussant:

2. Chetan Ghate, Pawan Gopalakrishnan, Suchismita Tarafdar - A Model of the Indian Business Cycle

Discussant:

Tea: 10.50-11.10

### Session VI: 11.10-13.10

Chairperson: Sudipto Mundle

1. Arnab Mukherji and Neeraj Sood - Financial Risk and Social Insurance: Evidence from India

Discussant:

2. Shruti Sharma - Imported Intermediate Inputs and Workforce Composition: Evidence from India's Tariff Liberalization

Discussant: Sisir Debnath

3. Shamim S. Mondal - Costs of Investing in Mutual Funds in India

Discussant:

Lunch: 13.10-14.10

### Session VII: 14.10-15.30

Chairperson:

1. Prabal Roy Chowdhury and Debdatta Saha - Coordination and Private Information Revelation: Standard Setting Committees and the Market Bandwagon

Discussant:

2. Ram Singh - Take It or Beat It

Discussant:

Tea: 15.30-15.50

### Session VIII: 15.50-17.50

Chairperson: Arun Kumar

1. Ravindra Ranade, Chukiatt Chaiboonsri, and Prasert Chaitip - A Non-Linear Model for Forecasting International Tourism Demand of India

Discussant:

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Discussant:

3. Ramprasad Sengupta - Challenge of Creating Ecologically Sustainable Economy

Discussant: Manish Gupta

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### Session IX: 9.30-10.50

Chairperson:

1. Subrata Sarkar - The Evolving System of Corporate Governance in India

Discussant: Naresh Sharma

2. Jong Kook Shin and Chetan Subramanian - Monetary policy under labor market frictions

Discussant: Debarshi Das

Tea: 10.50-11.10

### Session X: 11.10-13.10

Chairperson:

1.

Discussant:

2. Amarjyoti Mahanta - Endogenous Strategic(price/quantity) Variable in Mixed Duopoly

Discussant: Suchismita Tarafdar

3. Anuj Bhowmik - Coalitional Fairness: The Case of Exact Feasibility with Asymmetric Information

Discussant: Suchismita Tarafdar

Lunch: 13.10-14.10

### Session XI: 14.10-15.30

Chairperson: Pinaki Chakraborty

1. Sisir Debnath - Improving Maternal Health with Incentives to Mothers vs. Health Workers: Evidence from India

Discussant: Shruti Sharma

2. Manish and Ramprasad Sengupta - Energy Savings Potential and Policy for Energy Conservation in Selected Indian Manufacturing Industries

Discussant: Dipankar Sengupta

Tea: 15.30-15.50

**Session XII: 15.50-17.50**

Chairperson:

1. Mausumi Das and Surbhi Badhwar - Inequality and Expectations in a Model of Technology Adoption and Growth

Discussant:

2. Soumyanetra Munshi - Arranged Marriage, Education and Dowry: A Contract-Theoretic Perspective

Discussant: Sugata Bag

3. Swapan Dasgupta -

Discussant:

Concluding Remarks - Subrata Guha and Rajendra Kundu: 17.50-18.00

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