

GLOBAL INITIATIVE OF ACADEMIC NETWORK [GIAN]

Institutions, Economic Development and Industrial Upgrading

OVERVIEW

India is poised at the brink of a major economic and urban transition. Economic upgrading and robust growth in the manufacturing and services sectors will be crucial to this transformation. A strong economy and robust industrialization is critical to creating the jobs that can absorb the millions entering India's workforce every year, and potentially lift millions out of poverty. As in other emerging economies, this change will not occur on its own, nor merely by 'getting prices right' in an unfettered market. It will need the creation of institutions that help broker the innovation and new knowledge needed to augment industrial capabilities and competitiveness. It will, in short, need institutions of economic governance and accountability that can place India's industrial development on a sustainable and inclusive trajectory.

This brief course exposes students to the concepts and fundamental building blocks of institutional change, economic development and industrial upgrading. Rapid technical change, shifting patterns of global trade, and new empirical findings over the past two decades have altered and called in to question our standard understanding of how regions develop, change, and grow. Drawing on findings from this new research and insights from theory and international case material we will examine how our current thinking about institutional arrangements that sustain innovative industrial processes has changed in the light of new global challenges. We will examine new conceptual tools, frameworks, solutions and strategies and will close with reflections on new possibilities for industrial development in India, and the questions we will need to ask to get there. The course has three modules: (A) Conceptual Foundations of Institutions in Economic and Industrial Development; (B) New Solutions and Strategies; (C) Applications and

OBJECTIVES

The primary objectives of the course are as follows:

- i) Exposing participants to the fundamentals of institutional analysis for economic and industrial development
- ii) Helping participants acquire a critical perspective on received wisdom and some myths and misconceptions prevalent in the thinking about industrial development, upgrading and up-skilling
- iii) Helping participants build skill in re-framing questions about industrial development in new and innovative ways
- iv) Providing participants with the conceptual tools to conduct analysis on industrial upgrading, particularly through the techniques of clustering analysis and global value chain analysis
- v) Providing participants with comparative insight into emerging solutions, strategies and innovations from around the world in the area of industrial upgrading and learning
- vi) Helping participants appreciate the importance of mechanisms of accountability
- vii) Helping them develop the confidence to articulate their own ideas about institutional reform in the Indian case
- viii) Clarifying that there is no 'blueprint' or ready-to-use off-the shelf 'tool' or any one right answer, and challenge them to go beyond simple prescriptions and easy dichotomies to think analytically and strategically about possibilities of pragmatic change

WHO CAN ATTEND?

The course is designed for urban planning educators and practitioners in the private and public sectors. Urban policymakers and administrators are also welcome to attend.

The course will be especially beneficial to those in the areas of development planning, regional planning, city management, and public engagement.

The course is open to urban planning students and research scholars, as well as interested students from design, civil engineering, management and social science backgrounds with a particular interest in cities or urban areas.

IMPORTANT DETAILS

DATES: 14 - 18 December 2016

VENUE: COMPUTER LAB &
SEMINAR ROOM, SPA
BHOPAL

COURSE CONDUCTOR:

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COURSE CO-ORDINATORS:

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REGISTRATION FEES STRUCTURE		
Sl.No.	Category of Participants	Amount
1	International Participants	US \$ 300
2	Indian Participants (Industry/Research Organizations/ Academic Institutions with Lodging & Food)	Rs. 5000/-
3	Indian Participants (Industry/Research Organizations/ Academic Institutions without Lodging & Food)	Rs. 2000/-
4	Indian Student Participants (With Lodging & Food)	Rs. 2000/-
5	Indian Student Participants (Without Lodging & Food)	Rs. 1000/-
6	Students from Local Institutes	Rs. 500/-
7	Students of SPA - Bhopal	Rs. 200/-

[The above fees includes all instructional materials, computer use for tutorials & assignments, laboratory equipment usage charges, 24 hour free internet facility]

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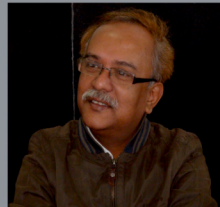
ABOUT THE COURSE CONDUCTOR

Prof. Meenu Tewari is Associate Professor of Economic and International Development at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Her research focuses on the political economy of development and industrialization, and on comparative analyses of institutional reform. She is particularly interested in the changing nature of work in rapidly urbanizing low-income economies, and in the challenge of skill formation and upgrading within regional and global production networks. In her most recent work she is exploring how firms and workers adapt to the new stressors of climate change, and how in turn the stresses change the organization of work or choice of technology and impact labor and industrial productivity. Her latest book is a co-edited volume on labor trajectories in Asian value chains, and will be published by Cambridge University Press in January 2016. Her work has been published in several journals including, World Development, Competition and Change, Environment and Planning, Oxford Development Studies and the Global Economy Journal.



ABOUT THE COURSE CO-ORDINATORS

Binayak Choudhury is the Professor and Head in the Department of Planning at SPA, Bhopal. He holds a Masters in Economics and Regional Planning and PhD in Regional Economics. His core academic interests include Urban and Regional Economics, Municipal Finance and Governance and Quantitative Applications in Urban and Regional Planning.



Kakoli Saha is the Assistant Professor in the Department of Planning at SPA, Bhopal. She holds a Masters in Geography and PhD in Applied Remote Sensing. Her core academic interests include Geoinformatics in Spatial Planning, Quantitative Applications in Planning.



MODULES

Module A: Conceptual Foundations of Institutions in Economic and Industrial Development

Module B: New Solutions and Strategies of Upgrading and Up skilling

Module C: Applications and Reflection