



CENTRE FOR STUDIES IN SOCIAL SCIENCES, CALCUTTA

R-1, Baishnabghata Patuli Township, Kolkata – 700094

**International Conference on Public Finance, Public Economics
& Public Policy**

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Centre for Training and Research in Public Finance and Policy (CTRPFPP)

26th – 30th November 2012

Day 1 (26th November 2012)

- 10:00 am - 10:30 am:** Registration of Participants
- 10:30 am - 10:45 am:** Inauguration by Director, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta & Project Director, CTRPFPP
- 10:45 am – 11:00 am:** Tea Break
- 11:00 am – 1:00 pm:** First Plenary Lecture:
Empirical Evidence and Tax Reform: Lessons from the Mirrlees Review
Richard Blundell, University College London
Chairperson: Sugata Marjit, CSSSC
- 1:00 pm – 1:15 pm:** Question & Answer Session
- 1:15 pm - 2:15 pm:** Lunch Break
Chairperson: Tushar Nandi, CTRPFPP (CSSSC)
- 2:15 pm – 3:00 pm:** Reforming Fuel Subsidies in India
Adil Mohommad, International Monetary Fund
- 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm:** An Appraisal of VAT against Sales Tax in the Indian Perspective
Sattwik Santra, Centre for Training and Research in Public Finance and Policy (CTRPFPP)
- 3:45 pm – 4:15 pm:** Tea Break
- 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm:** Hit The Trunk, Branches Will Fall Automatically
Alpana Kateja, Central University of Rajasthan



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Day 2 (27th November 2012)

- 11:00 am – 1:00 pm:** **Second Plenary Lecture:**
Allowance for Corporate Equity (ACE): Conceptual and Implementation Issues
Flavio M. Menezes, The University of Queensland
Chairperson: Amitava Bose, Indian Institute of Management Calcutta
- 1:00 pm – 1:15 pm:** **Question & Answer Session**
- 1:15 pm – 2:15 pm:** **Lunch Break**

Chairperson: Saibal Kar, CSSSC
- 2:15 pm – 3:00 pm:** **Spillover Effects Of Minimum Wages: Theory And Experimental Evidence**
Marcus Dittrich, Chemnitz University of Technology and CESIFO
- 3:00 pm -3:45 pm:** **Sequential lending with dynamic joint liability in micro finance**
Prabal Roy Chowdhury, Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi
- 3:45 pm – 4:15 pm:** **Tea Break**
- 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm:** **Effect of Oil Tax in the Indian Economy**
Hiranya Lahiri, Jadavpur University

DAY 3 (28th November 2012)

Day Excursion in a launch on River Hooghly (by invitation only) from 10 AM – 5 PM
Lunch and drinks will be served on the launch.



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DAY 4 (29th November 2012)

- 11:00 am – 1:00 pm:** **Third Plenary Lecture:**
Role of Auctions in the Allocation of Public Goods
Flavio M. Menezes, The University of Queensland
Chairperson: Abhirup Sarkar, Indian Statistical
Institute, Calcutta
- 1:00 pm – 1:15 pm:** **Question & Answer Session**
- 1:15 pm – 2:15 pm:** **Lunch Break**
Chairperson: Sattwik Santra, CTRPFP (CSSSC)
- 2:15 pm – 3:00 pm:** **Publicly Provided Goods and Private Supplements:
Some Unpleasant Interaction Effects**
Arijit Sen, Indian Institute of Management Calcutta
- 3:00 pm -3:45 pm:** **No-envy, Egalitarian Equivalence and Strategyproofness
in Queueing Problems**
Manipushpak Mitra, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata
- 3:45 pm – 4:15 pm:** **Tea Break**
- 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm:** **Greening the Emergent Control of Biodiversity
Dynamics: A Game Theoretic Approach to Policies for
Sustainable Consumption**
Pinaki Chakraborti, The University of Burdwan



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Day 5 (30th November 2012)

- 11:00 am – 1:00 pm:** **Fourth Plenary Lecture:**
Consumption Inequality, Consumption Smoothing and Family Labour Supply
Richard Blundell, University College London
Chairperson: Jyotsna Jalan, CSSSC
- 1:00 pm – 1:15 pm:** **Question & Answer Session**
- 1:15 pm – 2:00 pm:** **Lunch Break**
Chairperson: Pranab Kumar Das, CSSSC
- 2:00 pm – 2:45 pm:** **Letting the Briber Go Free: An Experiment on Mitigating Harassment Bribes**
Tarun Jain, Indian School of Business, Hyderabad
- 2:45 pm – 3:30 pm:** **Caste, religion and employment in India: An empirical analysis of network effect**
Tushar Nandi, Centre for Training and Research in Public Finance and Policy
- 3:30 pm – 3:45 pm:** **Tea Break**
- 3:45 pm – 4:30 pm:** **Do Political determinants Affect Revenue Collection? Evidence from the Indian States**
Bharatee Bhusana Dash, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP)
- 4:30 pm – 5:15 pm:** **Intergovernmental Fiscal Transfers in India: Some Emerging Concerns**
Anita Rath, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai