



## Workshop on

### **Japanese Perspectives on India's Economic Development**

**Wednesday, February 6, 2013, 10:30 am - 5:00 pm**  
**Conference Room, NCAER**

**Abstract:** India is one of the worlds' most populous and fastest growing economies. It is increasing its presence in the world economy by expanding cross-border transactions of goods, capital, labour and information. India's rapid growth has significant implications not only for its domestic society but also the global community. There has been a surge of interest in Japan in India's economic development prospects, partially reflecting the implementation of the India-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement and the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor Project.

India also faces serious domestic issues, including chronic poverty, income disparity, gender gap, corruption, environmental deterioration, food-security, inefficient resource allocation, and persistent underemployment. In Japan many specialists on the Indian economy have studied these issues for a long time, producing high-quality papers on several of these topics. It is difficult for Indian scholars to access these studies since most of them are in Japanese. This unique workshop, sponsored jointly by NCAER and the Research Institute for Economics and Business Administration (RIEB) of Kobe University, aims to overcome this difficulty and enable Japanese and Indian scholars and practitioners to exchange views on the nature and implications of India's economic development and its political economy.

RIEB boasts the longest history of all social science research institutes affiliated to national universities in Japan. It is also the only university research institute in Japan to focus on the dual fields of economics and business administration.

#### **Programme**

**10:30**

**Registration and Tea**

**11:00**

**Opening Remarks**

*Dr Shekhar Shah, Director-General, NCAER*

**11:10 - 12:50**

**Industrial Productivity**

**Chairperson:** Dr Ram Upendra Das, Senior Fellow, RIS

**The Impact of Informality on Productivity in the Indian Manufacturing: Evidence from Annual Survey of Industries and National Sample Survey**

*Mr Manabu Furuta, Graduate School of Economics, Kyoto University*

**Productivity Dynamics and Rural Industrialization in India**

*Dr Takahiro Sato, Professor, Research Institute for Economics and Business Administration (RIEB), Kobe University*

**13:00 - 14:00**

**Lunch**

**14:00 - 15:50**

**Labour Markets**

**Chairperson:** Dr Ram Gopal Agarwala, Distinguished Fellow, RIS & Former World Bank Consultant

**Indian Labour Markets and Returns to Education, 1983 to 2009-10**

*Dr Takahiro Sato*

**Indian People and Their Labour in Economic Development**

*Dr Junko Kiso, Professor, Faculty of Global and Inter-cultural Studies, Ferris University*

**15:50 - 16:00**

**Tea Break**

**16:00 - 16:50**

**Political Economy:**

**Chairperson:** Dr Aradhna Aggarwal, Senior Fellow, NCAER

**The Burden of Public Inaction: Agrarian Impasse in 'Growing' Bihar**

*Dr Kazuki Minato, Research Fellow, Institute of Developing Economies*

**16:50 - 17:00**

**Closing Remarks**

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