

## SESSION PLAN

**Eighth Conversations on Research (CoRe): IGIDR Ph.D. Colloquium, 2025**

**October 29, 2025 – October 31, 2025**

**Venue for All Lectures and Sessions: CONFERENCE HALL**

### Thursday 30th October 2025

#### **Session 1 (09.30 - 11.00)**

**Discussant – Dr. Shubhro Sarkar**

**Paper 1:** *Identity Focus in Political Campaigns*

**Presenter:** Ravi Ashok Satpute - Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta

**Paper 2:** *Party-influenced media, independent news and information traps*

**Presenter:** Ravindra Agrawal - Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay

**Paper 3:** *Efficiency of Decomposed Negligence Rules: A Reconsideration*

**Presenter:** Suranjana Roy - Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

#### **Session 2 (11.30 – 13.00)**

**Discussant – Dr. Sargam Gupta**

**Paper 1:** *Growth After the Storm: Revisiting the Economic Impact of Natural Disasters in Lower Middle-income Countries*

**Presenter:** Abina V.P. - Institute for Social and Economic change, Bengaluru

**Paper 2:** *Resource Rents, Fertility Choices, and Economic Growth: An Overlapping Generations Approach*

**Presenter:** Pragya Jain - Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi

**Paper 3:** *Analyzing the Role of Elasticity of Substitution in the Distributional Dynamics of Innovation Policies*

**Presenter:** Avichal Sharma - Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee

#### **Session 3-A (14.00 – 15.00)**

**Discussant – Dr. Bharti Nandwani**

**Paper 1:** *Cinderella No More: Night Shift Bans and Women's Employment in India*

**Presenter:** Anshika Arora - Plaksha University, Mohali

**Paper 2:** *Mind the (Pension) Gap: Evidence on Household Responses to Pension Interruptions*

**Presenter:** Mayank Kumar Yadav - Indian Institute of Technology, Jodhpur

#### **Session 3-B (15.30 – 16.30)**

**Discussant – Dr. Bharti Nandwani**

**Paper 3:** *Costs of Compassion: Impact of informal caregiving on caregivers' wellbeing in India*

**Presenter:** Priyanka - Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

**Paper 4:** *Board Networks, Gender Diversity, and CSR Engagement*

**Presenter:** Kavitha Nambiar - Madras School of Economics

#### **Session 4 (16.30 – 18.00)**

**Discussant – Dr. Manisha Jain**

**Paper 1:** *Role of Institutions in the Macroeconomics of Climate Change*

**Presenter:** Manuj Jha - Indian Institute of Technology, Jodhpur

**Paper 2:** *Does Location Matter in Household Energy Consumption? An Empirical Analysis across the Hills and the Valley in Manipur, India*

**Presenter:** Sonia Kahmei - Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati

**Paper 3:** *Choices under constraint: Analysing the climate-driven trade-offs in energy and food spending among Indian households*

**Presenter:** Jaya Gupta - Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay

### **Friday 31st October 2025**

#### **Session 1 (09.30 - 11.00)**

**Discussant – Dr. Moumita Roy**

**Paper 1:** *Regret and Rejoice Behaviour and Demand for Crop Insurance*

**Presenter:** Binod Kumar Behera - Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum

**Paper 2:** *Taste-based preferences: Implications for the labor market*

**Presenter:** Ria Mongia - Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi

**Paper 3:** *Greenflation in HANK with Costly Self-control*

**Presenter:** Annapurna Jandhyala - Jawaharlal Nehru University

#### **Session 2-A (14.00 - 15.00)**

**Discussant – Dr. Disha Gupta**

**Paper 1:** *Can Neighbourhood Clinics Deliver? Causal Evidence from Delhi's Mohalla Clinics on Maternal and Child Health Outcomes*

**Presenter:** Aakriti Aggarwal - Indian Institution of Technology, Kanpur

**Paper 2:** *Do Indian Parliamentary Debates Oversight Silicosis? Text Analysis using Structural Topic Model*

**Presenter:** Akash Pal - Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee

#### **Session 2-B (15.30 - 16.30)**

**Discussant – Dr. Disha Gupta**

**Paper 3:** *Co-residence and Elderly Mental Wellbeing: How Do Existing Health Conditions Matter?*

**Presenter:** Lakshmi Ullas C.U - Madras School of Economics

**Paper 4:** *Sustaining Nutri-Cereal Consumption in Rural Areas: Role of Access to Free Grains*

**Presenter:** Surabhi M - Madras School of Economics

#### **Session 3 (16.30 - 18.00)**

**Discussant – Dr. Tirthatanmoy Das**

**Paper 1:** *Can Affirmative Action Reduce Wealth Gaps? Evidence from a Natural Experiment in India*

**Presenter:** Mritunjay Kumar - Ashoka University, Delhi

**Paper 2:** *Decentralization under Strain: The Role of Own Revenues in Local Government Responses to COVID-19 in India*

**Presenter:** Abhishek Tripathy - Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad

**Paper 3:** *Digital Edge: Effect of Internet on Women-owned Small Businesses*

**Presenter:** Soumi Bose - Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani