INDIA POLICY FORUM - III
31 July – 1 August, 2006
Jacaranda Hall, India Habitat Centre

Day 1: Monday, July 31, 2006

9:00 am   Registration

9:30 am – 10:15 am   Inaugural Session; Introduction to Conference
Chair : Dr. Bimal Jalan

10:15 am – 10:45 pm   Tea Break

10:45 am -- 12:45 pm   Session 1: Sources of Growth in the Indian Economy
Barry Bosworth/Susan M. Collins, The Brookings Institution, USA;
Arvind Virmani, The Planning Commission
Chair    Ashok Lahiri
Discussants Shankar N. Acharya
Rajnish Mehra

*(Introduction and Summing up by chair: 5 minutes each, Presentation by authors: no more than 30
minutes; Each discussant no more than fifteen minutes)

12:45 -- 1:45 pm   Lunch (at site)

1:45 pm – 3:45 pm   Session 2: Trade Liberalization, Labour-Market Institutions & Poverty Reduction: Evidence from Indian States
Rana Hasan, Asian Development Bank
Devashish Mitra, Syracuse University
Beyza P.Ural, Syracuse University
Chair    John Williamson
Discussants T.N. Srinivasan
Kenneth Kletzer

3:45 pm – 4:00 pm   Coffee and Tea

4:00 pm – 6:00 pm   Session 3: Teacher Compensation: Can Decentralization to Local Bodies Take India From Perfect Storm Through Troubled Waters to Clear Sailing?
Lant Pritchett with Rinku Murgai (World Bank, New Delhi)
Chair    Abhijit Banerjee
Discussants EstherDuflo
Shubhashis Gangopadhyay

7:00 pm-8.00pm   Release of India Policy Forum 2005-06
Chair: Dr. Bimal Jalan, President, NCAER
Chief Guest: Hon. Finance Minister, Mr. P. Chidambaram
Welcome and introduction of Chair: Mr. Suman Bery, Director-General, NCAER
Launch of Volume
Remarks by Chief Guest
Followed by: IPF 2006 Public Lecture

Speaker: Dr. Pranab Bardhan, University of California
Topic: "Governance Matters in Economic Reform"

8:15 pm-10.00 pm Cocktails & Dinner hosted by Divya and Bimal Jalan

Day 2: Tuesday, August 1, 2006

9:15 am – 11:15 am Session 4: Does Economic Growth Reduce Fertility?
Economic Growth & Fertility Change in Rural India
Andrew Foster, Brown University
Mark Rosenzweig, Yale University
Chair Rakesh Mohan
Discussants Kaushik Basu
Ajay Shah
Mihir Desai

11:15 am – 11:30 am Coffee and Tea

11:30 am – 1:30 pm Session 5: Managing the Environmental Consequences of Growth:
Deforestation in the Indian Mid-Himalayas
Jean-Marie Baland, University of Namur
Pranab Bardhan, University of California, Berkeley
Sanghamitra Das, ISI, Delhi
Dilip Mookherjee, Boston University
Rinki Sarkar, ISEC, Bangalore
Chair Kirit Parikh
Discussants Andrew Foster
Devesh Kapur

1:30 pm – 2:00 pm Lunch

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm Planning for next year’s IPF (Panel Members and Sponsors)