"Crime, Deprivation and Social Sustainability of Development"

Sustainable development is a process of economic growth without social disruption and without the involvement of any serious environmental risk of collapse of the ecosystem. There are three interactive dimensions of sustainability - economic, social and environmental. We focus in this paper on the dimension of social sustainability of the development process – particularly on the determining factors of social tension which results in social disruption in violent forms of the different types of crime – murder, property related crimes (dacoity, robbery and burglary), riots and Left wing insurgency destabilizing a socio-economic order. Although occurrences of such crimes are symptoms of weakness of the law and order of the state, such events are mostly induced by various types of deprivation and discrimination. This paper attempts to find out the role of economic deprivation - resulting in economic inequality and poverty - as well as other infrastructural and socio-economic developmental factors in determining such crimes in the context of Indian economy using a panel data of the Indian states. It points to the required direction of policy reform for building up peace and a socially sustainable economy in India.

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All are welcome to attend.