





ECONOMICS OF BUILDING RESILIENCE TO FLOODING: A CASE OF DHAKA CITY

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VENUE: V. K. R. V. Rao Room, Institute of Economic Growth, University of Delhi

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SPEAKER: Dr. Susmita Dasgupta, Lead Environmental Economist, World Bank, Washington DC

Please join us for High Tea after the talk

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BIOGRAPHY OF THE SPEAKER ·

Susmita Dasgupta is a Lead Environmental Economist in the Environment and Energy Team of the Development Research Group. Her research area is environmental management in developing countries. She has conducted her research in Bangladesh, Brazil, Cambodia, China, Colombia, Cuba, India, Iran, Lao PDR, Madagascar, Mexico, Tunisia, Vietnam and Yemen, and has published numerous books and papers.

ABSTRACT

This talk presents the results of a multiyear and multidisciplinary research project by a team of hydrologists, economists and regional planners for building local resilience to flood-disaster risk. Inter alia, it assesses Dhaka's preparedness for urban flood emergencies, estimates the economic damage from extreme rainfall events by 2050 and a reduction in these damages from appropriate policy interventions. The implications of this study for similarly placed developing country megacities are also highlighted.





