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OCTOBER



Political Dynamics in Bihar: Electoral Competition and Representation

Departing from the usual claims on who will win the upcoming assembly elections, JGU Professors **Arun & Yugank** study the numbers of previous elections to assess the type of representation and political competition Bihar can expect to face. Hence they predict the nature of elections, rather than its result. [Read On..](#)

China's Economic Slowdown: An Opportunity to Boost Indo-Africa Ties

In the light of the India-Africa Forum Summit (IAFS) this month, **Richa Sekhani** views the Chinese slowdown as a chance for India to deepen its relationship with African Countries. [Read On..](#)

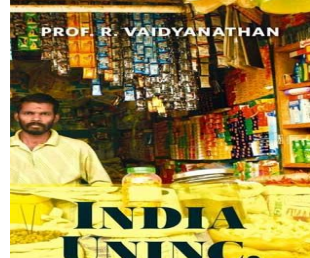


A Comparative Look at the Development Experience of Brazil and China

Ashwin Nair presents a comparative look and contrasts the role of the state in the economic development of two BRICS countries, Brazil and China. [Read On...](#)

Book Review: India Uninc.

Vivek Rai summarizes R. Vaidyanathan's India Uninc. offering a cogent overview of the oft ignored unincorporated sector which contributes upto 45% of India's GDP, hailing it as a much needed insight into a less written about area. [Read On..](#)



SEPTEMBER



Perspectives on US Mass Incarceration

Kalyani Unkule provides a timely perspective on the worrying trend of US Mass Incarceration in the face of upcoming 2016 US Presidential Elections. Against a recent history of political polarisation, the problem of mass incarceration is being discussed as providing an opportunity for bipartisan cooperation and is attracting attention from Presidential hopefuls. [Read On..](#)

Innovation: Affecting India's Business & Economic Milieu in the Future

'Can India become a global hub for innovation?' **Ekta Gupta** endeavors to answer this question as a reflection to Nirmalya Kumar's TED talk on India's Invisible Innovation. 'Innovation is novelty in how value is created and distributed' as defined by the economist Schumpeter. [Read On..](#)



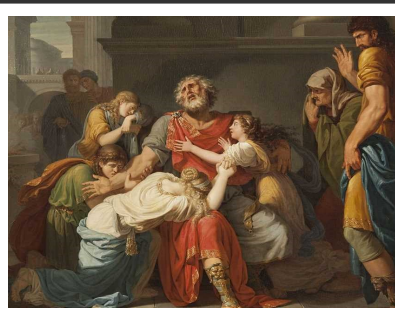
Jekyll and Hyde: South Korea's Family Businesses

Sayantana Chanda talks about the yet existing stronghold of the 'Chaebols' in South Korea and what consequences it holds for the South Korean economy and society. [Read On..](#)

AUGUST

Greece Tragedy: Act II

Greece is the birthplace of democracy, Olympic Games & now has created a cocktail of the two namely 'games in democracy'. **Pawan Gopalakrishnan & Anuradha Saha** explore how the recent European Union episode offers an opportunity to contemplate on how to not be the next Greece. [Read On..](#)



Examining the Economic Impact of Amending the Land Acquisition Act, 2013

Harsh Loonker analyses the economic consequences of the proposed amendment of the Land Acquisition Act, 2013. [Read On..](#)

Reimagining India's Role in the Thirty Meter Telescope Project

Kalyani Unkule talks about India's participation in the controversial TMT Project in Hawaii which is facing protests on cultural & environmental grounds. It proposes a rethink in light of India's own rich culture of supporting heritage over moneyed development. [Read On..](#)



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