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RESEARCH Political Economy
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REFEREED PAPERS

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Evolution of Credit Market Regulation (in India), Oxford Companion to Economics in India, K. Basu (Editor), Oxford University Press: New Delhi (2007).

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Subpoena Power, Access Constraint and Information Transmission (with A. Dellis)

Overlobbying and Pareto-improving Agenda Constraint (with A. Dellis)

Favor Exchange Networks with Stochastic Costs (with S. Choi, V. Masson and A. Moore)

Conflict and Leadership: Why is There a Hawkish Drift in Politics? (with S. Bandyopadhyay)

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Sage Foundation Doctoral Fellowship, Cornell University Henry George Junior Faculty Grant, Williams College

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TEACHING

UNDERGRADUATE

Development Economics East Asian Economies Intermediate Microeconomics

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