



## NEWSLETTER

The October 2019 Issue of the Newsletter provides a quick recap of ICRIER's research and policy engagements during the month of September 2019.

ICRIER organised a stakeholder consultation on 3rd September to discuss "The Role of Standards in Diffusion of Emerging Technologies: Internet of Things (IoT)"; commissioned by the Department of Science and Industrial Research (DSIR). A concise overview of the evolution of IoT ecosystem (India and globally), the importance of standardization and role of standard development organizations (SDOs) was presented followed by interaction with experts.



Also on 3rd September, a stakeholders' consultation workshop on "Exploring Cost-Reduction Strategies for Electric Vehicle (EV) Batteries" was organized in Bengaluru jointly by ICRIER and IIM, Bangalore. The global trends in EVs and various strategic and policy options to reducing cost were discussed. On 4th September, Dr. Mihir Shah, former Member, Planning Commission delivered a talk on "Solutions to India's Water Crises" as a part of ICRIER's 'Conversations in Urbanisation' series.

Dr. Isher Ahluwalia, Chairperson, ICRIER delivered a keynote address at the 4th South Asia Economic Network Conference on "Subnational Finance and Local Service Delivery", organised by the World Bank on 7th and 8th September in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

On 16th September, ICRIER in partnership with DoT, COAI and TAIPA organized a regional workshop on "Enhancing Digital Infrastructure" along with States and UTs" at Chennai. A stakeholder's consultation on "Domain Name Market in India: Evolving Trends, Competition Issues and Challenges in the Industry" was organized on 17th September in collaboration with the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Mumbai.

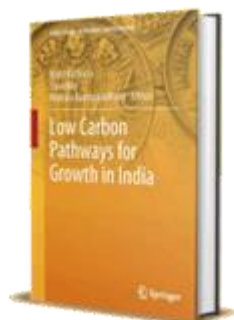
On 20th September, ICRIER organized a seminar on "Does choice of contract matter for cost and quality of highways? Empirical analysis of PPPs vs. traditional contracts." Dr. Ram Singh, Professor-Economics, Delhi School of Economics spoke on the relationship between costs and quality of highways and contract type using findings from about 300 projects in India.

On 30th September, ICRIER organized the launch of the book "Low Carbon Pathways for Growth in India" edited by Rajat Kathuria, Saon Ray and Kuntala Bandyopadhyay.

The book explores low carbon pathways for India up until 2030. The book launch was followed by a panel discussion. On the same day, a Stakeholders' Consultation on 'Financing Resilience against Natural Disasters' was held.

Highlights of other ICRIER publications under different segments and events are presented below.

## BOOK, REPORTS, WORKING PAPERS AND POLICY BRIEFS



### **Low Carbon Pathways for Growth in India**

Kathuria, Rajat, Ray, Saon, Bandyopadhyay, Kuntala (Eds.)

### **Automation and Future of Garment Sector Jobs: A Case Study of India**

Pankaj Vashisht and Nisha Rani

### **Agricultural Credit System in India: Evolution, Effectiveness and Innovations**

Ashok Gulati & Ritika Juneja

### **Skill Development in Indian Agriculture and Food Processing Sectors: A Scoping Exercise**

Kavery Ganguly, Ashok Gulati, and Joachim von Braun

## SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOP

### **Book Launch & Panel Discussion on Low Carbon Pathways for Growth in India**

30 Sep 2019

### **Stakeholders' Consultation on Financing Resilience against Natural Disasters**

30 Sep 2019

### **Talk on Does choice of contract matter for cost and quality of highways? Empirical analysis of PPPs vs. Traditional contracts**

20 Sep 2019

### **Stakeholder Consultation on the Domain Name Market in India**

17 Sep 2019

### **DoT Regional Workshop with States/UTs**

16 Sep 2019

### **IHC – ICRIER Urban Conversations Series: Solutions to India's Water Crises**

04 Sep 2019

### **Stakeholder Consultation on The Role of Standards in Diffusion of Emerging Technologies: Internet of Things (IoT)**

03 Sep 2019

### **Stakeholders' Consultation Workshop on cost reduction strategies for Electric Vehicle (EV) batteries**

03 Sep 2019

## OUR PRESENCE IN THE MEDIA

### **From Plate to Plough: Wipe Away the Onion Tears**

Ashok Gulati & Harsh Wardhan | The Indian Express / The Financial Express | 30 September 2019

### **Explained: Why Govt Must Stop Financing Compactors Under ...**

Isher Judge Ahluwalia & Ayush Khare | The Financial Express / The Indian Express | 25 September 2019

### **Streamlining Food Trade through Technology and Data Analytics**

Arpita Mukherjee & Divya Satija | India Business and Trade | September 2019

### **Watch | Economic Crisis Could Worsen, But Here's Why the ...**

Shankar Acharya | The Wire | 19 September 2019

### **Why Apple Procurement in J&K Will not be Easy**

Siraj Hussain | The Wire | 18 September, 2019

### **Enigmas of the Indian Economy**

Alok Sheel | East Asia Forum | 18 September 2019

### **From Plate to Plough: The Right to Choose**

Ashok Gulati | The Indian Express / The Financial Express | 16 September 2019

### **Modi Govt Must Treat Farmers as Businessmen & Introduce ...**

Shweta Saini | The Print | 13 September 2019

### **Trai Gets it Wrong: Bundling Beneficial for both Consumers, Producers**

Rajat Kathuria | The Financial Express | 13 September 2019

### **Best of BS Opinion: Dim Growth Prospects, RCEP an ...**

Shankar Acharya | Business Standard | 12 September 2019

### **War between US & China is a Technological One**

Arpita Mukherjee | Trade Promotion Council of India | 9 September 2019

### **Understanding India's Jobs Challenge**

Radhicka Kapoor | The India Forum | 6 September 2019

### **Remembering Arun Jaitley's Contribution to Agri-policies**

Ashok Gulati | The Financial Express / The Indian Express | 2 September 2019

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