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MACROECONOMICS: AN ALTERNATIVE APPROACH



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ABSTRACT

In this lecture, I'll present some novel features of my recent book, *Macroeconomics: An Introduction* (Cambridge University Press, 2021). In particular, I shall focus on the alternative approach I present in my book, which draws on the work of Smith, Ricardo, Marx, Keynes and Sraffa. Furthermore, by assembling publicly available data on the Indian economy and books of fiction written by Indian authors, I bring together conceptual and contextual aspects of macroeconomics. I shall end by making some brief remarks on the pedagogic standpoint found in my book.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Alex M. Thomas teaches economics at Azim Premji University, Bengaluru, India. He studied economics at the universities of Madras, Hyderabad and Sydney. His research has been published in many journals including the *Economic & Political Weekly*, *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, *History of Economic Ideas* and *Journal of Interdisciplinary Economics*. His textbook *Macroeconomics: An Introduction* was published by Cambridge University Press earlier this year.

He delivered the 14th Dr. M. V. Kurien Commemorative Lecture at Union Christian (UC) College, Aluva on 'Adam Smith and his Contemporary Relevance' in 2019 and the 29th K. K. Francis Memorial Lecture at St. Berchmans (SB) College, Changanacherry on 'History of Economic Thought: Rigorous and Relevant' in 2021. He is currently writing a textbook on the history of economic thought.

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