

**Big Data, Bigger Lies**

- 10 The way this government is talking about the power of big data only confirms the worst fears of the misuse of Aadhaar and other public data entrusted to the state. — *Anand Teltumbde*

**Women with Visual Disabilities and the Women's Movement**

- 12 With regard to the connections between the women's movement and disability rights movement, visually challenged participants at a workshop felt that being a part of mainstream society, the women's movement has, with a few exceptions, also invisibilised disability. — *Renu Addlakha*

**Political Security or Energy Security?**

- 16 The Oil and Natural Gas Corporation's decision to buy 80% of Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation's interests in the Krishna Godavari basin for \$1.2 billion could be a calculated gamble. — *Bhamy V Shenoy*

**Intergenerational Equity Case Study: Iron-ore Mining in Goa**

- 18 The public trust doctrine holds that the natural resources inherited by the present generation are a part of the commons—owned equally by all and legally owned by the state—and must be available to future generations in perpetuity. — *Rahul Basu*

**'Surgical Strikes' by India: Taking International Law Seriously**

- 21 The strikes require international legal justification and have to be viewed in the context of established norms of international law, and India needs to institutionalise the architecture for factoring it in for conducting external affairs. — *Bharat H Desai*

**A Quiet Scholar**

- 25 Amitava Bose (1947–2017) was known for his intellectual prowess in the field of macroeconomics and being a true gentleman. — *Prabhat Patnaik*

**Religion, Fertility and 'Common Sense'**

- 34 Why are mythical constructions on fertility and religion increasing despite the fact that the authentic empirical data sets—Census, National Family Health Surveys—negate the same? — *Abul Salim Khan, Mohammad Shahid*

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- 41 An analysis of historical transformations in boundary and land use in Hauz Khas, New Delhi shows how local responses have created a new politics of urban formation. — *Sudev J Sheth*

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- 50 A research study conducted in three tribal districts—Alirajpur, Barwani and Khandwa—of Madhya Pradesh analyses the status and determinants of malnutrition and child death. — *Rajesh Mishra*

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