SPECIAL LECTURE SERIES, 2018 ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT, PRESIDENCY UNIVERSITY



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will deliver special lectures on

"The simple economics of violent conflict" $13^{th} August - 16^{th} August 2018$

Schedule Venue: 3 - 4:30 PM in Economics Lecture Theatre 1 (Room No. 21) on all days.

This lecture series has two parts. In one part, he will look into the general nature of conflict. Conflict is destructive, but is it irrational? Why do rational agents still engage in conflict, when they can arrive at a better bargain across the table? In the second part, he will consider certain facts about violent conflict in today's world: (1) conflict tends to be within-country rather than inter-country, (2) conflict occurs along ethnic lines rather than class lines, (3) conflict seems to decline with economic development.