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1 00:00:02.190 --> 00:00:03.270 line:15% <v Dr. Rao>Good afternoon, everyone.</v>
2 00:00:03.270 --> 00:00:05.400 line:15% Thank you so much for being here.
3 00:00:05.400 --> 00:00:06.560 line:15% First of all, before I start,
4 00:00:06.560 --> 00:00:07.780 line:15% I wanted to apologize,
5 00:00:07.780 --> 00:00:11.510 line:15% especially for those who are physically present at the venue
6 00:00:11.510 --> 00:00:13.520 line:15% that I can't be there in person.
7 00:00:13.520 --> 00:00:16.950 line:15% I very recently received an invitation to attend a meeting
8 00:00:17.830 --> 00:00:21.400 line:15% that was closed on invitation for a discussion
9 00:00:21.400 --> 00:00:23.030 line:15% about energy transitions in the U.S.
10 00:00:23.030 --> 00:00:25.740 line:15% that I considered important to attend.
11 00:00:25.740 --> 00:00:28.130 line:15% And, I couldn't find any flights that would bring me
12 00:00:28.130 --> 00:00:29.140 line:15% to the meeting on time.
13 00:00:29.140 --> 00:00:31.020 line:15% Other than one,
14 00:00:31.020 --> 00:00:33.620 line:15% for which I am on my way to Newark Airport,
15 00:00:33.620 --> 00:00:34.580 line:15% literally right now,
16 00:00:34.580 --> 00:00:36.570 line:15% as you listen to this.
17 00:00:36.570 --> 00:00:37.403 line:15% But I will,
18 00:00:37.403 --> 00:00:41.930 line:15% however, join in about 40 minutes to answer your questions.
19 00:00:41.930 --> 00:00:44.240 line:15% So, if you could please just make note of your questions
20 00:00:44.240 --> 00:00:45.370 line:15% as we go along.
21 00:00:45.370 --> 00:00:49.513 line:15% I'd be happy to discuss them live at the end of this talk.
22 00:00:50.380 --> 00:00:51.560 line:15% So, I'm gonna talk today,
23 00:00:51.560 --> 00:00:53.950 line:15% about a study that I did while I was working

24 00:00:53.950 --> 00:00:56.490 line:15% at The International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis,

25 00:00:56.490 --> 00:00:59.230 line:15% IIASA, a few years ago.

26 00:00:59.230 --> 00:01:01.480 line:15% That took a couple of years to complete

27 00:01:01.480 --> 00:01:04.000 line:15% and finally resulted in the publication,

28 00:01:04.000 --> 00:01:06.050 line:15% just a few months ago in nature sustainability,

29 00:01:06.050 --> 00:01:08.270 line:15% which makes me very happy.

30 00:01:08.270 --> 00:01:12.010 line:15% And the two main reasons I'm interested to do this talk.

31 00:01:12.010 --> 00:01:13.640 line:15% The first is,

32 00:01:13.640 --> 00:01:15.950 line:15% the empirical insights.

33 00:01:15.950 --> 00:01:16.783 line:15% This is the,

34 00:01:16.783 --> 00:01:18.240 line:15% only the second study I know of.

35 00:01:18.240 --> 00:01:19.810 line:15% And the first in India

36 00:01:19.810 --> 00:01:23.570 line:15% that relates the consumption side or the contribution side

37 00:01:23.570 --> 00:01:26.760 line:15% of air pollution in India to the impact side.

38 00:01:26.760 --> 00:01:27.893 line:15% And specifically,

39 00:01:28.800 --> 00:01:31.890 line:15% which households, of what categories of income

40 00:01:31.890 --> 00:01:34.540 line:15% contribute to different sources of pollution?

41 00:01:34.540 --> 00:01:37.610 line:15% And, to what extent are they impacted by that pollution

42 00:01:37.610 --> 00:01:40.530 line:15% in terms of the risk of mortality?

43 00:01:40.530 --> 00:01:42.420 line:15% And in doing that,

44 00:01:42.420 --> 00:01:45.600 line:15% I think it's important from a policy perspective,

45 00:01:45.600 --> 00:01:46.840 line:15% asking this question,

46 00:01:46.840 --> 00:01:49.640 line:15% because it allows us to think about consumption

47 00:01:49.640 --> 00:01:52.850 line:15% as one of the options for mitigation of air pollution,

48 00:01:52.850 --> 00:01:55.800 line:15% and not just looking at end of pipe controls.

49 00:01:55.800 --> 00:01:58.770 line:15% And this is one avenue for us to think about

50 00:01:58.770 --> 00:02:02.010 line:15% how sustainable consumption can be brought into the fore

51 00:02:02.010 --> 00:02:03.830 line:15% in terms of the solutions to address,

52 00:02:03.830 --> 00:02:04.700 line:15% not just climate change,

53 00:02:04.700 --> 00:02:06.530 line:15% but air pollution as well.

54 00:02:06.530 --> 00:02:07.660 line:15% The second reason,

55 00:02:07.660 --> 00:02:08.493 line:15% is that to me,

56 00:02:08.493 --> 00:02:10.050 line:15% this is a very interesting exercise

57 00:02:10.050 --> 00:02:12.210 line:15% in interdisciplinary research.

58 00:02:12.210 --> 00:02:15.310 line:15% And specifically in integrated assessment.

59 00:02:15.310 --> 00:02:17.470 line:15% So, there was an air pollution group in IIASA.

60 00:02:17.470 --> 00:02:19.500 line:15% There is an air pollution group.

61 00:02:19.500 --> 00:02:21.760 line:15% Which many of you I know are familiar with,

62 00:02:21.760 --> 00:02:24.290 line:15% that run the GAINS Model that I will talk about.

63 00:02:24.290 --> 00:02:25.380 line:15% And there's the energy group

64 00:02:25.380 --> 00:02:27.000 line:15% that runs an integrated assessment model.

65 00:02:27.000 --> 00:02:30.840 line:15% And does other research on energy system transformations

66 00:02:30.840 --> 00:02:32.670 line:15% for climate change.

67 00:02:32.670 --> 00:02:34.980 line:15% And what I was looking with this group,

68 00:02:34.980 --> 00:02:36.860 line:15% I saw that there was these two different groups

69 00:02:36.860 --> 00:02:41.860 line:15% that had a completely different work research agendas.

70 00:02:42.910 --> 00:02:43.890 line:15% But they had of course,

71 00:02:43.890 --> 00:02:45.990 line:15% collaborated to look at co-benefits

72 00:02:45.990 --> 00:02:48.040 line:15% between air pollution and climate change.

73 00:02:48.910 --> 00:02:51.230 line:15% But never specifically thinking about the relationship

74 00:02:51.230 --> 00:02:54.680 line:15% between the contributions from the energy sector

75 00:02:54.680 --> 00:02:55.610 line:15% to air pollution.

76 00:02:55.610 --> 00:02:58.520 line:15% And who causes that from the household perspective.

77 00:02:58.520 --> 00:03:00.130 line:15% And so, I saw these two different groups

78 00:03:00.130 --> 00:03:03.531 line:15% and the opportunity to build some bridges between them.

79 00:03:03.531 --> 00:03:06.270 line:15% And pull that off after a few years.

80 00:03:06.270 --> 00:03:07.610 line:15% So, I think methodologically,

81 00:03:07.610 --> 00:03:09.080 line:15% it's an interesting example

82 00:03:09.080 --> 00:03:11.090 line:15% of applied interdisciplinary research

83 00:03:11.090 --> 00:03:13.060 line:15% that I think would be nice to replicate

84 00:03:13.060 --> 00:03:15.230 line:15% in other contexts as well.

85 00:03:15.230 --> 00:03:17.310 line:15% So, I wanna provide some background

86 00:03:17.310 --> 00:03:19.290 line:15% to air pollution in India.

87 00:03:19.290 --> 00:03:24.290 line:15% I'm gonna discuss mostly the methodology that we applied

88 00:03:24.500 --> 00:03:25.333 line:15% in doing this,

89 00:03:25.333 --> 00:03:27.920 line:15% which I think is the most interesting part to this audience.

90 00:03:27.920 --> 00:03:29.810 line:15% And then discuss some of the results

91 00:03:29.810 --> 00:03:31.763 line:15% and the implications for policy.

92 00:03:36.230 --> 00:03:38.530 I think it's pretty clear to everyone in this audience

93 00:03:38.530 --> 00:03:40.213 that particulate matter,
94 00:03:40.213 --> 00:03:44.200 fine particulate matter has serious health effects
95 00:03:44.200 --> 00:03:47.870 and leads to the death of over a million people
a year
96 00:03:47.870 --> 00:03:49.270 in South Asia alone.
97 00:03:49.270 --> 00:03:51.550 And that affects mainly women and children.
98 00:03:51.550 --> 00:03:53.850 And this is through various diseases
99 00:03:53.850 --> 00:03:54.810 that you're familiar with;
100 00:03:54.810 --> 00:03:57.563 pulmonary diseases, cardiovascular diseases,
101 00:03:59.270 --> 00:04:01.800 lower respiratory infections that children face,
102 00:04:01.800 --> 00:04:03.050 and many others.
103 00:04:03.050 --> 00:04:04.850 The main point I wanted to make about this,
104 00:04:04.850 --> 00:04:08.780 is as you're all familiar with the dose response
functions
105 00:04:08.780 --> 00:04:10.480 in terms of the relative risk
106 00:04:10.480 --> 00:04:12.730 and the relationship to concentrations,
107 00:04:12.730 --> 00:04:15.220 to ambient concentrations is nonlinear.
108 00:04:15.220 --> 00:04:16.320 And what this means,
109 00:04:16.320 --> 00:04:19.050 is that you have to make very, very significant
reductions
110 00:04:19.050 --> 00:04:21.040 in the concentration levels,
111 00:04:21.040 --> 00:04:24.960 in order to really see significant impacts on
health.
112 00:04:24.960 --> 00:04:27.370 And I bring this up because in India,
113 00:04:27.370 --> 00:04:28.203 in particular,
114 00:04:28.203 --> 00:04:30.790 there has been a focus on residential use of
cookstoves
115 00:04:30.790 --> 00:04:33.010 as the primary source of air pollution.
116 00:04:33.010 --> 00:04:34.480 And it is specifically,
117 00:04:34.480 --> 00:04:36.260 for indoor air pollution.
118 00:04:36.260 --> 00:04:41.190 And there've been numerous studies and pro-
grams over decades
119 00:04:41.190 --> 00:04:42.060 in South Asia,

120 00:04:42.060 --> 00:04:45.740 to try to create improved cookstoves that burn biomass

121 00:04:45.740 --> 00:04:47.040 in a better way,

122 00:04:47.040 --> 00:04:48.560 and have failed for decades.

123 00:04:48.560 --> 00:04:49.780 And that's because,

124 00:04:49.780 --> 00:04:51.950 although they've had some kinds of improvements

125 00:04:51.950 --> 00:04:53.130 in reductions in pollution

126 00:04:53.130 --> 00:04:56.110 and improvements in efficiency of the stoves.

127 00:04:56.110 --> 00:04:58.480 They don't lead to strong enough reductions

128 00:04:58.480 --> 00:05:01.430 in the concentrations in indoor air pollution.

129 00:05:01.430 --> 00:05:04.540 So, it's important to know that there are several other

130 00:05:04.540 --> 00:05:07.620 aspects of air pollution that are from other sources,

131 00:05:07.620 --> 00:05:09.273 that affect people's health.

132 00:05:10.640 --> 00:05:14.070 Those who are burning solid fuels for cookstoves

133 00:05:14.070 --> 00:05:15.820 by ambient air pollution that they inhale

134 00:05:15.820 --> 00:05:17.100 when they leave the house as well.

135 00:05:17.100 --> 00:05:18.450 And that's what this paper is about.

136 00:05:18.450 --> 00:05:21.000 It's about ambient air pollution for the most part.

137 00:05:21.916 --> 00:05:24.010 There's several different sources in the economy

138 00:05:24.010 --> 00:05:25.270 for air pollution,

139 00:05:25.270 --> 00:05:27.050 besides cookstoves.

140 00:05:27.050 --> 00:05:28.790 Households that don't have electricity access

141 00:05:28.790 --> 00:05:30.410 use kerosene for lighting.

142 00:05:30.410 --> 00:05:32.040 And that is an important source.

143 00:05:32.040 --> 00:05:34.320 A lot of people don't know that in urban areas of India,

144 00:05:34.320 --> 00:05:36.470 where they don't have access to biomass,

145 00:05:36.470 --> 00:05:38.380 that they use kerosene for cooking as well.
146 00:05:38.380 --> 00:05:40.203 So, this is also an urban problem.
147 00:05:41.240 --> 00:05:42.900 Traffic and air pollution of course,
148 00:05:42.900 --> 00:05:43.740 is very well known.
149 00:05:43.740 --> 00:05:47.220 And I think there's a stereotype that in cities
in India,
150 00:05:47.220 --> 00:05:50.910 the traffic burning diesel from buses
151 00:05:50.910 --> 00:05:53.770 and single stroke engines are really the main
cause
152 00:05:53.770 --> 00:05:54.810 of air pollution.
153 00:05:54.810 --> 00:05:55.643 But as I show you,
154 00:05:55.643 --> 00:05:57.680 it's much more complicated than that.
155 00:05:57.680 --> 00:05:58.940 A lot of industry,
156 00:05:58.940 --> 00:06:00.810 as I show the brick kilns over here,
157 00:06:00.810 --> 00:06:05.520 is one primary suspect are also major contrib-
utors.
158 00:06:05.520 --> 00:06:07.223 Of course, power plants as well.
159 00:06:08.090 --> 00:06:11.570 And, very often there are times in the year
160 00:06:11.570 --> 00:06:13.120 when the pollution is particularly bad,
161 00:06:13.120 --> 00:06:14.420 as you can see in these photographs,
162 00:06:14.420 --> 00:06:15.390 in New Delhi.
163 00:06:15.390 --> 00:06:18.330 Because you have burning of agricultural fields
164 00:06:18.330 --> 00:06:21.640 to clear the fields for the next seeding.
165 00:06:21.640 --> 00:06:23.610 That takes place next to winter.
166 00:06:23.610 --> 00:06:25.560 And so they cause very, very high concentra-
tions
167 00:06:25.560 --> 00:06:26.940 of pollution.
168 00:06:26.940 --> 00:06:28.207 And those also,
169 00:06:28.207 --> 00:06:30.500 are a little bit misleading because they are
concentrated
170 00:06:30.500 --> 00:06:31.810 in a week or two.
171 00:06:31.810 --> 00:06:32.643 And, you know what?

172 00:06:32.643 --> 00:06:34.060 If you look at average air pollution over the year,
173 00:06:34.060 --> 00:06:37.040 they tend to be many other sources that dominate
174 00:06:37.040 --> 00:06:38.790 the agricultural emissions as well.
175 00:06:42.130 --> 00:06:43.780 So, it's known that globally,
176 00:06:43.780 --> 00:06:47.830 all of these sources contribute to air pollution at PM2.5.
177 00:06:47.830 --> 00:06:49.530 But, in different parts of the world,
178 00:06:49.530 --> 00:06:51.630 different sources dominate.
179 00:06:51.630 --> 00:06:52.920 So in the U.S. for example,
180 00:06:52.920 --> 00:06:55.613 power plants and traffic dominate.
181 00:06:56.560 --> 00:06:58.280 But in Northern Africa,
182 00:06:58.280 --> 00:07:03.020 of course, the dust from the desert as a major contributor.
183 00:07:03.020 --> 00:07:05.930 I didn't mention in the previous slide that natural sources
184 00:07:05.930 --> 00:07:08.400 are a very significant contributor as well.
185 00:07:08.400 --> 00:07:10.210 Including dust that's often picked up
186 00:07:10.210 --> 00:07:12.540 from construction work as well.
187 00:07:12.540 --> 00:07:15.540 We'll see how that plays a role in India as well.
188 00:07:15.540 --> 00:07:18.890 And as you can see on the chart here in South Asia,
189 00:07:18.890 --> 00:07:21.630 cookstoves are known to be the largest single source
190 00:07:21.630 --> 00:07:22.553 and contributor.
191 00:07:23.640 --> 00:07:25.780 But this is perhaps I think to the neglect
192 00:07:25.780 --> 00:07:27.580 of many other contributors.
193 00:07:27.580 --> 00:07:30.463 And that's what I wanna focus on in this talk.
194 00:07:31.976 --> 00:07:32.809 (wind whooshing)
195 00:07:32.809 --> 00:07:33.820 (table creaking)
196 00:07:33.820 --> 00:07:35.190 The air pollution levels in cities,

197 00:07:35.190 --> 00:07:40.190 even average annual mean levels are astounding in cities

198 00:07:40.670 --> 00:07:41.820 across India.

199 00:07:41.820 --> 00:07:45.290 Not just the metropolitans like New Delhi and Mumbai.

200 00:07:45.290 --> 00:07:48.010 You're looking at smaller-medium sized cities

201 00:07:48.010 --> 00:07:50.400 that are in the range of one to 5 million as well.

202 00:07:50.400 --> 00:07:51.540 All of which,

203 00:07:51.540 --> 00:07:55.441 have mean concentration levels that not only exceed

204 00:07:55.441 --> 00:07:58.920 the WHO's guidelines of 10 micrograms per meter cube,

205 00:07:58.920 --> 00:08:03.520 but exceed the National Ambient Air Quality Standards

206 00:08:03.520 --> 00:08:05.103 as well, of 40.

207 00:08:06.060 --> 00:08:08.830 And, so the average over the year being so high,

208 00:08:08.830 --> 00:08:10.730 it tells you that in particular times of the year,

209 00:08:10.730 --> 00:08:12.280 this is even more than that,

210 00:08:12.280 --> 00:08:16.290 up to 300, 400 in certain times of the year as well.

211 00:08:16.290 --> 00:08:18.380 So, this is a serious problem,

212 00:08:18.380 --> 00:08:20.150 and this is only urban.

213 00:08:20.150 --> 00:08:21.910 The focus on rural areas tends to be,

214 00:08:21.910 --> 00:08:22.743 like I said,

215 00:08:22.743 --> 00:08:24.570 indoor air pollution from cookstoves.

216 00:08:24.570 --> 00:08:25.910 But as we'll see in the study,

217 00:08:25.910 --> 00:08:30.080 that there are also serious health risks to rural folks

218 00:08:30.080 --> 00:08:31.513 from air pollution as well.

219 00:08:33.070 --> 00:08:34.930 I wanted to briefly mention the New Delhi study,

220 00:08:34.930 --> 00:08:36.150 'cause I think it was insightful

221 00:08:36.150 --> 00:08:39.330 in terms of revealing the different sources of pollution.

222 00:08:39.330 --> 00:08:41.380 This is a study that was done by the air pollution group

223 00:08:41.380 --> 00:08:43.870 at IIASA using the GAINS Model.

224 00:08:43.870 --> 00:08:47.350 And, it shows that if you look at the different causes

225 00:08:47.350 --> 00:08:48.850 of air pollution in New Delhi;

226 00:08:49.760 --> 00:08:53.860 that it's a mix of sources that really,

227 00:08:53.860 --> 00:08:56.090 all of these sources contribute a fair amount.

228 00:08:56.090 --> 00:09:01.090 So, even dust from kicked up by construction work

229 00:09:02.020 --> 00:09:04.263 and by traffic is a significant component.

230 00:09:05.360 --> 00:09:09.140 Burning of bodies and fireworks are a significant component.

231 00:09:09.140 --> 00:09:11.970 Trash burning is extremely important.

232 00:09:11.970 --> 00:09:13.010 Residential cookstoves,

233 00:09:13.010 --> 00:09:16.923 even within and around New Delhi are a significant.

234 00:09:18.080 --> 00:09:19.332 And I said,

235 00:09:19.332 --> 00:09:22.420 this also includes kerosine and not just solid fuels.

236 00:09:22.420 --> 00:09:24.063 Power plants to a small extent.

237 00:09:24.930 --> 00:09:26.420 And a lot from agriculture,

238 00:09:26.420 --> 00:09:28.500 that is in the neighboring regions around Delhi.

239 00:09:28.500 --> 00:09:32.280 A lot of the pollution is from secondary inorganic PM.

240 00:09:32.280 --> 00:09:34.380 And then, this agricultural waste burning,

241 00:09:34.380 --> 00:09:35.213 as I mentioned,

242 00:09:35.213 --> 00:09:36.660 is just a small component.

243 00:09:36.660 --> 00:09:38.950 So really, if you look at all these sources,

244 00:09:38.950 --> 00:09:41.710 over 60% of air pollution in Delhi

245 00:09:41.710 --> 00:09:45.330 is from sources outside of the city center itself.

246 00:09:45.330 --> 00:09:47.710 And that's why it's really important to look at

247 00:09:47.710 --> 00:09:49.913 flows of air pollution across the country.

248 00:09:53.120 --> 00:09:55.220 Let me just give a brief overview of the literature,

249 00:09:55.220 --> 00:09:57.640 especially with relation to environmental justice.

250 00:09:57.640 --> 00:10:00.060 Because there has been a growing number of studies

251 00:10:00.060 --> 00:10:01.670 recently across the world,

252 00:10:01.670 --> 00:10:03.170 that try to understand this,

253 00:10:03.170 --> 00:10:07.630 the idea of our people facing a disproportionate exposure

254 00:10:07.630 --> 00:10:09.000 to air pollution.

255 00:10:09.000 --> 00:10:10.740 And so, we know that people who have studied

256 00:10:10.740 --> 00:10:11.590 health inequality,

257 00:10:11.590 --> 00:10:15.010 find that air pollution is a cause of health inequality

258 00:10:16.033 --> 00:10:18.623 in developing countries, by and large.

259 00:10:19.676 --> 00:10:22.100 And we find that at a global scale.

260 00:10:22.100 --> 00:10:24.950 And those health inequalities also have been associated

261 00:10:24.950 --> 00:10:27.780 with socioeconomic disparities.

262 00:10:27.780 --> 00:10:30.260 So, people of higher income levels

263 00:10:30.260 --> 00:10:33.320 suffer less health impacts from air pollution,

264 00:10:33.320 --> 00:10:34.820 than lower income levels.

265 00:10:34.820 --> 00:10:37.520 And this seems to hold in a lot of parts of the world,

266 00:10:37.520 --> 00:10:38.810 even in Europe.

267 00:10:38.810 --> 00:10:41.803 So, this is not just a developing country phenomenon.

268 00:10:42.964 --> 00:10:44.460 There are some exceptions such as in France,

269 00:10:44.460 --> 00:10:46.230 certain parts of Paris.

270 00:10:46.230 --> 00:10:47.063 You have rich neighborhoods

271 00:10:47.063 --> 00:10:48.650 that also have very high concentrations.

272 00:10:48.650 --> 00:10:49.483 But by and large,

273 00:10:49.483 --> 00:10:53.580 there seems to be a growing environmental justice concern

274 00:10:53.580 --> 00:10:55.500 about the relationship between air pollution,

275 00:10:55.500 --> 00:10:58.763 health inequality and socioeconomic inequality.

276 00:10:59.930 --> 00:11:02.230 We've seen this also in terms of international trade,

277 00:11:02.230 --> 00:11:06.760 that if you think about the air pollution that's exported,

278 00:11:06.760 --> 00:11:10.552 by importing products from countries

279 00:11:10.552 --> 00:11:12.500 where the air pollution impacts are felt.

280 00:11:12.500 --> 00:11:15.290 That also, is an important consideration.

281 00:11:15.290 --> 00:11:16.960 And China in particular,

282 00:11:16.960 --> 00:11:18.080 falls in that category

283 00:11:18.080 --> 00:11:21.260 because they provide the manufacturing capacity

284 00:11:21.260 --> 00:11:25.363 for large part of international consumption, by and large.

285 00:11:26.730 --> 00:11:28.140 There's only one study that I know of,

286 00:11:28.140 --> 00:11:30.220 that's the precedent for the one that I'm talking about.

287 00:11:30.220 --> 00:11:32.400 Which is a study in the U.S.

288 00:11:32.400 --> 00:11:35.180 that has actually looked at inequity in the consumption

289 00:11:35.180 --> 00:11:36.770 of goods and services.

290 00:11:36.770 --> 00:11:39.030 And found that there is a racial and ethnic dimension

291 00:11:39.030 --> 00:11:42.660 to the disparity in air pollution exposure.

292 00:11:42.660 --> 00:11:44.820 But this study also only goes so far

293 00:11:44.820 --> 00:11:46.750 as to look at consumption

294 00:11:46.750 --> 00:11:49.230 in relation to air pollution exposure

295 00:11:49.230 --> 00:11:51.730 for different household groups across the country.

296 00:11:52.770 --> 00:11:53.603 In our study,

297 00:11:53.603 --> 00:11:54.436 what we do is,

298 00:11:54.436 --> 00:11:56.680 we go further and look at mortality impacts.

299 00:11:56.680 --> 00:11:59.710 That is, we factor in the differential vulnerability

300 00:11:59.710 --> 00:12:02.420 of people to exposure,

301 00:12:02.420 --> 00:12:04.810 due in part to the different income levels.

302 00:12:04.810 --> 00:12:07.700 Which provide them with the ability to adapt

303 00:12:07.700 --> 00:12:10.400 or avoid different levels of air pollution.

304 00:12:10.400 --> 00:12:12.060 So, that's the unique aspect of the study

305 00:12:12.060 --> 00:12:14.610 that I'm gonna show you.

306 00:12:14.610 --> 00:12:16.740 Which is really looking all the way from consumption

307 00:12:16.740 --> 00:12:17.573 and sources,

308 00:12:17.573 --> 00:12:19.603 down to mortality risk.

309 00:12:22.247 --> 00:12:24.690 (table creaking)

310 00:12:24.690 --> 00:12:25.600 So, the question we asked,

311 00:12:25.600 --> 00:12:27.870 is can we attribute pollution sources to households

312 00:12:27.870 --> 00:12:29.570 through their consumption patterns?

313 00:12:29.570 --> 00:12:33.370 So the first challenges that the GAINS Model,

314 00:12:33.370 --> 00:12:34.220 The Air Pollution Model,

315 00:12:34.220 --> 00:12:37.930 know air pollution sources in terms of sectors.

316 00:12:37.930 --> 00:12:39.900 So, different industrial sectors,

317 00:12:39.900 --> 00:12:42.530 the transport sector, the household sector.

318 00:12:42.530 --> 00:12:45.410 But, how can we take that back,

319 00:12:45.410 --> 00:12:48.310 trace it back further to different household groups

320 00:12:48.310 --> 00:12:49.920 and their consumption patterns?

321 00:12:49.920 --> 00:12:52.380 So, now we need to understand and trace

322 00:12:52.380 --> 00:12:55.360 the different products and services from the sectors

323 00:12:55.360 --> 00:12:56.910 back to households.

324 00:12:56.910 --> 00:13:00.760 So that was one big challenge that I wanted to address.

325 00:13:00.760 --> 00:13:03.260 And that was one of the bridges that we wanted to build

326 00:13:03.260 --> 00:13:06.340 between the air pollution group and the energy group.

327 00:13:06.340 --> 00:13:07.940 And the second is that,

328 00:13:07.940 --> 00:13:09.890 Can we incorporate households vulnerability

329 00:13:09.890 --> 00:13:11.850 in translating exposure to mortality?

330 00:13:11.850 --> 00:13:16.230 'Cause we also wanted to account for the effect of income.

331 00:13:16.230 --> 00:13:18.150 Here we didn't have a lot of empirical evidence,

332 00:13:18.150 --> 00:13:21.910 but we did apply one paper that had some quantification

333 00:13:21.910 --> 00:13:24.210 of the role of income,

334 00:13:24.210 --> 00:13:26.130 but this was at a national scale.

335 00:13:26.130 --> 00:13:28.880 But we applied that to households across India as well.

336 00:13:30.775 --> 00:13:32.850 So, putting those books together,

337 00:13:32.850 --> 00:13:35.810 we found that it would be useful to organize households

338 00:13:35.810 --> 00:13:37.550 in terms of the income level;

339 00:13:37.550 --> 00:13:41.070 because the income level defines both consumption patterns,

340 00:13:41.070 --> 00:13:43.030 which we can then relate to industry.

341 00:13:43.030 --> 00:13:45.110 And income levels define also vulnerability.

342 00:13:45.110 --> 00:13:45.943 And so that would fall,

343 00:13:45.943 --> 00:13:47.670 it was a good organizing principle,

344 00:13:47.670 --> 00:13:49.490 in order to look at households

345 00:13:49.490 --> 00:13:52.370 and the both sides of the pollution equation.

346 00:13:52.370 --> 00:13:53.700 And so that's what we did.

347 00:13:53.700 --> 00:13:57.260 We looked at household deciles across the country.

348 00:13:57.260 --> 00:14:00.320 So, here is the complex modeling environment.

349 00:14:00.320 --> 00:14:03.263 And I wanted to spend a little time going through this.

350 00:14:04.590 --> 00:14:05.960 So, if I start on the impact side,

351 00:14:05.960 --> 00:14:08.693 which I think most of you might be better,

352 00:14:09.540 --> 00:14:11.260 more well versed than I am.

353 00:14:11.260 --> 00:14:13.713 So, this is not my primary expertise.

354 00:14:14.750 --> 00:14:17.140 So, we looked at mortality by the decile.

355 00:14:17.140 --> 00:14:19.850 And the main innovation was to apply

356 00:14:19.850 --> 00:14:21.310 this vulnerability by decile.

357 00:14:21.310 --> 00:14:22.143 As I mentioned,

358 00:14:23.141 --> 00:14:25.640 higher income groups have lower vulnerability.

359 00:14:25.640 --> 00:14:30.640 And then we used standard concentration response functions

360 00:14:31.540 --> 00:14:36.130 using spatially explicit PM2.5 concentrations,

361 00:14:36.130 --> 00:14:37.520 the grid level.

362 00:14:37.520 --> 00:14:41.463 And then exposure by age, sex and location;

363 00:14:42.590 --> 00:14:43.730 urban or rural,

364 00:14:43.730 --> 00:14:44.913 and by state.

365 00:14:45.920 --> 00:14:48.710 In order to determine the mortality

366 00:14:48.710 --> 00:14:51.200 associated with a given concentration

367 00:14:51.200 --> 00:14:54.050 at different geographic parts of the country.

368 00:14:54.050 --> 00:14:57.170 Now, what was important here is the caveat;

369 00:14:57.170 --> 00:14:58.570 which is that,

370 00:14:58.570 --> 00:15:01.030 while we know the distribution of income

371 00:15:01.030 --> 00:15:02.900 across states in India,

372 00:15:02.900 --> 00:15:05.580 the surveys don't give us a reliable enough estimate

373 00:15:05.580 --> 00:15:08.060 of the distribution of income within a state,

374 00:15:08.060 --> 00:15:10.360 except urban and rural.

375 00:15:10.360 --> 00:15:13.310 So, how are the different income deciles distributed

376 00:15:13.310 --> 00:15:15.550 within rural India,

377 00:15:15.550 --> 00:15:16.610 in a particular state?

378 00:15:16.610 --> 00:15:17.510 We don't quite know.

379 00:15:17.510 --> 00:15:18.350 So what that meant,

380 00:15:18.350 --> 00:15:22.550 is all rural residents in any given state

381 00:15:22.550 --> 00:15:24.470 had the same exposure.

382 00:15:24.470 --> 00:15:27.050 We can't differentiate exposure based on income level

383 00:15:27.050 --> 00:15:30.540 within urban-rural regions within a state.

384 00:15:30.540 --> 00:15:32.910 However, we do have differential exposures

385 00:15:32.910 --> 00:15:35.940 in different states in urban and rural areas,

386 00:15:35.940 --> 00:15:37.210 based on a number of factors;

387 00:15:37.210 --> 00:15:39.930 including where pollution sources are located.

388 00:15:39.930 --> 00:15:41.440 How income is distributed, et cetera.

389 00:15:41.440 --> 00:15:44.143 As I'll mention a little bit more later.

390 00:15:45.290 --> 00:15:46.470 On the contribution side,

391 00:15:46.470 --> 00:15:49.480 the contribution pathway was where we needed an innovation

392 00:15:49.480 --> 00:15:53.290 to link the household survey and consumption by decile

393 00:15:55.192 --> 00:15:57.790 to the final sectors,

394 00:15:57.790 --> 00:15:59.770 which the GAINS Air Pollution understands.

395 00:15:59.770 --> 00:16:02.930 So, let me just spend a minute on this intermediate section.

396 00:16:02.930 --> 00:16:04.970 The three sources of pollution

397 00:16:04.970 --> 00:16:06.230 from a consumption perspective.

398 00:16:06.230 --> 00:16:08.510 There's the direct use by fuels.

399 00:16:08.510 --> 00:16:12.470 So, that's cookstoves and heating fuels

400 00:16:12.470 --> 00:16:14.100 that are burned directly in the household,

401 00:16:14.100 --> 00:16:15.680 As our scope one.

402 00:16:15.680 --> 00:16:18.150 Emissions from the IPCC's language.

403 00:16:18.150 --> 00:16:21.470 And there's transport and electricity is also use fuels

404 00:16:21.470 --> 00:16:24.040 and household expenditure on fuels.

405 00:16:24.040 --> 00:16:27.330 The fuels being gasoline, diesel and electricity.

406 00:16:27.330 --> 00:16:28.770 But the emissions are elsewhere.

407 00:16:28.770 --> 00:16:31.186 So, that's scope two emissions.

408 00:16:31.186 --> 00:16:32.019 And then the third,

409 00:16:32.019 --> 00:16:34.310 is where the consumed goods and services

410 00:16:35.480 --> 00:16:39.710 and lead our trigger air pollution through the manufacturing

411 00:16:39.710 --> 00:16:41.830 of those products and services.

412 00:16:41.830 --> 00:16:46.330 And so, that's where we use extended input-output analysis.

413 00:16:46.330 --> 00:16:48.330 A multi-regional in-product put analysis

414 00:16:48.330 --> 00:16:50.140 that ultimately counts for trade.

415 00:16:50.140 --> 00:16:53.120 To be able to link household survey products

416 00:16:53.120 --> 00:16:55.550 to industry sectors.

417 00:16:55.550 --> 00:16:59.180 Now, this mechanism I had already developed

418 00:16:59.180 --> 00:17:00.460 in my own research.

419 00:17:00.460 --> 00:17:02.510 That is, to be able to do household footprinting

420 00:17:02.510 --> 00:17:05.710 of energy use for different products.

421 00:17:05.710 --> 00:17:07.390 But what we had to do was to extend this,

422 00:17:07.390 --> 00:17:10.840 to create BM2.5 satellite matrix.

423 00:17:10.840 --> 00:17:13.380 And the satellite matrix that we had to map

424 00:17:13.380 --> 00:17:16.960 are input-output sectors directly to the sectors in GAINS.

425 00:17:16.960 --> 00:17:20.380 And that was one of the bridges that we had to build.

426 00:17:20.380 --> 00:17:21.650 And with that,

427 00:17:21.650 --> 00:17:23.370 we were then were able to create

428 00:17:25.078 --> 00:17:28.733 a population weighted national, PM2.5 concentrations,
429 00:17:29.970 --> 00:17:31.660 based on all of the sectors.
430 00:17:31.660 --> 00:17:35.080 But then attribute that to deciles,
431 00:17:35.080 --> 00:17:36.823 income deciles in the country.
432 00:17:38.110 --> 00:17:41.470 Based on the basket of goods and services
433 00:17:41.470 --> 00:17:43.830 that each decile consumed.
434 00:17:43.830 --> 00:17:44.663 So, as you can imagine,
435 00:17:44.663 --> 00:17:47.580 lower income groups tend to consume less stuff,
436 00:17:47.580 --> 00:17:50.770 but they're using a lot more direct fuel.
437 00:17:50.770 --> 00:17:52.170 Whereas higher income groups
438 00:17:52.170 --> 00:17:54.240 don't use any direct fuel at all.
439 00:17:54.240 --> 00:17:56.120 They use electricity.
440 00:17:56.120 --> 00:17:57.570 And of course, they drive cars,
441 00:17:57.570 --> 00:17:59.320 but they consume a lot of stuff.
442 00:17:59.320 --> 00:18:01.230 And so, that's how we wanna kind of see
443 00:18:01.230 --> 00:18:03.180 how they play out in terms of the net effect
444 00:18:03.180 --> 00:18:05.480 of air pollution from these different sources.
445 00:18:07.580 --> 00:18:10.200 Just a quick deep dive for the GAINS Model.
446 00:18:10.200 --> 00:18:12.500 Again, I think a lot of you are familiar with this.
447 00:18:12.500 --> 00:18:14.600 They have a very detailed representation
448 00:18:14.600 --> 00:18:17.710 of point sources of pollution across the country.
449 00:18:17.710 --> 00:18:20.220 Including a spatial representation
450 00:18:20.220 --> 00:18:22.020 from all the sectors in the economy.
451 00:18:22.990 --> 00:18:24.603 Industry transport households.
452 00:18:25.900 --> 00:18:28.380 And they also model end-of-pipe solutions
453 00:18:28.380 --> 00:18:30.080 for all of these different sources;
454 00:18:30.080 --> 00:18:32.700 pollution control, their different costs.
455 00:18:32.700 --> 00:18:34.630 The greenhouse gas emission applications as well,

456 00:18:34.630 --> 00:18:38.240 and a set of different air pollutants.
457 00:18:38.240 --> 00:18:41.760 And they have the ability to define scenarios,
458 00:18:41.760 --> 00:18:43.750 scenarios of control technologies,
459 00:18:43.750 --> 00:18:46.220 applied to different activities in the economy.
460 00:18:46.220 --> 00:18:47.860 And based on the emissions factors
461 00:18:47.860 --> 00:18:49.990 and links to a dispersion,
462 00:18:49.990 --> 00:18:52.010 atmospheric dispersion model.
463 00:18:52.010 --> 00:18:54.370 You can see the effects of controls
464 00:18:54.370 --> 00:18:57.060 on pollution concentrations in different parts
465 00:18:57.060 --> 00:18:57.893 of the country.
466 00:18:59.150 --> 00:19:01.240 And then, look at the effects on mortality
467 00:19:01.240 --> 00:19:02.940 using standard dose response functions
468 00:19:02.940 --> 00:19:04.970 from the Global Burden of Disease.
469 00:19:04.970 --> 00:19:09.550 And then, you could iterate in order to deter-
mine
470 00:19:09.550 --> 00:19:11.350 if we had to limit the number
471 00:19:11.350 --> 00:19:14.150 of the extent of health impacts.
472 00:19:14.150 --> 00:19:17.410 What scenarios of pollution control could
bring us there?
473 00:19:17.410 --> 00:19:21.030 So, we will be utilizing some of this scenario
technology
474 00:19:21.030 --> 00:19:22.273 in this study as well.
475 00:19:26.810 --> 00:19:28.010 So, the direct sources,
476 00:19:28.010 --> 00:19:29.230 as I mentioned.
477 00:19:29.230 --> 00:19:33.180 It was important to understand what house-
holds
478 00:19:33.180 --> 00:19:34.560 use what kind of cooking fuels.
479 00:19:34.560 --> 00:19:37.423 Now, we have this data from household sur-
veys.
480 00:19:38.310 --> 00:19:40.890 So, we have an understanding of the demand
curves,
481 00:19:40.890 --> 00:19:42.266 if you will,

482 00:19:42.266 --> 00:19:44.450 for different types of households in urban and rural areas,

483 00:19:44.450 --> 00:19:46.123 and off different income levels.

484 00:19:47.136 --> 00:19:50.640 And understanding at what price point they would switch

485 00:19:50.640 --> 00:19:53.490 from gas back to biomass, for example.

486 00:19:53.490 --> 00:19:56.570 So, we have a detailed understanding of what households use

487 00:19:56.570 --> 00:19:57.773 what kind of fuels.

488 00:19:59.710 --> 00:20:01.010 But we had to do a little bit of work

489 00:20:01.010 --> 00:20:04.500 to understand the travel modes for different households,

490 00:20:04.500 --> 00:20:06.330 at different income levels.

491 00:20:06.330 --> 00:20:08.020 Who travels by bus and by rail?

492 00:20:08.020 --> 00:20:09.310 And who has a car?

493 00:20:09.310 --> 00:20:13.530 In order to determine the indirect impact of air pollution

494 00:20:13.530 --> 00:20:16.433 through the transport means of the vehicles that they use.

495 00:20:17.960 --> 00:20:19.210 And the same with electricity,

496 00:20:19.210 --> 00:20:22.490 depending upon how much electricity households use.

497 00:20:22.490 --> 00:20:26.930 The power plant in GAINS would tell us the extent to which

498 00:20:26.930 --> 00:20:28.630 they cause air pollution in power plants,

499 00:20:28.630 --> 00:20:30.640 through their use of appliances

500 00:20:30.640 --> 00:20:32.883 and electronic gadgets at home.

501 00:20:33.900 --> 00:20:37.490 So, that was the two main direct sources.

502 00:20:37.490 --> 00:20:38.590 The scope one and scope two,

503 00:20:38.590 --> 00:20:39.860 as I mentioned.

504 00:20:39.860 --> 00:20:40.860 And then the scope three,

505 00:20:40.860 --> 00:20:43.770 is this household footprinting technique.

506 00:20:43.770 --> 00:20:47.070 Which is a very large number crunching exercise.

507 00:20:47.070 --> 00:20:50.670 Where you have to link household consumption surveys

508 00:20:50.670 --> 00:20:54.380 and map them into a certain industry standard category

509 00:20:54.380 --> 00:20:56.193 called COICOP used in Europe.

510 00:20:57.330 --> 00:21:00.320 And match them to the sectors in the industry

511 00:21:00.320 --> 00:21:02.540 and put output database,

512 00:21:02.540 --> 00:21:05.710 match prices and other fun stuff,

513 00:21:05.710 --> 00:21:08.130 that allows you to create a total embodied energy

514 00:21:08.130 --> 00:21:10.490 that's induced by every unit of consumption

515 00:21:10.490 --> 00:21:12.380 from different products and services.

516 00:21:12.380 --> 00:21:13.806 So like I said,

517 00:21:13.806 --> 00:21:17.440 this is a methodology we'd already developed before.

518 00:21:17.440 --> 00:21:19.720 And the idea was just to link this

519 00:21:19.720 --> 00:21:21.070 to the air pollution model.

520 00:21:23.000 --> 00:21:24.350 One last thing on methodology,

521 00:21:24.350 --> 00:21:26.860 just to provide some sense of the results.

522 00:21:26.860 --> 00:21:28.260 This is a slightly old,

523 00:21:28.260 --> 00:21:31.270 but illustrative graph of the average air pollution

524 00:21:31.270 --> 00:21:32.800 across the country.

525 00:21:32.800 --> 00:21:33.810 And the point is,

526 00:21:33.810 --> 00:21:35.343 that location doesn't matter.

527 00:21:37.290 --> 00:21:40.140 You're seeing here that the average concentrations in India

528 00:21:40.140 --> 00:21:43.400 tend to increase as you go northward.

529 00:21:43.400 --> 00:21:46.763 And this is because of temperature inversions, by and large.

530 00:21:48.741 --> 00:21:51.170 And also because there is a very high concentration

531 00:21:51.170 --> 00:21:53.530 of polluting power plants.

532 00:21:53.530 --> 00:21:56.320 So, mainly the coal belt is largely in the north

533 00:21:56.320 --> 00:21:57.680 and the Northeast.

534 00:21:57.680 --> 00:21:59.780 And so, the combination of those make it unlikely

535 00:21:59.780 --> 00:22:01.500 for people who live in the north.

536 00:22:01.500 --> 00:22:02.333 And so they,

537 00:22:02.333 --> 00:22:04.200 you can imagine that the distribution of people,

538 00:22:04.200 --> 00:22:07.930 if it's the extent to which people are rural and poor,

539 00:22:07.930 --> 00:22:09.330 and live in the north,

540 00:22:09.330 --> 00:22:11.210 they would face a higher level of pollution,

541 00:22:11.210 --> 00:22:12.900 all as equal.

542 00:22:12.900 --> 00:22:15.240 You also can see that the urban centers,

543 00:22:15.240 --> 00:22:17.320 the little dots spread across the map

544 00:22:17.320 --> 00:22:20.300 are also much higher concentrations of pollution,

545 00:22:20.300 --> 00:22:23.160 because of additional sources of pollution in the cities

546 00:22:23.160 --> 00:22:24.660 and in the urban areas.

547 00:22:24.660 --> 00:22:28.260 And that also tells us that the distribution of population

548 00:22:28.260 --> 00:22:30.093 in different urban areas also,

549 00:22:31.043 --> 00:22:33.515 and their income distribution reflects,

550 00:22:33.515 --> 00:22:36.440 or has an impact on who ultimately faces mortality

551 00:22:36.440 --> 00:22:39.103 from all of these combined sources of air pollution.

552 00:22:41.780 --> 00:22:44.510 We did create this pollution inequity index,

553 00:22:44.510 --> 00:22:47.740 which is mortality risk per unit

554 00:22:47.740 --> 00:22:51.660 of contribution to PM concentrations.

555 00:22:51.660 --> 00:22:52.730 It's a bit of a mouthful.

556 00:22:52.730 --> 00:22:54.580 And perhaps not intuitive.

557 00:22:54.580 --> 00:22:55.760 But the reason why we did that
558 00:22:55.760 --> 00:22:57.650 was we can then compare this index
559 00:22:57.650 --> 00:22:59.160 at different income levels.
560 00:22:59.160 --> 00:23:02.310 In order to look at the relative injustice,
561 00:23:02.310 --> 00:23:03.143 if you will,
562 00:23:03.143 --> 00:23:04.250 for different income groups.
563 00:23:04.250 --> 00:23:06.980 The extent to which they are facing higher
mortality
564 00:23:06.980 --> 00:23:08.490 per unit of their contribution
565 00:23:08.490 --> 00:23:10.910 to the source of that mortality.
566 00:23:10.910 --> 00:23:13.110 So, that's what we used as well
567 00:23:13.110 --> 00:23:15.423 to try and illustrate the extent of inequity.
568 00:23:17.360 --> 00:23:19.360 Okay, so now let me move to the results.
569 00:23:21.030 --> 00:23:24.000 Let me start with discussing the contributions,
570 00:23:24.000 --> 00:23:26.460 without looking at impacts yet.
571 00:23:26.460 --> 00:23:28.520 So, let me start with the leftmost average bar.
572 00:23:28.520 --> 00:23:30.200 This itself was insightful.
573 00:23:30.200 --> 00:23:33.590 So, this is the total average PM concentrations
574 00:23:33.590 --> 00:23:36.290 and their broad source categories.
575 00:23:36.290 --> 00:23:38.550 So, the lowest one is household cooking fuels.
576 00:23:38.550 --> 00:23:42.243 So, this is primarily solid fuel burning.
577 00:23:45.290 --> 00:23:47.570 And this is already something that we learned
new.
578 00:23:47.570 --> 00:23:49.170 So, we generally have the impression
579 00:23:49.170 --> 00:23:53.740 that 30 to 50% of PM_{2.5} in India,
580 00:23:53.740 --> 00:23:55.713 it comes from solid fuel burning.
581 00:23:56.880 --> 00:23:58.320 But if you look at this green bar,
582 00:23:58.320 --> 00:24:01.600 this is including scope two and scope three
emissions.
583 00:24:01.600 --> 00:24:06.050 And, so this household consumption other
than cooking
584 00:24:06.050 --> 00:24:07.520 and heating fuels,

585 00:24:07.520 --> 00:24:11.763 is actually a much higher than cookstoves.

586 00:24:12.970 --> 00:24:14.256 So in fact,

587 00:24:14.256 --> 00:24:15.089 it's about 40 to 60%

588 00:24:15.089 --> 00:24:16.990 just if you look at household consumption.

589 00:24:16.990 --> 00:24:21.090 So overall, the indirect household consumption

590 00:24:21.090 --> 00:24:23.310 actually is causing more overall pollution

591 00:24:23.310 --> 00:24:25.353 than does cookstoves alone.

592 00:24:26.340 --> 00:24:27.230 The other interesting thing,

593 00:24:27.230 --> 00:24:32.000 is to see that these non-household consumption.

594 00:24:32.000 --> 00:24:34.730 So, this is government expenditure

595 00:24:34.730 --> 00:24:37.220 called industrial manufacturing;

596 00:24:37.220 --> 00:24:39.000 things like defense,

597 00:24:39.000 --> 00:24:40.850 as well as capital formation.

598 00:24:40.850 --> 00:24:43.050 That's not included in household consumption,

599 00:24:43.050 --> 00:24:44.413 contributes a fair amount,

600 00:24:45.755 --> 00:24:47.770 of the order for a quarter of total air pollution.

601 00:24:47.770 --> 00:24:49.360 And then a big chunk of air pollution

602 00:24:49.360 --> 00:24:50.680 is from natural sources,

603 00:24:50.680 --> 00:24:52.910 like dust, as well as trans-boundary sources.

604 00:24:52.910 --> 00:24:54.930 So, even from Pakistan, for example.

605 00:24:54.930 --> 00:24:57.650 So, all the solutions that we have got,

606 00:24:57.650 --> 00:24:59.090 that I'm gonna show you in this scenarios

607 00:24:59.090 --> 00:25:02.480 can really only addressed 50 to 60% of air pollution

608 00:25:03.360 --> 00:25:04.480 in the country.

609 00:25:04.480 --> 00:25:06.870 So, there's a limit to which we can reduce mortality

610 00:25:06.870 --> 00:25:08.430 just from this study;

611 00:25:08.430 --> 00:25:11.720 from reducing air pollution from household consumption

612 00:25:11.720 --> 00:25:12.553 in particular.

613 00:25:13.683 --> 00:25:14.516 Now, if you look at the right hand side,

614 00:25:14.516 --> 00:25:16.160 we're showing you by decile

615 00:25:16.160 --> 00:25:18.990 with increasing income moving to the right.

616 00:25:18.990 --> 00:25:21.290 The different sources of air pollution

617 00:25:21.290 --> 00:25:22.660 and their contributions.

618 00:25:22.660 --> 00:25:23.560 So you can,

619 00:25:23.560 --> 00:25:27.580 it's intuitive to know that the lowest income households,

620 00:25:27.580 --> 00:25:30.283 their biggest contributor is cooking and heating.

621 00:25:31.850 --> 00:25:34.490 Whereas if you look at the top decile,

622 00:25:34.490 --> 00:25:37.460 they don't cook with biomass very much.

623 00:25:37.460 --> 00:25:38.940 You still have some biomass use

624 00:25:38.940 --> 00:25:40.480 because there are some rural folks

625 00:25:40.480 --> 00:25:43.463 who still fall into the top decile.

626 00:25:44.560 --> 00:25:47.490 Even though it's dominated by urban residents.

627 00:25:47.490 --> 00:25:49.000 And you see that there's,

628 00:25:49.000 --> 00:25:50.740 electricity usage is significant.

629 00:25:50.740 --> 00:25:52.470 So that's power plant emissions.

630 00:25:52.470 --> 00:25:53.900 And passenger transport,

631 00:25:53.900 --> 00:25:56.990 which is very high because people all own cars over here.

632 00:25:56.990 --> 00:26:01.010 And so their individual per capita emissions have very high.

633 00:26:01.010 --> 00:26:02.210 What was very surprising to us,

634 00:26:02.210 --> 00:26:05.140 is the extent in the contribution of food and food waste.

635 00:26:05.140 --> 00:26:06.850 This is food production.

636 00:26:06.850 --> 00:26:09.883 Things like fertilizer use and nitrous oxide and ammonia.

637 00:26:10.830 --> 00:26:13.360 As well as the fossil use for machinery and transport,

638 00:26:13.360 --> 00:26:14.193 and agriculture,

639 00:26:14.193 --> 00:26:16.470 is all reflected in the light green.

640 00:26:16.470 --> 00:26:19.810 Whereas the dark green is reflecting food waste.

641 00:26:19.810 --> 00:26:22.244 That's the burning of food waste,

642 00:26:22.244 --> 00:26:23.770 and that's thrown out in the open.

643 00:26:23.770 --> 00:26:28.770 As well as the municipal waste burning for incineration.

644 00:26:29.120 --> 00:26:30.970 That's a significant contributor

645 00:26:30.970 --> 00:26:34.490 and we attribute waste to households in proportion

646 00:26:34.490 --> 00:26:35.690 to their consumption of food.

647 00:26:35.690 --> 00:26:37.570 And that's why this is proportionate

648 00:26:37.570 --> 00:26:39.980 to the food related air pollution.

649 00:26:39.980 --> 00:26:41.346 And finally,

650 00:26:41.346 --> 00:26:43.490 the other stuff in terms of products and services;

651 00:26:43.490 --> 00:26:45.010 actually it was surprising to us

652 00:26:45.010 --> 00:26:47.360 to be at a smaller contributor than we thought.

653 00:26:49.620 --> 00:26:51.130 So clearly, there's here a trade-off.

654 00:26:51.130 --> 00:26:54.313 So, low-income households are contributing to air pollution

655 00:26:54.313 --> 00:26:55.420 through their cookstove use.

656 00:26:55.420 --> 00:26:57.220 And high-income households are contributing

657 00:26:57.220 --> 00:26:58.840 through their other indirect use;

658 00:26:58.840 --> 00:27:01.133 food, transport, electricity and other stuff.

659 00:27:03.250 --> 00:27:05.840 Just a quick look at urban and rural differences.

660 00:27:05.840 --> 00:27:07.190 So, if you look per decile.

661 00:27:08.660 --> 00:27:10.510 This is the contribution of urban households

662 00:27:10.510 --> 00:27:12.643 to the deciles in aggregate.

663 00:27:14.016 --> 00:27:15.610 And, clearly you see that the highest deciles
664 00:27:15.610 --> 00:27:18.810 tend to contribute the most from urban areas
665 00:27:18.810 --> 00:27:21.690 because rich people tend to be in urban areas
in India.
666 00:27:21.690 --> 00:27:23.170 That's really what we're showing.
667 00:27:23.170 --> 00:27:24.790 Whereas in rural areas,
668 00:27:24.790 --> 00:27:26.390 you tend to have fewer people contributing
669 00:27:26.390 --> 00:27:27.660 to the higher deciles.
670 00:27:29.020 --> 00:27:30.460 The other thing is to,
671 00:27:30.460 --> 00:27:32.068 if you look at it per capita basis;
672 00:27:32.068 --> 00:27:34.200 so not looking at the aggregate contribution
to deciles.
673 00:27:34.200 --> 00:27:36.471 You notice that in urban areas,
674 00:27:36.471 --> 00:27:37.304 that by and large,
675 00:27:37.304 --> 00:27:38.230 as you go,
676 00:27:38.230 --> 00:27:40.090 as you increase your income level,
677 00:27:40.090 --> 00:27:41.670 your overall contribution to air pollution
678 00:27:41.670 --> 00:27:42.780 isn't increasing very much.
679 00:27:42.780 --> 00:27:46.210 It's really in the highest decile
680 00:27:46.210 --> 00:27:49.220 where you see the biggest change in consump-
tion levels.
681 00:27:49.220 --> 00:27:52.420 And therefore, the biggest impact on air pol-
lution.
682 00:27:52.420 --> 00:27:53.430 Whereas in rural areas,
683 00:27:53.430 --> 00:27:55.960 there's a steady increase in air pollution.
684 00:27:55.960 --> 00:27:59.533 Despite the fact that there is a reduction
685 00:27:59.533 --> 00:28:00.600 in cookstove use.
686 00:28:00.600 --> 00:28:03.920 And, so that tells you that the consumption
is offsetting
687 00:28:03.920 --> 00:28:06.080 the reduction in the air pollution from cook-
stoves.
688 00:28:06.080 --> 00:28:07.890 Even in rural areas,
689 00:28:07.890 --> 00:28:09.973 where cookstove use dominates.

690 00:28:11.370 --> 00:28:13.970 So, now we move a little bit more to the impact side.

691 00:28:13.970 --> 00:28:16.360 So, now we're looking at contributions versus mortality.

692 00:28:16.360 --> 00:28:18.493 If you just focus on the black lines here.

693 00:28:21.502 --> 00:28:22.980 The highest deciles are to the right.

694 00:28:22.980 --> 00:28:25.630 So, the contribution curve is the one sloping upward.

695 00:28:26.773 --> 00:28:28.530 And you see that higher income groups

696 00:28:28.530 --> 00:28:33.500 contribute significantly more to PM concentrations

697 00:28:33.500 --> 00:28:35.290 than do lower income groups;

698 00:28:35.290 --> 00:28:37.520 by a factor of three or so.

699 00:28:37.520 --> 00:28:39.900 And if you look at the dotted black line,

700 00:28:39.900 --> 00:28:42.640 that is showing you the mortality impacts.

701 00:28:42.640 --> 00:28:46.220 So, the lowest income group based on mortality impact

702 00:28:46.220 --> 00:28:49.073 for about 200 premature deaths per a hundred thousand.

703 00:28:50.010 --> 00:28:51.810 This is ambient air pollution alone.

704 00:28:52.955 --> 00:28:55.120 Compared to less than one.

705 00:28:55.120 --> 00:28:57.990 That's a factor of four difference in terms of the mortality

706 00:28:57.990 --> 00:28:59.620 going in the opposite direction.

707 00:28:59.620 --> 00:29:01.040 So you can see here,

708 00:29:01.040 --> 00:29:02.840 this is a kind of headline figure

709 00:29:02.840 --> 00:29:06.740 in terms of the inequity that households are

710 00:29:06.740 --> 00:29:09.930 in low-income decile are contributing so much less,

711 00:29:09.930 --> 00:29:11.353 but facing so much more.

712 00:29:12.856 --> 00:29:13.689 And this is from all different sources.

713 00:29:13.689 --> 00:29:16.000 This is separate from the indoor air pollution

714 00:29:16.000 --> 00:29:17.260 they face from cookstoves.

715 00:29:17.260 --> 00:29:18.860 This is just looking at ambient.
716 00:29:20.562 --> 00:29:21.550 And the blue and the red lines are showing
you
717 00:29:21.550 --> 00:29:26.290 the rural and urban households in particular.
718 00:29:26.290 --> 00:29:28.943 And you'll see that they converge.
719 00:29:31.122 --> 00:29:32.460 So, the rural households are dominating
720 00:29:32.460 --> 00:29:34.062 the low-income households,
721 00:29:34.062 --> 00:29:34.895 and the urban households are dominating
722 00:29:34.895 --> 00:29:35.950 the high-income households,
723 00:29:35.950 --> 00:29:37.370 as I showed you earlier.
724 00:29:41.010 --> 00:29:43.760 (table creaking)
725 00:29:45.679 --> 00:29:47.135 Now, we want you to look and isolate
726 00:29:47.135 --> 00:29:48.964 some of the different sources of pollution.
727 00:29:48.964 --> 00:29:51.140 So, we developed two scenarios.
728 00:29:51.140 --> 00:29:54.300 Which we posed as sort of clean up scenarios.
729 00:29:54.300 --> 00:29:56.820 So, you have the clean cookstoves scenario,
730 00:29:56.820 --> 00:30:00.210 where holding everything else constant.
731 00:30:00.210 --> 00:30:02.812 We switched everybody to clean cookstoves.
732 00:30:02.812 --> 00:30:04.643 Which means either electric cookstoves,
733 00:30:06.115 --> 00:30:07.290 whose power plants were all green.
734 00:30:07.290 --> 00:30:12.290 So, they add literally no emissions from the
stoves.
735 00:30:12.450 --> 00:30:14.680 But we kept everything else constant.
736 00:30:14.680 --> 00:30:16.570 And the other scenario,
737 00:30:16.570 --> 00:30:19.510 we implemented end-of-pipe solutions
738 00:30:19.510 --> 00:30:20.700 on all other sectors,
739 00:30:20.700 --> 00:30:22.063 except cookstoves.
740 00:30:23.400 --> 00:30:26.900 To the maximum extent of available technolo-
gies globally.
741 00:30:26.900 --> 00:30:28.723 So, actually we used Germany.
742 00:30:29.984 --> 00:30:32.571 And, so technology frontier in Germany.
743 00:30:32.571 --> 00:30:33.820 For example, Euro 6 norms for vehicles,

744 00:30:33.820 --> 00:30:35.230 If I remember correctly.

745 00:30:35.230 --> 00:30:37.853 So, very, very stringent controls,

746 00:30:38.740 --> 00:30:41.840 not really considering costs in this particular study

747 00:30:41.840 --> 00:30:43.440 and applied those.

748 00:30:43.440 --> 00:30:45.333 So, what this allowed us to do,

749 00:30:46.889 --> 00:30:49.770 really was to isolate the air pollution impacts

750 00:30:49.770 --> 00:30:53.323 and their distribution from these two sets of sources.

751 00:30:54.352 --> 00:30:55.803 So, in the clean cook source scenario,

752 00:30:55.803 --> 00:30:56.940 when I show you the results in red;

753 00:30:56.940 --> 00:30:59.051 you will see the impact,

754 00:30:59.051 --> 00:31:01.660 the distributional impact of the scope two

755 00:31:01.660 --> 00:31:03.930 and scope three sources.

756 00:31:03.930 --> 00:31:06.570 Which are dominated by higher income groups.

757 00:31:06.570 --> 00:31:08.230 Whereas in the MCO scenario,

758 00:31:08.230 --> 00:31:09.753 which you gonna see in blue;

759 00:31:11.070 --> 00:31:12.390 you're gonna isolate the distributive impact

760 00:31:12.390 --> 00:31:15.313 of dirty cookstoves through ambient air pollution.

761 00:31:17.840 --> 00:31:21.050 So, first I'm showing you what I think is already a pattern

762 00:31:21.050 --> 00:31:21.993 from the previous slides.

763 00:31:21.993 --> 00:31:23.150 Which is this the contributions.

764 00:31:23.150 --> 00:31:28.150 So, their reduction that you get from the clean cookstoves

765 00:31:28.950 --> 00:31:30.260 are shown in red.

766 00:31:30.260 --> 00:31:33.970 And from the end-of-pipe in the rest of the economy in blue.

767 00:31:33.970 --> 00:31:38.480 And you see that the contributions reduce the most

768 00:31:38.480 --> 00:31:40.050 for lower-income groups,

769 00:31:40.050 --> 00:31:41.943 when you impose clean cookstoves.

770 00:31:42.984 --> 00:31:44.010 Which makes sense because they are the higher users

771 00:31:44.010 --> 00:31:46.390 of dirty cookstoves.

772 00:31:46.390 --> 00:31:47.490 And like I mentioned,

773 00:31:47.490 --> 00:31:50.360 the rural households and the rich rural households

774 00:31:50.360 --> 00:31:52.694 still use biomass to some extent.

775 00:31:52.694 --> 00:31:54.470 So, you still have a little bit of that.

776 00:31:54.470 --> 00:31:56.781 But then if you look at the contributions

777 00:31:56.781 --> 00:31:57.623 from the other sectors,

778 00:31:57.623 --> 00:31:59.550 because lower income households don't consume a lot of stuff

779 00:31:59.550 --> 00:32:03.160 in terms of electrical gadgets or they don't have cars.

780 00:32:03.160 --> 00:32:05.223 And they don't consume a lot of stuff.

781 00:32:06.261 --> 00:32:08.240 Their reduction that they face

782 00:32:09.400 --> 00:32:10.923 in terms of contributions,

783 00:32:11.830 --> 00:32:14.420 not face the reductions in their contributions

784 00:32:14.420 --> 00:32:16.210 is lower than the reductions in contributions

785 00:32:16.210 --> 00:32:18.360 for higher income groups who consume a lot.

786 00:32:19.591 --> 00:32:20.424 Now, if we look at the impact side.

787 00:32:20.424 --> 00:32:23.963 This is the key insight in this study.

788 00:32:25.361 --> 00:32:27.630 The avoided mortality from the clean cookstove scenario

789 00:32:27.630 --> 00:32:31.113 is predictably much higher for lower income households.

790 00:32:32.783 --> 00:32:34.810 They're located in areas where there's more cookstove users.

791 00:32:34.810 --> 00:32:36.960 And so, the ambient air quality is much worse

792 00:32:36.960 --> 00:32:38.400 from the cookstoves.

793 00:32:38.400 --> 00:32:39.790 So, that's predictable.

794 00:32:39.790 --> 00:32:41.080 But what was not expected,

795 00:32:41.080 --> 00:32:44.750 is that the contribution from the ambient,
 796 00:32:44.750 --> 00:32:46.190 from the other sources;
 797 00:32:46.190 --> 00:32:48.163 industry, transport, electricity,
 798 00:32:49.402 --> 00:32:50.235 also falls disproportionately
 799 00:32:50.235 --> 00:32:51.860 on these lower income households.
 800 00:32:53.130 --> 00:32:55.762 And that's in contrast to the contribution.
 801 00:32:55.762 --> 00:32:58.522 So this is the impact side,
 802 00:32:58.522 --> 00:32:59.355 and this is the contribution side.
 803 00:32:59.355 --> 00:33:02.060 And you clearly see how the,
 804 00:33:02.060 --> 00:33:05.250 it's the other consumption that is disproportion-
 805 00:33:05.250 --> 00:33:06.690 affecting lower income households
 806 00:33:06.690 --> 00:33:08.163 from ambient air pollution.
 807 00:33:09.183 --> 00:33:11.171 And that is really the main insight from the
 808 00:33:11.171 --> 00:33:12.320 study
 809 00:33:12.320 --> 00:33:13.887 that we were not expecting.
 810 00:33:13.887 --> 00:33:15.770 And as I mentioned,
 811 00:33:15.770 --> 00:33:17.530 this has to do with where points offices are
 812 00:33:17.530 --> 00:33:19.550 located,
 813 00:33:19.550 --> 00:33:23.123 in relation to low-income households.
 814 00:33:23.123 --> 00:33:25.245 It has something to do with the differences
 815 00:33:25.245 --> 00:33:27.345 in urban and rural populations across the
 816 00:33:29.210 --> 00:33:31.533 country.
 817 00:33:33.134 --> 00:33:34.780 As well as this temperature inversion in the
 818 00:33:34.780 --> 00:33:39.640 north.
 819 00:33:40.864 --> 00:33:42.600 All of these contribute to this imbalance.
 820 00:33:42.600 --> 00:33:46.980 If you look at this pollution inequity index,
 821 00:33:46.980 --> 00:33:48.730 it may seem a little counterintuitive.
 But the red dots are showing you the inequity
 in the clean cooking scenario.
 Which means this is the inequity in just the
 other sources.
 And that's why you see here.

822 00:33:48.730 --> 00:33:52.168 The pollution inequity is much higher
823 00:33:52.168 --> 00:33:54.293 in this scenario where you have clean cook-
stoves.
824 00:33:56.279 --> 00:33:57.610 Because the ambient sources of their pollution
825 00:33:57.610 --> 00:33:59.690 are causing higher mortality disproportion-
ately
826 00:33:59.690 --> 00:34:01.110 on lower income groups.
827 00:34:01.110 --> 00:34:04.500 Whereas the pollution inequity index is not
as steep
828 00:34:04.500 --> 00:34:07.170 in the case where you clean up the rest of the
economy
829 00:34:07.170 --> 00:34:08.520 and leave dirty cookstoves.
830 00:34:10.631 --> 00:34:11.464 So, that's really the key,
831 00:34:11.464 --> 00:34:12.297 the point here.
832 00:34:12.297 --> 00:34:15.653 Now, I wanted to make sure that we put it
into context,
833 00:34:16.746 --> 00:34:19.171 mortality associated with ambient,
834 00:34:19.171 --> 00:34:20.741 compared to indoor air pollution.
835 00:34:20.741 --> 00:34:23.019 Because it still remains the case,
836 00:34:23.019 --> 00:34:25.400 that indoor air pollution really is the biggest
problem
837 00:34:25.400 --> 00:34:28.005 in terms of mortality from air pollution.
838 00:34:28.005 --> 00:34:28.838 (creaking sound)
839 00:34:28.838 --> 00:34:29.671 Is the order of magnitude higher deaths
840 00:34:29.671 --> 00:34:32.220 that are caused by indoor air pollution?
841 00:34:32.220 --> 00:34:33.053 As you all know,
842 00:34:33.053 --> 00:34:34.950 the concentration levels are associated
843 00:34:36.504 --> 00:34:38.075 with cookstoves indoor.
844 00:34:38.075 --> 00:34:40.475 We take a 300 micrograms or more per meter
cube.
845 00:34:42.120 --> 00:34:43.669 And so therefore,
846 00:34:43.669 --> 00:34:47.340 if you just look at the overall introduction in
mortality

847 00:34:48.393 --> 00:34:49.897 from clean cookstoves,
848 00:34:49.897 --> 00:34:51.700 accounting also for indoor air pollution.
849 00:34:51.700 --> 00:34:54.630 Of course, you see that the lower income
groups
850 00:34:54.630 --> 00:34:55.743 benefit the most.
851 00:34:56.890 --> 00:34:59.800 But that's really mostly from the indoor air
pollution.
852 00:34:59.800 --> 00:35:04.188 The inequity from the outdoor air pollution
in blue,
853 00:35:04.188 --> 00:35:05.430 you're still seeing as falling disproportionately
854 00:35:05.430 --> 00:35:07.330 on lower income households.
855 00:35:07.330 --> 00:35:09.630 You're just seeing that the in absolute terms,
856 00:35:10.552 --> 00:35:12.940 it's still a lot less than indoor air pollution
857 00:35:12.940 --> 00:35:14.398 related deaths.
858 00:35:14.398 --> 00:35:17.570 So, we wanted to make sure that we're not
saying that
859 00:35:17.570 --> 00:35:19.980 clean cookstoves aren't as important to clean
up,
860 00:35:19.980 --> 00:35:20.920 due to indoor air pollution.
861 00:35:20.920 --> 00:35:23.170 In fact, they still remain the most important
862 00:35:24.260 --> 00:35:25.093 mitigation measure.
863 00:35:27.008 --> 00:35:28.724 So, I just wanted to put that into context.
864 00:35:28.724 --> 00:35:29.557 (button clicking)
865 00:35:29.557 --> 00:35:32.363 So, just to conclude,
866 00:35:33.739 --> 00:35:36.719 the cookstove contributions,
867 00:35:36.719 --> 00:35:38.970 we found some interesting insights.
868 00:35:38.970 --> 00:35:41.300 Namely, that the contribution to ambient air
pollution
869 00:35:41.300 --> 00:35:43.439 is 40% of that,
870 00:35:43.439 --> 00:35:44.272 of the other sources;
871 00:35:44.272 --> 00:35:46.710 that is triggered by household consumption.
872 00:35:46.710 --> 00:35:50.120 And that's ignoring transplant resources, nat-
ural sources,

873 00:35:50.120 --> 00:35:54.467 as well as government related pollution.

874 00:35:54.467 --> 00:35:57.023 As well as capital formation.

875 00:35:58.724 --> 00:36:01.755 So, that itself is an insight that we need to think about

876 00:36:01.755 --> 00:36:03.444 the household contributions to air pollution

877 00:36:03.444 --> 00:36:04.277 from other sources.

878 00:36:05.473 --> 00:36:07.230 We found that lower income households

879 00:36:07.230 --> 00:36:11.540 tend to face a disproportionate mortality risk burden

880 00:36:11.540 --> 00:36:13.571 from ambient air pollution.

881 00:36:13.571 --> 00:36:16.820 And this has to do with the location of point sources

882 00:36:16.820 --> 00:36:18.397 around the country

883 00:36:18.397 --> 00:36:19.870 and the distribution of populations.

884 00:36:19.870 --> 00:36:22.661 But, despite all of that,

885 00:36:22.661 --> 00:36:25.920 really clean cookstoves are an important mitigation measure

886 00:36:25.920 --> 00:36:28.223 because of the impact on indoor air pollution.

887 00:36:29.623 --> 00:36:30.456 But overall,

888 00:36:30.456 --> 00:36:32.423 I think the importance of this study

889 00:36:32.423 --> 00:36:35.320 is really to think about in the broader context,

890 00:36:35.320 --> 00:36:36.190 indoor air pollution-

891 00:36:36.190 --> 00:36:37.023 um, sorry.

892 00:36:38.229 --> 00:36:40.553 consumption as a means of mitigation of air pollution.

893 00:36:41.594 --> 00:36:42.594 There's a growing interest

894 00:36:42.594 --> 00:36:44.192 in the climate mitigation literature

895 00:36:44.192 --> 00:36:45.630 to focus more on demand side options.

896 00:36:45.630 --> 00:36:49.148 And therefore, it's important to think about the co-benefits

897 00:36:49.148 --> 00:36:51.389 from sustainable consumption as well.

898 00:36:51.389 --> 00:36:53.447 And you don't really think about that very much.

899 00:36:53.447 --> 00:36:54.723 But there's a broader theme here.

900 00:36:55.696 --> 00:36:57.326 That we tend to export pollution

901 00:36:57.326 --> 00:36:59.570 associated with our consumption in so many different ways.

902 00:36:59.570 --> 00:37:01.720 Climate change is an obvious one where we export them

903 00:37:01.720 --> 00:37:02.740 to future generations.

904 00:37:02.740 --> 00:37:06.241 And from richer countries to poorer countries.

905 00:37:06.241 --> 00:37:07.610 That's been shown by the IPCC.

906 00:37:07.610 --> 00:37:08.553 Time and again,

907 00:37:09.986 --> 00:37:10.819 we see that with waste, of course.

908 00:37:10.819 --> 00:37:13.140 We export our waste to different countries as well.

909 00:37:13.140 --> 00:37:15.688 But we're also seeing that in terms of air pollution,

910 00:37:15.688 --> 00:37:16.991 more and more,

911 00:37:16.991 --> 00:37:19.853 now across countries and within countries as well.

912 00:37:19.853 --> 00:37:22.723 And so this the main result from this study.

913 00:37:23.785 --> 00:37:24.618 And so lastly,

914 00:37:24.618 --> 00:37:26.647 I wanna point out on the methodological side.

915 00:37:26.647 --> 00:37:27.840 I think that this study is generalizable

916 00:37:27.840 --> 00:37:29.540 in terms of the approach.

917 00:37:29.540 --> 00:37:32.550 This could be applied to really any economy.

918 00:37:32.550 --> 00:37:35.130 If you have the analytical framework

919 00:37:35.130 --> 00:37:37.830 to calculate your footprints.

920 00:37:37.830 --> 00:37:39.915 And you have an air pollution model

921 00:37:39.915 --> 00:37:41.800 with an atmospheric dispersion.

922 00:37:41.800 --> 00:37:43.970 It's possible to do this kind of analysis

923 00:37:43.970 --> 00:37:46.115 and really have any context,

924 00:37:46.115 --> 00:37:47.876 just by replacing the data.

925 00:37:47.876 --> 00:37:49.095 And I think that would be something

926 00:37:49.095 --> 00:37:50.190 that would be useful to do.

927 00:37:50.190 --> 00:37:51.590 As I mentioned,

928 00:37:51.590 --> 00:37:55.105 just to think about sustainable consumption more broadly.

929 00:37:55.105 --> 00:37:56.618 So, thank you for your attention.

930 00:37:56.618 --> 00:37:58.567 And now, I will be joining you live

931 00:37:58.567 --> 00:38:00.537 in order to answer questions that you may have.

932 00:38:00.537 --> 00:38:01.954 Thanks very much.

933 00:38:02.912 --> 00:38:04.810 <v ->Thanks, Dr. Rao,</v>

934 00:38:04.810 --> 00:38:06.450 for this very wonderful talk.

935 00:38:07.767 --> 00:38:09.610 And actually,

936 00:38:09.610 --> 00:38:12.340 all your questions, Dr. Rao

937 00:38:12.340 --> 00:38:13.283 as we seen them.

938 00:38:14.458 --> 00:38:15.800 And, as you may find out.

939 00:38:15.800 --> 00:38:17.837 During his talk,

940 00:38:17.837 --> 00:38:20.319 some of your questions has been already answered.

941 00:38:20.319 --> 00:38:21.646 Like, the DTR zone,

942 00:38:21.646 --> 00:38:23.420 the pollution inequity effects,

943 00:38:23.420 --> 00:38:25.480 or whether his approach could be applied

944 00:38:25.480 --> 00:38:28.670 to other different countries or settings.

945 00:38:28.670 --> 00:38:33.670 But collectively, I think your questions

946 00:38:34.640 --> 00:38:36.340 are falling within the two things.

947 00:38:38.544 --> 00:38:42.180 We can ask Dr. Rao to answer them live.

948 00:38:42.180 --> 00:38:43.040 And in the meantime,

949 00:38:43.040 --> 00:38:44.655 for our,

950 00:38:44.655 --> 00:38:45.922 the other online audiences,

951 00:38:45.922 --> 00:38:47.853 if you do have any questions,

952 00:38:47.853 --> 00:38:50.610 please feel free to post your questions in the chat box

953 00:38:50.610 --> 00:38:54.873 and we will do the Q & A as well.

954 00:38:56.294 --> 00:38:57.127 So, Dr. Rao,
 955 00:38:59.610 --> 00:39:00.910 if you,
 956 00:39:00.910 --> 00:39:02.157 I see you here.
 957 00:39:02.157 --> 00:39:04.563 So, if you can unmute yourself,
 958 00:39:05.506 --> 00:39:09.053 then maybe we can start the Q & A
 section.
 959 00:39:11.253 --> 00:39:12.086 <v ->Sure. Hi.</v>
 960 00:39:12.086 --> 00:39:13.673 I hope you can hear me okay?
 961 00:39:13.673 --> 00:39:15.107 <v ->Yeah, we hear you very well.</v> <v
 Dr. Rao>Great.</v>
 962 00:39:15.107 --> 00:39:19.210 <v ->Thanks for joining us this way on the
 (indistinct)</v>
 963 00:39:19.210 --> 00:39:24.073 So, I think before the whole audience can ask
 questions,
 964 00:39:25.488 --> 00:39:28.239 we can first start with the students,
 965 00:39:28.239 --> 00:39:29.700 the questions they have.
 966 00:39:29.700 --> 00:39:31.033 The first type of questions,
 967 00:39:32.011 --> 00:39:34.790 is generally about relationship between air
 pollution
 968 00:39:34.790 --> 00:39:37.473 in the country and some of the detailed ques-
 tions,
 969 00:39:38.388 --> 00:39:39.221 for example,
 970 00:39:39.221 --> 00:39:40.263 students are wondering,
 971 00:39:41.239 --> 00:39:45.470 what's the link between the global versus local
 actions?
 972 00:39:45.470 --> 00:39:47.293 And among the different countries;
 973 00:39:48.239 --> 00:39:52.400 Do development rise play in a role in deter-
 mining
 974 00:39:52.400 --> 00:39:55.750 the inequity in the air pollution exposure.
 975 00:39:55.750 --> 00:40:00.140 And also, in terms of the content of impact.
 976 00:40:00.140 --> 00:40:02.660 Data that also recent COP26,
 977 00:40:02.660 --> 00:40:05.510 address those issues indirectly
 978 00:40:06.652 --> 00:40:08.253 or maybe completely ignore them.

979 00:40:09.349 --> 00:40:11.063 So, Dr. Rao?

980 00:40:12.652 --> 00:40:15.748 <v ->Yeah, that's a very interesting set of questions</v>

981 00:40:15.748 --> 00:40:17.230 around the link between climate change and air pollution.

982 00:40:17.230 --> 00:40:18.573 And kind of a global,

983 00:40:20.450 --> 00:40:23.589 the global imperatives versus the local imperatives

984 00:40:23.589 --> 00:40:24.533 of feeding up air pollution.

985 00:40:25.441 --> 00:40:26.274 What's interesting about the cookstoves,

986 00:40:26.274 --> 00:40:29.410 is that the biomass cookstoves

987 00:40:29.410 --> 00:40:32.891 have a lot of their own emissions;

988 00:40:32.891 --> 00:40:35.091 short-term forces that cause climate change.

989 00:40:36.092 --> 00:40:37.950 And they're extremely inefficient.

990 00:40:37.950 --> 00:40:40.788 So, when we switch over to even gas-based stoves

991 00:40:40.788 --> 00:40:42.440 or LPG stoves;

992 00:40:42.440 --> 00:40:46.840 even though gas is produced in fossil resources

993 00:40:46.840 --> 00:40:48.363 and causes CO2 emissions.

994 00:40:49.540 --> 00:40:51.699 The net effect on climate is actually almost negligible.

995 00:40:51.699 --> 00:40:53.960 Because the efficiency of gas stoves is so much higher

996 00:40:53.960 --> 00:40:57.920 and you avoid all of the other short-term climate forces.

997 00:40:57.920 --> 00:41:00.430 The net effect is almost negligible.

998 00:41:00.430 --> 00:41:01.611 So in other words,

999 00:41:01.611 --> 00:41:03.520 to switch over to LPG stoves,

1000 00:41:03.520 --> 00:41:07.260 which is currently the most popular substitute

1001 00:41:08.463 --> 00:41:09.730 is not a climate issue.

1002 00:41:09.730 --> 00:41:11.213 Which is good,

1003 00:41:11.213 --> 00:41:13.843 because people often saw that as a potential conflict.

1004 00:41:15.080 --> 00:41:16.220 If you will, to electric stoves,

1005 00:41:16.220 --> 00:41:18.220 which I do think is the long-term solution.

1006 00:41:18.220 --> 00:41:20.220 Initially in India,

1007 00:41:20.220 --> 00:41:22.260 because we have a coal dominant electric sector.

1008 00:41:22.260 --> 00:41:26.401 It would be an increase in emissions,

1009 00:41:26.401 --> 00:41:28.520 CO2 emissions in the short-term.

1010 00:41:28.520 --> 00:41:29.370 But in the long-term,

1011 00:41:29.370 --> 00:41:31.271 as you decarbonize the electric sector,

1012 00:41:31.271 --> 00:41:32.690 of course, the idea is that the electric stoves

1013 00:41:32.690 --> 00:41:34.393 will be zero carbon.

1014 00:41:35.260 --> 00:41:39.573 So, that is the immediate impact of cookstoves and climate.

1015 00:41:40.768 --> 00:41:42.870 Broadly, this topic is not really addressed so much

1016 00:41:42.870 --> 00:41:44.930 in the sort of co-benefits

1017 00:41:44.930 --> 00:41:48.430 that richer people tend to look much more at transport;

1018 00:41:48.430 --> 00:41:50.769 because that's a clear co-benefit,

1019 00:41:50.769 --> 00:41:52.630 reducing air pollution and reducing emissions

1020 00:41:52.630 --> 00:41:55.040 in decarbonizing transport.

1021 00:41:55.040 --> 00:41:57.698 So, I do think cookstoves need to be brought

1022 00:41:57.698 --> 00:41:59.296 into the equation a little bit.

1023 00:41:59.296 --> 00:42:01.790 Because there's a strong development core benefit

1024 00:42:01.790 --> 00:42:02.940 of pursuing cookstoves.

1025 00:42:03.786 --> 00:42:06.195 And potentially, a climate benefit in the long-term

1026 00:42:06.195 --> 00:42:07.183 with electric cookstoves.

1027 00:42:08.521 --> 00:42:10.130 And I don't think there has been any focus on this

1028 00:42:10.130 --> 00:42:12.275 in the negotiations.

1029 00:42:12.275 --> 00:42:14.290 We far removed from it really.

1030 00:42:14.290 --> 00:42:15.743 It doesn't really factor in.

1031 00:42:16.864 --> 00:42:18.360 But I do think,

1032 00:42:18.360 --> 00:42:20.550 a lot of the climate policy in developing countries

1033 00:42:20.550 --> 00:42:22.700 needs to be looked at as development first.

1034 00:42:23.659 --> 00:42:26.103 That is, looking at development policies entry point,

1035 00:42:26.944 --> 00:42:29.361 and doing that in a manner that's climate friendly.

1036 00:42:29.361 --> 00:42:31.000 In that kind of a conversation,

1037 00:42:31.000 --> 00:42:33.287 looking at cookstoves is really important.

1038 00:42:34.593 --> 00:42:35.426 (cricket chirping)

1039 00:42:35.426 --> 00:42:36.535 <v Facilitator>Thanks, Dr. Rao.</v>

1040 00:42:36.535 --> 00:42:38.853 The second type of question is,

1041 00:42:39.934 --> 00:42:44.290 you have shown there is very vast differences

1042 00:42:44.290 --> 00:42:45.757 in terms of the deciles

1043 00:42:48.502 --> 00:42:51.669 regarding the lowest of income (indistinct) contribute,

1044 00:42:51.669 --> 00:42:55.100 the less, but they suffer the most from the air pollution

1045 00:42:55.100 --> 00:42:56.123 related mortality.

1046 00:42:57.099 --> 00:42:59.230 And so, the students are wondering.

1047 00:42:59.230 --> 00:43:03.293 Are there any policies to effectively check the status quo?

1048 00:43:04.347 --> 00:43:06.863 So, how can we reduce this inequity?

1049 00:43:07.860 --> 00:43:09.593 Particularly, through consumption.

1050 00:43:10.776 --> 00:43:12.810 Examples, these students are wondering,

1051 00:43:12.810 --> 00:43:17.495 what are the most cost effective and last floating options

1052 00:43:17.495 --> 00:43:18.328 that work?

1053 00:43:18.328 --> 00:43:21.860 How do we incentivize the behavioral changes

1054 00:43:21.860 --> 00:43:23.113 for people to,

1055 00:43:24.026 --> 00:43:25.070 for example, you mentioned cookstoves.

1056 00:43:25.070 --> 00:43:30.070 How can we incentivize people to use more clean cookstoves

1057 00:43:31.697 --> 00:43:32.530 and a whole,

1058 00:43:32.530 --> 00:43:36.393 also you showed that for the high-income population;

1059 00:43:37.400 --> 00:43:39.320 accurately, the food and food waste

1060 00:43:40.796 --> 00:43:44.780 has the kind of the large contribution to the air pollution.

1061 00:43:44.780 --> 00:43:48.763 So, how can we reduce this urban food waste?

1062 00:43:50.053 --> 00:43:50.886 And then lastly,

1063 00:43:52.006 --> 00:43:53.805 What are the key policy challenges

1064 00:43:53.805 --> 00:43:55.928 that you could have going on?

1065 00:43:55.928 --> 00:43:58.440 Do you know whether these policy

1066 00:43:58.440 --> 00:44:01.283 has been achieved on so far?

1067 00:44:04.055 --> 00:44:04.888 <v ->Yeah.</v>

1068 00:44:04.888 --> 00:44:05.730 So, the policy or the situation,

1069 00:44:05.730 --> 00:44:07.560 as with a lot of climate issues.

1070 00:44:07.560 --> 00:44:09.920 There's a big disconnect between reality

1071 00:44:09.920 --> 00:44:13.101 and what we see in our models and analysis.

1072 00:44:13.101 --> 00:44:15.380 So, seeing air pollution as a consumption issue,

1073 00:44:15.380 --> 00:44:17.123 is very far removed from policy.

1074 00:44:18.238 --> 00:44:20.838 I think air pollution policies are focused a lot on,

1075 00:44:22.658 --> 00:44:23.491 like I said,

1076 00:44:23.491 --> 00:44:25.496 in end-of-pipe solutions.

1077 00:44:25.496 --> 00:44:28.720 And those are really still the main focus of policy.

1078 00:44:28.720 --> 00:44:30.690 Cookstoves in particular,

1079 00:44:30.690 --> 00:44:34.508 even just simply coming up with a cost-effective

1080 00:44:34.508 --> 00:44:36.650 alternatives has been very, very difficult.

1081 00:44:36.650 --> 00:44:38.173 As I mentioned in India,

1082 00:44:40.194 --> 00:44:41.060 the main substitute has been

1083 00:44:41.060 --> 00:44:43.610 LPG, liquid petroleum gas stoves.

1084 00:44:43.610 --> 00:44:45.870 And there has been a very successful experiment

1085 00:44:45.870 --> 00:44:48.650 in the last few years by the Modi government.

1086 00:44:48.650 --> 00:44:50.800 Where 15 million households

1087 00:44:50.800 --> 00:44:55.033 actually were given free cookstoves and one cylinder.

1088 00:44:56.261 --> 00:44:58.331 And that was seen as a major success,

1089 00:44:58.331 --> 00:44:59.463 especially in urban areas.

1090 00:45:00.358 --> 00:45:03.313 But, we found from research subsequent to that program,

1091 00:45:04.580 --> 00:45:08.359 that people didn't end up using the gas stove so much.

1092 00:45:08.359 --> 00:45:09.469 And the reason is that,

1093 00:45:09.469 --> 00:45:11.059 even though they got a free stove,

1094 00:45:11.059 --> 00:45:13.070 the fuel was too expensive.

1095 00:45:13.070 --> 00:45:15.270 And the fuel has not been subsidized enough.

1096 00:45:16.280 --> 00:45:17.961 In fact, the prices have been liberalized

1097 00:45:17.961 --> 00:45:19.090 over the last decade.

1098 00:45:19.090 --> 00:45:20.863 So, that's the problem.

1099 00:45:21.751 --> 00:45:24.700 We need to subsidize both the fuel and the stove.

1100 00:45:24.700 --> 00:45:28.173 If you really want a sustained shift over to other fuels.

1101 00:45:29.120 --> 00:45:32.150 Because people may be familiar that people stack stoves,

1102 00:45:32.150 --> 00:45:33.450 they have multiple stoves;

1103 00:45:34.572 --> 00:45:36.319 and they use the one that's cheapest.

1104 00:45:36.319 --> 00:45:39.453 So, the policy solutions are not successful yet.

1105 00:45:40.938 --> 00:45:42.253 Let alone, look at consumption.

1106 00:45:43.707 --> 00:45:44.540 In the area of consumption,

1107 00:45:44.540 --> 00:45:47.130 I think behavioral change to reduce consumption;

1108 00:45:47.130 --> 00:45:49.930 I mean, we can think about that as being extremely difficult

1109 00:45:49.930 --> 00:45:50.973 in any context.

1110 00:45:52.198 --> 00:45:53.908 What's more important maybe from the study,

1111 00:45:53.908 --> 00:45:55.630 is to focus on food and food waste

1112 00:45:55.630 --> 00:45:56.933 as an air pollution issue.

1113 00:45:57.968 --> 00:46:00.199 Which is not often viewed that way.

1114 00:46:00.199 --> 00:46:01.910 So, thinking about cleaning up waste;

1115 00:46:01.910 --> 00:46:03.373 not only for recycling,

1116 00:46:04.276 --> 00:46:06.340 but to control how it's disposed off

1117 00:46:06.340 --> 00:46:08.338 and to prevent its burning,

1118 00:46:08.338 --> 00:46:10.146 or doing controlled burning.

1119 00:46:10.146 --> 00:46:13.060 Having incineration in an organized manner in cities,

1120 00:46:13.060 --> 00:46:16.027 where they have controls for pollution.

1121 00:46:16.027 --> 00:46:19.064 That, I think is probably the insight that's most important

1122 00:46:19.064 --> 00:46:21.664 from this study with regards to policy more broadly.

1123 00:46:24.750 --> 00:46:26.430 <v Facilitator>Thanks Dr. Rao for sharing that insight</v>

1124 00:46:26.430 --> 00:46:28.025 and expanding.

1125 00:46:28.025 --> 00:46:29.803 We do have a few minutes left at that.

1126 00:46:31.094 --> 00:46:32.064 Any of our,

1127 00:46:32.064 --> 00:46:33.940 also online audience want to ask a question,

1128 00:46:33.940 --> 00:46:36.980 please feel free to post the question on the chat box.

1129 00:46:36.980 --> 00:46:40.123 Or if you want to ask directly,

1130 00:46:41.036 --> 00:46:42.273 feel free to unmute yourself.

1131 00:46:44.451 --> 00:46:45.551 And before we move on,

1132 00:46:47.502 --> 00:46:51.823 I even had another question regarding this type of research

1133 00:46:52.682 --> 00:46:54.433 that Dr. Rao,

1134 00:46:54.433 --> 00:46:58.867 you showed us that the very drastic differences

1135 00:47:00.290 --> 00:47:03.550 in the low-income country,

1136 00:47:03.550 --> 00:47:06.100 low-income communities versus the high-income communities

1137 00:47:06.100 --> 00:47:07.403 in terms of the inequity.

1138 00:47:09.124 --> 00:47:14.124 So, this type of Pollution Equity Index.

1139 00:47:15.916 --> 00:47:19.634 You mentioned that it can be applied to different countries.

1140 00:47:19.634 --> 00:47:20.923 So, I'm particularly wondering,

1141 00:47:20.923 --> 00:47:23.674 that do you have any plans for future work,

1142 00:47:23.674 --> 00:47:27.120 like, focusing on not just India but in the United States?

1143 00:47:27.120 --> 00:47:27.953 Because, one,

1144 00:47:29.834 --> 00:47:31.910 the recent researchers found that,

1145 00:47:31.910 --> 00:47:36.910 actually the food production consumption also contributes,

1146 00:47:39.230 --> 00:47:42.403 is also a major contribution to the ambient air pollution

1147 00:47:42.403 --> 00:47:44.500 due to the house impacts in the United States as well.

1148 00:47:44.500 --> 00:47:46.103 So, I'm thinking about,

1149 00:47:46.984 --> 00:47:50.563 if you can apply this Pollution Equity Index

1150 00:47:50.563 --> 00:47:52.002 to the United States,

1151 00:47:52.002 --> 00:47:57.002 what could be some of the major messages that you can wave

1152 00:47:58.025 --> 00:47:58.925 for policy makers?

1153 00:47:59.820 --> 00:48:02.723 <v ->Yeah, actually there is a research group.</v>

1154 00:48:04.354 --> 00:48:05.187 I had mentioned it,

1155 00:48:05.187 --> 00:48:06.020 I think in part of this talk.

1156 00:48:06.020 --> 00:48:08.403 A Tesa metal paper, it's in Phoenix.
 1157 00:48:09.957 --> 00:48:11.247 I believe Phoenix,
 1158 00:48:11.247 --> 00:48:12.980 where they have done a very nice study
 1159 00:48:14.058 --> 00:48:16.650 that does this relationship between consump-
 tion
 1160 00:48:16.650 --> 00:48:17.783 and air pollution.
 1161 00:48:18.997 --> 00:48:21.030 And so, we do have research groups
 1162 00:48:21.991 --> 00:48:23.340 and the data are available in the U.S.
 1163 00:48:24.308 --> 00:48:25.141 to do this analysis.
 1164 00:48:25.141 --> 00:48:26.290 The missing piece there,
 1165 00:48:26.290 --> 00:48:29.100 in that study was to take exposures
 1166 00:48:29.100 --> 00:48:31.197 at a especially granular level
 1167 00:48:31.197 --> 00:48:33.597 and convert that into mortality risk.
 1168 00:48:33.597 --> 00:48:34.910 So, that's the part that we'd need to be done.
 1169 00:48:34.910 --> 00:48:37.588 And then, one can look at pollution equity,
 1170 00:48:37.588 --> 00:48:40.730 not just in terms of exposure and consump-
 tion comparisons;
 1171 00:48:40.730 --> 00:48:43.160 But mortality consumption.
 1172 00:48:43.160 --> 00:48:45.460 And I think that would be a useful step to
 do.
 1173 00:48:47.376 --> 00:48:50.460 I don't personally, have access to those data.
 1174 00:48:50.460 --> 00:48:51.570 I'm on energy side.
 1175 00:48:51.570 --> 00:48:54.404 I am working in fact,
 1176 00:48:54.404 --> 00:48:55.913 on residential energy in the U.S.
 1177 00:48:56.772 --> 00:48:58.472 at a detailed spatial granularity,
 1178 00:48:59.524 --> 00:49:01.184 with spatial granularity.
 1179 00:49:01.184 --> 00:49:02.220 And it would be an opportunity to team up
 1180 00:49:02.220 --> 00:49:04.050 with air pollution folks to...
 1181 00:49:06.159 --> 00:49:07.513 Kyle is an example of it himself.
 1182 00:49:07.513 --> 00:49:08.346 (chuckles)
 1183 00:49:08.346 --> 00:49:10.930 To look at that kind of inequity

1184 00:49:10.930 --> 00:49:14.100 or looking at mortality risks for specific communities

1185 00:49:14.100 --> 00:49:16.260 and comparing it to consumption levels.

1186 00:49:16.260 --> 00:49:19.669 And I think that is certainly something that's worth doing,

1187 00:49:19.669 --> 00:49:23.362 and possible for us to collaborate and do in the future.

1188 00:49:23.362 --> 00:49:24.195 <v Facilitator>Excellent, yeah.</v>

1189 00:49:24.195 --> 00:49:27.528 I think that'll be a very emerging field

1190 00:49:29.002 --> 00:49:32.010 for a lot of researchers like you.

1191 00:49:32.010 --> 00:49:34.343 Working in handy site for researchers

1192 00:49:34.343 --> 00:49:35.910 in the air pollution field

1193 00:49:35.910 --> 00:49:38.670 and for our students and all our audiences working

1194 00:49:38.670 --> 00:49:41.310 maybe in the environment of agricultural food.

1195 00:49:41.310 --> 00:49:43.380 So, thank you, Dr. Rao.

1196 00:49:43.380 --> 00:49:45.163 I don't see there's,

1197 00:49:46.770 --> 00:49:48.183 but there's one question.

1198 00:49:50.555 --> 00:49:52.698 <v ->I see one more question in the chat.</v>

1199 00:49:52.698 --> 00:49:53.531 <v Facilitator>Yes.</v>

1200 00:49:53.531 --> 00:49:55.703 Okay, Richter Autry. <v ->Yeah.</v>

1201 00:49:56.837 --> 00:49:57.670 <v Facilitator>So, Richter Autry;</v>

1202 00:49:57.670 --> 00:50:00.350 Do you think it would be more efficient to enrol

1203 00:50:00.350 --> 00:50:03.860 with the private sector in bringing about a faster

1204 00:50:03.860 --> 00:50:05.160 and more efficient change?

1205 00:50:08.106 --> 00:50:08.939 <v ->Mm.</v>

1206 00:50:10.064 --> 00:50:11.553 Um...

1207 00:50:11.553 --> 00:50:14.110 I think the private sector will be undoubtedly necessary

1208 00:50:14.110 --> 00:50:15.370 for the implementation of these policies.

1209 00:50:15.370 --> 00:50:18.356 They will be the provider of these technologies,
1210 00:50:18.356 --> 00:50:19.189 for sure.
1211 00:50:19.189 --> 00:50:21.767 I think, it also would require
1212 00:50:21.767 --> 00:50:26.133 as much government regulation as well to guide investments.
1213 00:50:27.211 --> 00:50:28.376 I think for example,
1214 00:50:28.376 --> 00:50:32.053 with norms for automobiles standards.
1215 00:50:33.510 --> 00:50:36.403 Those are generally regulated wherever you go.
1216 00:50:38.054 --> 00:50:39.500 It's something that has to be regulated
1217 00:50:39.500 --> 00:50:40.493 'cause there's not much incentive.
1218 00:50:42.694 --> 00:50:44.089 There's no private benefit associated
1219 00:50:44.089 --> 00:50:45.839 with the air pollution reduction.
1220 00:50:45.839 --> 00:50:47.613 And so, it has to be guided by policy.
1221 00:50:48.933 --> 00:50:49.766 But I think,
1222 00:50:49.766 --> 00:50:51.295 there could be,
1223 00:50:51.295 --> 00:50:52.610 it has to be asked whether there's enough incentive
1224 00:50:52.610 --> 00:50:55.787 for the providers of those technologies
1225 00:50:55.787 --> 00:50:57.836 to enter the market for them.
1226 00:50:57.836 --> 00:50:59.000 So, that definitely is an issue.
1227 00:50:59.000 --> 00:51:02.219 I think with cookstoves,
1228 00:51:02.219 --> 00:51:03.955 it's not necessarily an issue.
1229 00:51:03.955 --> 00:51:05.560 There's plenty of market incentive to provide,
1230 00:51:05.560 --> 00:51:06.683 to sell these stoves.
1231 00:51:07.755 --> 00:51:10.167 The government has to just subsidize them.
1232 00:51:10.167 --> 00:51:11.749 Make them affordable.
1233 00:51:11.749 --> 00:51:13.423 And for other end-of-pipe solutions;
1234 00:51:15.452 --> 00:51:16.285 cleaning up waste, for example.
1235 00:51:16.285 --> 00:51:18.327 that is another externality.

1236 00:51:18.327 --> 00:51:22.547 It's hard to see just the private sector leading that.

1237 00:51:22.547 --> 00:51:24.355 But I do think they have to be involved

1238 00:51:24.355 --> 00:51:26.010 in terms of providing the technologies.

1239 00:51:26.010 --> 00:51:28.716 But, I think regulation is really the answer

1240 00:51:28.716 --> 00:51:30.833 in terms of making a shift today.

1241 00:51:33.996 --> 00:51:34.829 <v Facilitator>Thank you, Dr. Rao.</v>

1242 00:51:34.829 --> 00:51:39.600 Yes, I think this speaks to the very core

1243 00:51:39.600 --> 00:51:44.600 of what the purpose of the caption the house constitution,

1244 00:51:46.354 --> 00:51:49.684 is to train the next generation of leaders

1245 00:51:49.684 --> 00:51:51.370 who might be the policy makers

1246 00:51:51.370 --> 00:51:53.285 than to have us tackle on this issue.

1247 00:51:53.285 --> 00:51:55.702 So, thank you for Vanessa.

1248 00:51:55.702 --> 00:51:58.002 And thank you so much for answering the Q & A.

1249 00:51:58.915 --> 00:52:01.114 I don't think there'll be other questions.

1250 00:52:01.114 --> 00:52:03.254 And so, maybe we can check out.

1251 00:52:03.254 --> 00:52:04.350 We can have five minutes earlier.

1252 00:52:04.350 --> 00:52:06.203 And thank you all for joining us,

1253 00:52:07.106 --> 00:52:08.595 in person and online.

1254 00:52:08.595 --> 00:52:09.483 Thank you.

1255 00:52:09.483 --> 00:52:12.755 I think we can give a round of applause for Dr. Rao.

1256 00:52:12.755 --> 00:52:16.470 <v ->Thank you so much for tolerating this suboptimal</v>

1257 00:52:16.470 --> 00:52:17.460 form of communication,

1258 00:52:17.460 --> 00:52:18.883 but I appreciate it.

1259 00:52:19.734 --> 00:52:20.813 Bye-bye.

1260 00:52:20.813 --> 00:52:21.995 (indistinct)