The Institute of Development studies Kolkata organized an international seminar on Health Systems Research and Policy on December 10, 2008. The speakers included:

- D. Narayana and T. R. Dilip of Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram
- Srijit Mishra of Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai
- Jean-Frédéric Levesque of Institut National de Santé Publique du québec and University of Montreal
- Subrata Mukherjee of IDSK and International Health Unit, University of Montreal

The welcome address was given by Achin Chakraborty of IDSK and Amiya Kumar Bagchi, Director, IDSK made the concluding remarks.