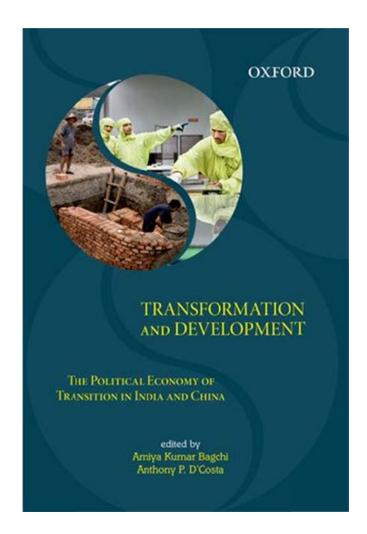
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While most of the advanced capitalist countries are reeling under a severe financial crisis, the rapid growth of India and China, the two largest and fastest growing economies in the world, is contributing to the realignment of the world economy. This transition, however, is characterized by deep rural poverty and underdevelopment, and plagued by unprecedented forms of social and economic inequality, and crony capitalism.

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