

## RESEARCH FINDING SEMINAR ON

# "Anti-corruption and Cigarette Consumption: Evidence from China"

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### Abstract:

We use the national scale anti-corruption campaign launched at the end of year 2012 as a natural experiment to investigate the impact on cigarette smoking. When we use the lower class as the control group and the middle and upper classes as the treatment groups, we find that after the campaign, middle-class sales increase while upper-class sales decrease. A shift in high-end cigarette consumption from the government sector to the middle class could cause this type of effect. This campaign has a broad impact on products manufactured both locally and by other provinces, as well as products subjected to varying levels of anti-corruption intensity.

**Date: 14 April, 2022 (Thursday)**

**Time: 10:30AM-11:00AM**

**Venue: Online via Zoom**

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