

Auroville is a bright, affirming flame in the midst of the gloom created by doomsday experts. I commend this book for being read by all seeking answers to the global economic despair.

**Prof. M. S. Swaminathan,
Founder Chairman, M S Swaminathan Research Foundation, India.**

A provocative account and analysis of the fascinating Auroville experiment. An impressive amount of primary economic data has been painstakingly assembled and underpins the economic analysis, including issues of survival, expansion and sustainability. This volume will surely become the source-book for future research of Auroville.

**Dr. Derek Jones,
Professor of Economics, Hamilton College, Clinton (NY), USA
Research Director, Economics, Mondragon University, Spain.**

Fascinating insights and critical analysis of the dilemmas, challenges, creativity, commitment and practical steps undertaken by Aurovilians to develop a collective economy based on visions of universal harmony, human unity and individual flourishing. Original and excellent research.

**Dr. Rachel Kurian,
Senior Lecturer, International Institute of Social Studies (ISS),
Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Hague, The Netherlands.**

A meticulously researched and rigorously analysed study of Auroville's economy. The effort that has gone into collecting data is particularly impressive. This is exactly the type of analytical and information-based publication that is essential if Auroville is to learn from its experiences and continue to evolve.

**Akash Kapur,
author of *India Becoming* (2012) and former columnist for the
International Herald Tribune and New York Times online.**

I have made a careful reading of this book and find it extremely fascinating and useful - it gives a clear account of the early vision about Auroville's economy, the manner in which that vision was attempted to be realized, and where it stands now. I very much hope that the book will enter into professional discourse of accountants and economists.

**Dr. C.T. Kurien,
Chairman Emeritus of the Madras Institute of Social Studies, Chennai.**

This study tries, with scientific accuracy, to measure how far this project has been faithful to the Mother's economic objectives. I consider it an indispensable tool to help Auroville's governing structures to rethink their economic governance. An in-depth and intelligent book.

**Dr. Marc Luyckx Ghisi,
Member of the Auroville International Advisory Council (2005-13)
and former advisor to Presidents of the European Commission.**