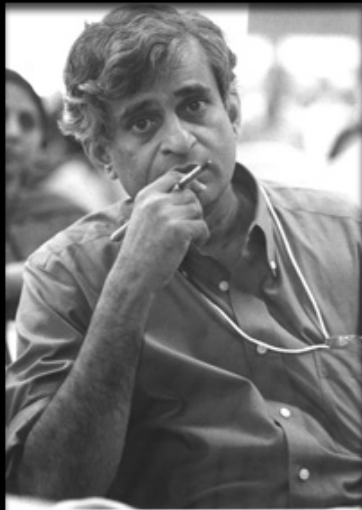


# SLUMDOGS VERSUS MILLIONAIRES: INDIA IN THE AGE OF INEQUALITY



a talk by  
**P. SAINATH**

one of India's most distinguished journalists

**March 10, 3:30 pm**  
**The Conference Center,**  
**York Research Tower, 5th Floor**

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P. Sainath is one of India's most eminent journalists and currently the Rural Affairs Editor of **The Hindu**. He is the the 2007 winner of the **Ramon Magsaysay Award**, Asia's most prestigious prize (often referred to as the 'Asian Nobel'), for Journalism, Literature and Creative Communications Arts. He was given the award for his 'passionate commitment as a journalist to restore the rural poor to India's national consciousness.' In his 29-year career Sainath has won over 35 global and national awards. These include Amnesty International's Global Human Rights Journalism Prize (2000); the UN Food & Agriculture Organisation's Boerma Prize (2000); the Harry Chapin Media Award in New York (2006); the European Commission's Lorenzo Natali Prize for journalism (1995). He has also declined several - including one of India's highest civilian awards. Sainath's book **Everybody Loves a Good Drought** (Penguin India, 1996) remained a non-fiction bestseller for years. Working on this book involved covering 100,000-km across India, including 5,000 km on foot. The book is in its 25th printing and is used in over 100 universities worldwide. Sainath's current work involves a series on the devastation of Indian agriculture by anti-farmer policies this past decade, which have resulted in the suicide of almost 200,000 farmers since 1997. His talk will reflect on these developments within the broader context of growing inequality in India.

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