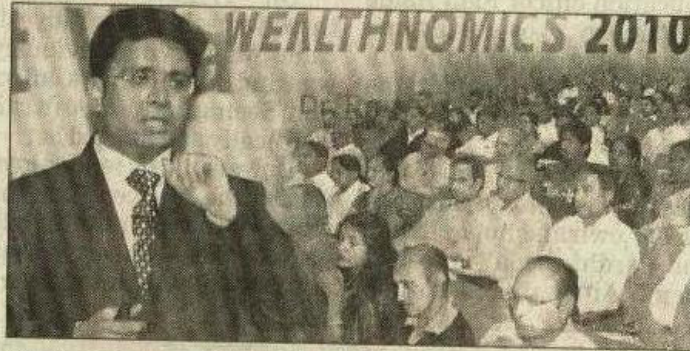


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WEALTHNOMICS 2010 seminar by Wasankar



Nagpur: WEALTHNOMICS 2010, a seminar on wealth and economy by Dr Prashant Wasankar held recently evoked tremendous response from the public.

Dr Wasankar cautioned investors not to be carried away by projections including his own. He warned that any fundamental or technical projections are always subject to happening or non-happening of certain macro level events.

"There has been all round growth in the last 2 decades but it is sad to see that we Indians continue to be pessimistic about India while foreign investors believe in India and also benefit from its growth". His revelation that the flow of savings in to equity market

during the growth phase post liberalization and recent Bull Run had actually declined (7.7% in 1999-2000 to 1.1%

in 2005-2006 which increased to 12.4% in 2007-08 when the market was at its peak) was an eye opener. Talking about vulnerability of Indian Market to foreign investments and sudden withdrawal by them, he pointed out that FII investments in 2009 was 84K Crore which works out to roughly 1.4% of annual gross financial savings. He pointed out that even a 5% additional inflow of savings to equity would result in an inflow of Rs. 3 Lakh Crores which would relegate foreign investments to an insignificant portion.