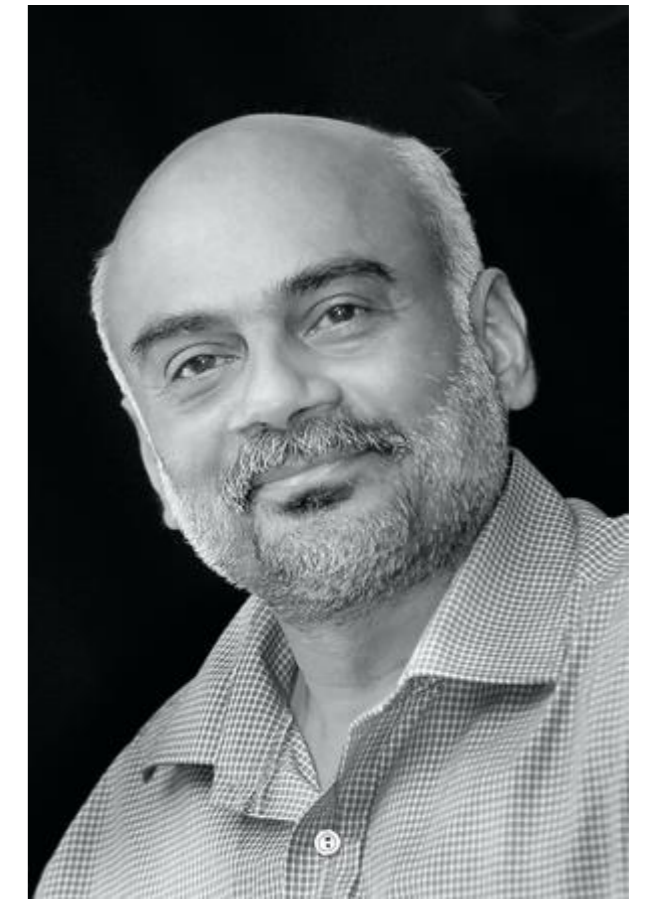


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Role of natural resources on the emergence and decline of empires and civilizations: Lessons from Indian history

Empires and civilizations can not be built in vacuum; nor can they be guided merely by political will. In this talk, K.N. Ganeshiah will provide illustrations from the history to argue that bioresources fuel the emergence of empires and civilizations. The regimes that efficiently use the natural resources grow and establish as powerful reigns, while those that lose control over, and or, abuse the natural resources decline and collapse.



About the speaker

K.N. Ganeshiah works in the areas of biodiversity, conservation ecology, and evolutionary ecology of plants. He has been building databases on bioresources of India and is interested in history. He is well-known for his novels, short stories, and columns in local languages.