# Impact of Colonial Institutions on Economic Growth and Development in India: Evidence from Night lights data

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## Replication Dataset Readme Document

File Description:

1. "british_lights_code_JT.do" is the STATA .do file used to replicate all the tables in the paper and the online appendix.
2. "british_lights_maindata_JT.dta" contains district-level data (1991 boundaries) used to conduct the respective analysis in the paper. While the dataset contains data for 466 districts (as per 1991 Census), our analysis focuses on 412 districts spread across 18 major States of India.
3. "lights_brit_prin_neighbor_across_JT.dta" contains data for neighboring directly and indirectly ruled districts (*across* States). This data is used to conduct neighboring district (British and Princely) analysis *without* State FEs.
4. "lights_brit_prin_neighbor_within_JT.dta" contains data for neighboring directly and indirectly ruled districts (*within* States). This data is used to conduct neighboring districts (British and Princely) analysis *with* State FEs.
5. "lights_land_nland_neighbor_JT.dta" contains data for neighboring landlord and non-landlord districts. This data is used to conduct neighboring districts (landlord and non-landlord) analysis.
6. "longitude_dist1991_ipums.dta" contains longitude data for all the 466 districts (as per 1991 Census). Longitude and latitude (in "british_lights_maindata_JT.dta") data are used in the computation of the Moran's I statistic as well as the Conley Standard Errors.

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Replication Instructions:

1. Change the working directory to the directory containing all the replication files listed previously.
2. In the *outreg2* commands, add the directory path of the folder in which you wish to save the respective tables.
3. Run the "british_lights_code_JT.do" to replicate all the tables in the paper as well as the online appendix. We recommend running the replication code for one table at a time.
4. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions.