

## Homework for Session 7

1. According to William Easterly, there is rampant petty corruption among traffic policeman in Mexico City. Why do you think this culture of corruption exists? Why might it persist? Are Mexican traffic policemen immoral people?
2. Who benefits from the “tolls” paid along the route in Cameroon? How do you think these payments harm the economy at large?
3. What is the basis of Easterly’s argument that corruption will have worse effects in Zaire than in Indonesia?
4. Given your answer to (3), let’s further consider beer delivery in Cameroon. Do you think it would be better for the beer company if there was one single roadblock or many independent roadblocks? How about the police – would they rather all man one roadblock and split the bribes evenly or man separate roadblocks?
5. How can India reduce its level of corruption? What is the role of media companies like Tehelka?