COUNT OF CENTURIES

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Liberalization, Privatization, Globalization
The cities expanding
Streets getting choked by tall standing stories
Buses, trams, bikes, motors
Running round the clock
Like racers on track
Making clouds of smoke and dust
And labs busy in quenching lust.

People name it unique—
‘ The TWENTY FIRST CENTURY’
Growth, development, and exposures
Are breathed now but;
Still by a few only.

There are men
Toil hard to fill the sinful belly
And many
Walk on foot
Bare
On hard, hot asphalt
The sores multiply;
They are to walk.

The century is for
the men of a ‘short-list’.

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