

## **DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

## NSS COLLEGE, NEMMARA PALAKKAD, KERALA

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## **Inauguration of Economics Association**

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# One Day Seminar on POST KERALA FLOOD CONCERNS:

Integrating Environmental aspects in the Development Process

Date: 07-12-2018

Time: 09:30am to 3:30 Pm Venue: Seminar Hall

Organized by
Economics Association
Dept of Economics

#### Dear Sir/Madam,

The Department of Economics, NSS College, Nemmara, Palakkad is conducting a one day Seminar on the theme "Post Flood Kerala Concerns: Integrating Environmental aspects in the Development process", as a part of the Inauguration of Economics Association, NSS College, Nemmara on December 7, 2018. We invite your esteemed presence and participation on the occasion and extend your support for the success of the seminar. With regards,

Principal

Dr.S Venugopal

H.O.D, Dept. of Economics Smt.Salini V

#### About the department

Department of Economics is one of the very oldest Department in NSS College, Nemmara. Bachelor degree programme in Economics was started in 1980. An Environmental study Centre is functioning under this department which conducts forest survey and other Environment related projects in collaboration with Divisional Forest Office, Nemmara. Department has an yearly intake of forty students and is consistent in producing excellent result. As a part of innovative teaching methodology the department addresses Economics Association which organizes different programmes related to current economics and social issues.

#### Theme of the Seminar

The state of Kerala has witnessed the worst flooding of its recent history beginning on 15'th August of this year. With over 483 people dead, scores went missing and at least a million people evacuated, the flood was declared by the Indian Government as "Level 3 calamity" or "Calamity of a severe nature. " Red alert were declared in all 14 districts. 30% of Kerala's population (around 11.09 million) resides in the 5 worst affected districts of Idukki, Enakulam, Wayanad, Kottayam and Pathanamthitta. Rebuilding the infrastructure and rehabilitation of the affected people is likely to have a sizeable economic and financial cost attached to it. According to United Nations estimation, Kerala economy's loss due to flood and the resultant disruptions is beyond 31,000 crores. The employment of nearly 4.13 million individuals of these districts has been affected. In light of the flood and the impact of the same we expect the GSDP could be affected by up to 1%. Agricultural output would definitely be affected and growth could be negative. Kerala's financial position has been critical over the years, as it has been sustaining a high revenue deficit and has been unable to maintain its fiscal deficit within the 3% target of GSDP. It also carries a high debt burden with outstanding debt at Rs.2.1 lakh crore (2017-18) or 31% of GSDP. This catastrophic flood has deepened the ongoing financial crunch of the state, making the rebuilding of the economy, a herculean task at the hands of the government and the civil society. In this context, the present one day seminar is an attempt to discuss the various challenges and development prospects for post flood Kerala Economy.

### **PROGRAMME SCHEDULE**

Registration: 9am to 9.30am

Inaugural session: 9.30 to 10.30 am

Welcome Speech : Shri.Rajeesh P

(Assistant Professor, Department of Economics)

Presidential Address : Smt. Salini V

(HOD, Dept. of Economics)

Inaugural Address : **Dr. S.Venugopal** 

(Principal, NSS College)

Felicitation : Smt. Thulasi K

(HOD, Dept. of History)

Shri. A RenjithKumar

(Asst Prof, Department of Political Science)

: Svamadas P

(Superintendent, NSS College, Nemmara)

: K. Anuroop

(Chairman, College Union, NSS College)

Vote of Thanks : Rajalekshmi G

(Secretary, Economics Association)

Tea Break (10.30am to 10.45am)

Technical Session I (10.45 am to 12.00pm)

Chair : Kumari. Priya S

(Guest Faculty, Dept of Economics)

Resource Person : **Dr. Ajesh Babu** 

(Assistant Professor, Kerala Agricultural

University, Mannuthy, Thrissur)

Topic : Rebuilding Kerala Opportunities

and Challenges: Ahead

Vote of Thanks : Rajeesh P

(Asst Professor, Dept of Economics)

Technical Session II (1.00 pm am to 2.30pm)

Resource Person : Dr. Unnikrishnan Namboothiri

(HSST Senior, Pandikkad)

Topic : Urban Slums in Kerala: An

**Analysis of Post Flood Concerns** 

Vote of Thanks : Rajeesh P

(Asst Professor, Dept of Economics)

**Technical Session III (2.30 pm to 3.30pm)** 

Chair : Smt Salini V

(HOD, Dept of Economics)

Paper Presentations : Third B.A. Economics Students

Valedictory Function (3:30 pm to 4:00 pm)

Chief Guest : Let. Suresh Babu

(Former HOD, Dept of Economics, N.S.S College, Nemmara)

Vote of Thanks : Kumari. Priya S

(Guest Faculty, NSS College, Nemmara)

Organising Committee

Chairman : Dr. S Venugopal

(Principal NSS College, Nemmara)

Co-ordinators : Smt Salini V

(HOD, Department of Economics)

Rajeesh P

(Asst Professor, NSS College, Nemmara)

Member : Priya S