NSS COLLEGE, NEMMARA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES DURING 2021-22

I. Curriculum Enhancement Activities

Webinar on "Administrative Data for Research purpose

The one-day webinar titled "Administrative Data for Research Purpose" organized by the Department of Economics at NSS College, Nemmara, on August 7, 2021, was a highly informative and engaging event. The webinar featured Mr. Shojan, Deputy Director of the Department of Economics and Statistics, who provided valuable insights into the use of administrative data for research in economics and related fields. This webinar served as an educational platform for students, researchers, and faculty members to understand the potential of administrative data in their research endeavours.

The Department of Economics at NSS College, Nemmara, organized a webinar aimed at shedding light on the importance and utility of administrative data for research purposes. Administrative data, collected by government agencies for various purposes, often remain untapped resources for academic research. This webinar aimed to bridge this gap by providing attendees with practical knowledge on how to access and use administrative data in their research projects. Mr. Shojan, Deputy Director of the Department of Economics and Statistics, was the keynote speaker for the event. Mr. Shojan is an expert in data collection and management, making him the perfect resource person for discussing the potential of administrative data. Mr. Shojan's expertise and practical insights into the use of administrative data for research left attendees with a better understanding of its potential and importance.

This webinar not only encouraged researchers to explore administrative data as a valuable resource but also inspired them to consider innovative research projects that can benefit from such data sources. The Department of Economics at NSS College, Nemmara, is committed to fostering a research-friendly environment and will continue to organize such informative events to support academic growth.

Webinar, on "Impact of COVID-19 on Kerala's Economy and State Finances"

The Department of Economics at NSS College, Nemmara, organized a webinar aimed at comprehensively analyzing the repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic on Kerala's economy and state finances. The event brought together students, faculty, researchers, and policymakers to explore the economic dimensions of the pandemic and discuss possible strategies for recovery and growth. The one-day webinar, titled "Impact of COVID-19 on Kerala's Economy and State Finances," held on August 25, 2021, was an enlightening and thought-provoking event organized by the Department of Economics at NSS College, Nemmara. The keynote speaker, Dr. Jerry Alwin, a renowned economist, shared valuable insights into the challenges and opportunities created by the COVID-19 pandemic for Kerala's economy and state finances. The webinar facilitated a deep understanding of the economic consequences, fiscal management strategies, policy responses, and socio-economic impacts of the pandemic.



Dr. Jerry Alwin, an esteemed economist with a wealth of knowledge and experience in economic analysis, was invited to share his insights as the keynote speaker. Dr. Alwin's expertise and engaging presentation style were instrumental in making the webinar a success.

The highlights of the webinar:

- 1. Economic Consequences: Dr. Jerry Alwin highlighted the immediate and long-term economic consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic on Kerala's economy. He discussed the impact on industries, employment, and economic growth, emphasizing the need for resilience and adaptability.
- 2. Fiscal Management: The webinar delved into Kerala's fiscal management strategies during the pandemic. Dr. Alwin provided a comprehensive analysis of how the state managed its finances, including expenditure prioritization and resource allocation.
- 3.Policy Responses: Attendees gained valuable insights into the policy measures undertaken by the Kerala government to mitigate the economic impact of COVID-19. Dr. Alwin discussed the role of government stimulus packages, healthcare investments, and other policy interventions.
- 4. Socio-Economic Impact: Dr. Alwin explored the broader socio-economic implications of the pandemic. The discussion covered healthcare infrastructure, education, labor markets, and social inequalities, shedding light on both challenges and opportunities.

The one-day webinar on the "Impact of COVID-19 on Kerala's Economy and State Finances" served as a valuable platform for learning and discussion. Dr. Jerry Alwin's expertise and the active participation of attendees made this event a significant success. The knowledge shared during the webinar will undoubtedly guide future research, policy decisions, and actions aimed at fostering Kerala's economic recovery and growth in the post-pandemic era.

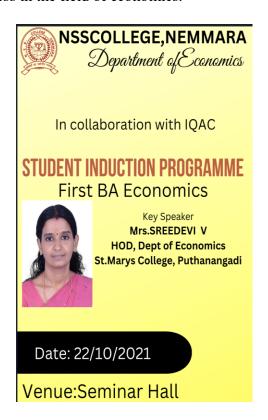
The Department of Economics at NSS College, Nemmara, is committed to organizing similar events in the future to continue promoting academic discourse and providing insights into pressing economic issues.

Induction Programme

The Department of Economics at NSS College, Nemmara, organized an induction program to welcome and orient the first-year BA Economics students. The induction program for first-year BA Economics students held on October 22, 2021, was a successful and

informative event organized by the Department of Economics, NSS College, Nemmara. The resource person Mrs. Sreedevi V, Head of the Department of Economics at St. Mary's College, aimed to provide new students with a warm welcome, essential information, and guidance to facilitate a smooth transition into their academic journey.

The program not only served as an introduction to the department but also fostered a sense of belonging among the new students. It was an excellent platform for them to interact with faculty and seniors, gaining valuable insights and support for their upcoming years in the program. The Department of Economics at NSS College, Nemmara, looks forward to nurturing and guiding these students throughout their academic pursuit, ensuring their growth and success in the field of economics.



II. Research Initiatives of Faculty members

The faculty member Mrs. Salini V, published a paper on "Digital Economy, Promises, Policy and Privacy" in the UGC Care list Journal on January 2021.