

**ACTIVITIES OF
ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION
AND
PLANNING FORUM 2015-16**

Observation of Environment Day

To celebrate Environment Day, students were trained in making paper bags out of newspapers on 9-6-2015 and distributed in the Campus.



World Population Day

In connection with World Population Day, organized an interdepartmental essay writing competition on the topic “Role of Youth in India’s Development on 10th July 2015. Students from different departments participated



Inauguration of Activities of Economics Association and Planning Forum and 70th Anniversary celebrations

The 70th Anniversary celebrations and the activities of Economics Association and Planning Forum for the year was inaugurated by Prof. K C Francis, Head, Department of Economics, St.Thomas College (Autonomous), Thrissur on 16 July 2015. The inauguration was followed by an invited lecture on “Indian Economy”. The function was presided over by Principal Sr Dr Jacintha C.C. and Ms Isabella Davis III BA Economics, Ms Molly Joseph, Retd HOD of Dept of Economics and Dr Julie P Lazar, HOD, Economics spoke on the occasion



Invited lecture on Perspectives of Financial Inclusion in India

Arranged an invited lecture on Perspectives of Financial Inclusion in India by Ms Anila C., Asst Professor, Dept of Economics, Sree Kerala Varma College, Thrissur (Alumnae BA Economics 1998-2001) on 23 July 2015.



Tribute to Thiruvalluvar

As a Tribute to Thiruvalluvar, The Tamil Poet and Philosopher, Economic Association organized Written Quiz Competition on 29-7-2015. The Quiz was based on a Power Point Presentation on the life and work of Thiruvalluvar. 230 students from different Departments participated in the quiz. The session was led by Ashmi V G ,Isabella Davis and Anjana Menon of III BA Economics





Study Tour- Mysore & Coorg

The Final year BA students visited Mysore & Coorg and also visited Mysore Silk Weaving Factory as part of Industrial Visit during 5th to 8th August as part of study tour. They visited various places as part of economy visit and submitted a report to the head of the Department. 39 Students of III BA Economics and 2 Teaching Staff participated in the trip.



Poster Exhibition Go Kerala

Organized an Exhibition Go Kerala – Creating an awareness on Kerala Economy – Art, architecture, culture, history, economy, trade, commerce, tourism etc on 12 August 2015. The exhibition was inaugurated by Principal Sr Dr Jacintha C. C. The posters for the exhibition were designed by peer groups and students from various

departments participated. A model of Thrissur City with its markets and tourist destinations were presented. competitions were also organized.



Commemoration of Independence Day

To commemorate Indian Independence, the Planning forum organized a Mime on the theme ‘Life of an Indian Soldier’ on 13-08-2015. All the members joined together to pay tributes to the soldiers who had laid down their lives for the country. The programme ended with the Vande Matharam recital by the students.





Commemoration of Independence Day -Wall Magazine Competition

Organized a Wall Magazine Competition “Faces of India” on 18-08-2015 to celebrate 69th year of Indian Independence.



Onam Celebrations

Students celebrated Onam in all its grandeur with payasam, onam games and wearing traditional onam dress on 19-8-2015. All the Students participated in the programmes through Thiruvathirakali performance, traditional onam songs and games. The student of the I SEM BA Economics, Ms Anagha was selected as the best Maveli in competition conducted by College Union. Students also participated in various competitions and programmes conducted by College.



National Seminar

The Department of Economics organized the first UGC Sponsored National Seminar on 15th & 16th September 2015, on the topic “Infrastructure and Economic Development: Present Scenario, Challenges and Future options” with the collaboration of South Indian Bank. The Seminar was inaugurated by Sri. A G Varughese, Vice-President, SIB, Thrissur. The Seminar had six technical sessions and two paper presentation sessions led by renowned academic experts

Inaugural Session & Technical Session 1 started at 9.30 am with the prayer. Principal of the College Sr. Dr. Jacintha C.C. welcomed the gathering. Prof. Dr S. Iyyampillai in his Presidential address emphasized the importance of the topic of the seminar and gave a brief description of the topic and also pointed out its relevance in the present scenario. The Seminar was inaugurated by Shri. A. G. Varughese, Senior Vice President, South Indian Bank. In his key note address he gave an account of infrastructure financing and role played by banks for providing necessary financial support to improve the physical infrastructure in India. He concluded his talk by raising certain flagship questions to improve the infrastructural facilities. His key note address was thought provoking and interesting. Sri Mohanan. K, DGM and Principal, Staff Training College, South Indian Bank, Sri Sureshkumar N. PTA Vice President, Prof Dr K. Gangadharan, Head, Dept of Economics, Kannur University, Thalassery Campus and Dr Josepheni Joseph, Head, Dept of English, St Mary’s College, Thrissur

offered felicitations for the seminar. The session concluded with the vote of thanks by, Dr Julie P. Lazar, Head, Department of Economics and Convener of the seminar.



The second technical session was handled by Prof. Dr S. Iyyampillai (Prof. & Chair, School of Economics and Commerce and Financial studies, Bharathidasan University, Thiruchirappalli.) on Funding for Infrastructure Nature and Concerns. The session was chaired by Ms Molly Joseph, Retired Head, Department of Economics, St Mary's College, Thrissur. The third Session resource person was Prof Dr K. Gangadharan, Head, Dept of Economics, Kannur University, Thalassery Campus. He gave a talk on "Planning and Infrastructure Development in India: Views and Vision" Dr Ramachandran, Head, Dept of Economics, University of Calicut, Dr John Mathai Centre chaired the session.



Prof. Dr. K P Mani, Dept. of Economics, University of Calicut, Dr. John Mathai Centre, Thrissur gave an eloquent presentation on Infrastructure in India: Performance Challenges and Options. Dr Chacko Jose P. Associate Prof & Head, Department of Economics, S H College, Chalakudy chaired the session.

Dr. P. Arunachalam, Professor and Head, Dept. of Applied Economics, CUSAT gave a presentation on the topic Infrastructural Development in India: Challenges and Opportunities. Dr Chacko Jose P. Associate Prof & Head, Department of Economics, S H College, Chalakudy chaired the session.



Dr. Nirmala Padmanabhan, Associate Prof and Head, Department of Economics, St Teresa's College, Ernakulam gave her presentation on Solid Waste Management.



The valedictory session was inaugurated by Dr. Nirmala Padmanabhan. In her address, she described about the role and need of Infrastructure development in the Indian context and motivated the students to look forward to the issues affecting the common man. Ms. Isabella Davis, V Sem BA Economics student presented the seminar report. Dr. Nirmala Padmanabhan distributed the certificates to the participants. Ms. Diya Philip, Assistant Professor, B. K. College, Kottayam presented the feedback on behalf of the participants. The two-day intellectual and academic exercise ended with the Vote of thanks by Ms. Liji Maliakkal, Seminar Coordinator.



Meet The Entrepreneur

As part of empowering the women to meet the challenges of life, arranged a programme of meeting the entrepreneur as a measure to equip women to undertake entrepreneurial activities. The programme was handled by Ms. Rema Devi, Proprietor, Good Look Beauty Parlour and Ready Wear, Thrissur on 3-12-2015. She gave an

account of the scope of women entrepreneurship, nature of funding, challenges and concern



Alumnae Lecture on Corporate Social Responsibility

Economics Association, arranged a lecture by Ms. Simmy A M, Asst Prof on Contract, Dept. of Social Work, St. Mary's College, Thrissur (Alumnae, 1997-2000) on Corporate Social Responsibility to the III BA Economics students on 07 December 2015



Quiz Competition On Women Achievers

Conducted a Quiz Competition on Women Achievers on 11-12-15. A Preliminary Round was held on 4-12-15 in which 13 teams participated. Five teams were selected for the finals. Ms Reshma K R led the quiz and quiz comprised of questions from industry, banking, sports, politics and so on.



Christmas Celebrations

To inculcate a spirit of oneness and unity the students celebrated Christmas in its best on 18 December 2015. The Class tutors and Students joined together to cut Christmas cakes, sang Christmas carols, exchanged Christmas gifts and also participated in various competitions and programmes conducted by College. The Department team won the First place in Crib competition conducted by Campus Ministry of the College.



Alumnae Lecture on International Monetary Scenario

Arranged a lecture by Ms. Amrutha K Dharman, (BA Economics 2009-2012) on International Monetary Scenario to the III BA Economics students on 12 January 2016.



Alumnae Lecture- Organic Farming

In connection with Alumnae Lecture Series by Economics Association, Ms. Vidhya A K, Ph D Research Scholar, University of Calicut (BA Economics 2009-2012) gave a class on Organic Farming for III BA Economics students on 13 January 2016.



Interactive Session on Role of Banks In Current Economic Scenario

An Interactive Session on Role of Banks In Current Economic Scenario- A comparison of India and Italy was arranged with Dr Vitto Scelaro, Banking Inspector, Unicredit



Bank Italy and Rev Fr Denny, Social Worker , Italy on 27-1-2016 . The session was moderated by Dr Dennis Vadakan. The session discussed on the role of banks and the possibility of averting economic crisis with the right functioning of the banks.

Alumnae Lecture- Mundell Flemming Model

In connection with Alumnae Lecture Series, Economics Association, arranged a lecture by Ms Flowarin A D Teaching Assistant, College of Cooperation and Banking , KAU (BA Economics 2004-07) on Mundell Flemming Model to the M A Applied Economics students on 4 February 2016



Discussion Session on Union Budget

To have a better understanding of the union Budget, the students of the Department along with the faculty arranged a discussion on the Union Budget 2016-17 on 2-3-16. Four students presented different aspects of the budget. Ms Isabella Davis, Ms Sherin Johnson, Ms Anjana Menon and Ms Ashmi V G presented the Impact and influence of Budget on Common Man, different sectors-agriculture , service and industry , different , the tax policies. Greeshma V moderated the sessions After their presentation there was open discussion in which the Principal Sr Dr Jacintha C.C. and other staff members and students actively participated





Manuscript Magazine

A manuscript magazine on Indian Economy entitled Rupees was brought out by students and was released by Sr Dr Jacintha C. C , Principal on 2 March 2016. Ms Treasa K J, Magazine Editor spoke on the occasion

