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Tiruchirappalli – 620 002, Tamil Nadu, India.



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Two day National Seminar on

**“ Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on Indian Economy,
Labour and Marginalised Community ”**

24th and 25th May 2022

Venue: SAIL Auditorium

St.Joseph's College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli– 620002.



Organised by

PG and Research Department of Commerce

St.Joseph's College (Autonomous)

Tiruchirappalli – 620 002,
Tamil Nadu, India.

ABOUT THE INSTITUTION

St. Joseph's College was founded by the Jesuit visionaries in 1844 with the noble aim of educating humanity for the good and the true 'Pro Bono Et Vero' (for the Good and the True). SJC now serves as a beacon of light for all men and women aspiring to pursue holistic higher education. A pioneering educational institution in central part of Tamil Nadu, SJC has a rich legacy and several illustrious alumni like former President of India and Bharat Ratna Dr.A.P.J.Abdul Kalam, renowned physicist Prof.G.N.Ramachandran, former Chief Election Commissioner Shri.N.Gopalaswamy, Member of Constituent Assembly of India Fr.Jerome D'Souza SJ, Vir Chakra Awardee Major M.Saravanan, Advisor to the Governor of Jammu & Kashmir Mr.K.Vijay Kumar IPS, Arjuna Awardee Mr.Arockia Rajeev and many more luminaries.

SJC – MILESTONES & ACHIEVEMENT

- One of the first colleges to be granted autonomy by the UGC in 1978
- Recognized by the UGC as a College with Potential for Excellence in 2004 and again in 2014
- Received DST-FIST fund in 2008 and 2014 and DBT-STAR status in 2014
- Received the coveted honour of the special Heritage Status from the UGC in 2015
- Reaccredited 'A++' Grade (4th Cycle) by NAAC in 2019
- Secured 27th position in NIRF Ranking in 2021

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Commerce was started in the year 1948, for offering the three-year B.Com degree course with the motive of inculcating professional ethics and competency in business and management. The B.Com course has been offered in Shift-II since 1972. The department is very proud to have introduced and taught Card Punching, BASIC, COBAL and FORTRAN - the most popular computer languages as early as 1970s. The Post Graduate course (M.Com) was started in 1988. Twenty of our staff hold M.Phil Degree, fourteen hold Ph.D Degree along with NET/SET and ten are recognized as Research Supervisors. The department was elevated as the Research Department in 2003 and has produced 54 Ph.Ds. The department is the pioneer in the state in introducing courses on business ethics, computer languages and applications and accounting software. The department reached yet another milestone by launching ACCA, UK integrated B.Com Honours programme in 2020. The department prepares students to pursue professional courses such as CA, ICWA and ACS through feeder courses.

ABOUT THE NATIONAL SEMINAR

The title of the National Seminar is “ **Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on Indian Economy, Labour and Marginalised Community**”. The Covid-19 pandemic and the ensuing lockdown restrictions caused unprecedented job losses. The quantity and quality of employment opportunities both deteriorated and are estimated to not have returned anywhere close to the pre-pandemic numbers yet. The countrywide lockdown to contain the spread of Covid-19 pushed the labour migrants towards a pathetic situation marked by homelessness, hunger and unforeseen human miseries. A recent survey among migrant workers conducted in the middle of April 2020 revealed that 90% of them were not paid their wages in various states, 96% did not get rations from the government outlets, and 70% did not get cooked food during the lockdown 1.0 (Hindu 2020).

Across the world, 2 billion workers (61.2 per cent of the world's employed population) are in informal employment. They are more likely to face higher exposure to health and safety risks without appropriate protection, such as masks or hand disinfectants. Many also live in cramped housing, sometimes without running water. This not only exposes these workers to health risks, it also makes preventive measures for the wider population less effective.

Coronavirus fears have sent shock waves across global financial markets. Indian capital markets are envisaging a funds flow to Western capital markets, owing to rate cuts and fall in the stock markets the world over. As per the NSDL data, Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) have withdrawn huge amounts from India—₹247.76 billion from equity markets and ₹140.50 billion from debt markets in a short span of 13 days, that is, from 1 to 13 of March 2020.

The deleterious effects of the pandemic and the strict measures of lockdown have brought immense misery and risks for those who continue to be at the margins and fringes of the Indian society, even during non-COVID-19 times. These marginalised sections include the transgender community, the disabled, street children, sex workers, and others. The imposition of lockdown has not only aggravated precarity in their everyday survival but has also created more odds and obstacles in their efforts to earn their living and lead a “normal” life.

With India’s stricter national lockdown, it is the vulnerable population—Dalits, Adivasis, Muslims and women from these communities—who have borne the brunt of social, economic and health impacts of the virus as both essential but disposable workers. It is more than clear now that people already marginalised and stigmatised, are the worst hit by the pandemic lockdowns. The hit is marked on several axes —psychological, economic, political, and cultural.

During lockdown, the support system for Persons With Disabilities (PWD)s is considerably affected, which demands an active response from the government and society at large. A majority of PWDs in India do not use any assistive devices and thus are dependent on others for performing their daily tasks. Availing transportation is a significant issue at this time as access to medicines and basic needs, like going to the market or ration shops, are a concern for the PWDs who are staying alone.

This seminar is meticulously planned to give intensive exposure to a topic through presentations and discussions led by multiple experts can lead to higher productivity and fulfilment of professional and academic goals. The seminar discussions offer chances to debate issues related to Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on Indian Economy, Socio – Economic impacts, Impact of COVID-19 on migrant labourers, temporary wage earners, unemployed workers and semi – skilled workers, Impact of Covid on unorganized, informal and private sectors, Start-Ups and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and NRI labourers, Economic slowdown, livelihoods and agricultural labourers problems due to pandemic, Health, psychosocial, and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on Marginalised people, Strategy for start-ups and entrepreneurship in post covid situations.

OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR

The objective of the seminar is to visualize the realities of Covid 19 pandemic effects and impacts on Indian economy and especially labourers and marginalized community. The central government is trying to fulfill the gap that are vulnerable due to covid 19 pandemic, however the labour aspects and marginalized communities welfare and left unattended. This seminar is planned to focus the multifaceted approaches on the impact of covid 19 towards vulnerable communities and would explore the holistic approaches and to uphold human rights and labour laws to protect the most vulnerable workers in supply chains during the post covid pandemic. This seminar will address the startup opportunities, health and hygiene management moreover the psychosocial, and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on Marginalised people

THEMES FOR PAPER PRESENTATION

The seminar will include the following tracks;

- Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on Indian Economy
- Socio – Economic impacts of Covid 19 pandemic
- Impact of COVID-19 on migrant labourers, temporary wage earners, unemployed workers and semi – skilled workers.
- Impact of Covid on unorganized, informal and private sectors.
- Covid impact on Start-Ups and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and NRI labourers.
- Economic slowdown, livelihoods and agricultural labourers problems due to pandemic
- Health, psychosocial, and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on Marginalised people.
- Strategy for start-ups and entrepreneurship in post covid situations.

PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Manuscript must be original and should not have been published previously anywhere. Manuscript should follow the one column format.
- One page Abstract of the paper and full manuscript should contain maximum of 4 pages.
- Maximum number of authors allowed is 2 (separate registration for co-authors)
- Paper should include: Title of the paper, Author(s) Name, Designation, Address, Contact details and e-mail.
- All papers should be emailed to icssrsemsjc@gmail.com
- Paper Presentations will be held on both days.

SEMINAR PROCEEDING:

The selected papers will be published in the seminar proceedings. The e-copy of the seminar proceedings and papers presented will be sent to the registered participants.

PARTICIPATION REGISTRATION FEE

To acknowledge the 178 years of education services rendered by St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli - 620002 towards the poor and marginalized sections of the society;

THE REGISTRATION IS FREE for the followings participants; (upload certificate)

- First Generation PG and Research Scholars
- SC/ST PG and Research Scholars and Teaching Staff
- Persons With Disabilities (PWD)
- The conditions: meant for the first 60 participants only. First, cum first serve basis. (Compulsory to attend two days seminar and present a paper) will receive participation and presentation certificates.

The registration fee is Rs.200 – However, those who participated previously any one of the Seminar/Conferences organized by the Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli – 620002 can waive off 50% **(They can pay Rs.100)** (Registration fee includes seminar kit, working lunch and snacks) **(upload certificate)**

For Others: (Staff / Research Scholars / Academicians) Rs.200

ACCOMODATION - For Outstation participants: Accommodation may be arranged with advance request and payment nearby the Institute. No TA/DA will be given to the Paper Presenters /Participants.

Online Registration link: <https://admission.sictni.edu/Commerce/ICPIELMC>

DATES TO REMEMBER

Seminar Participation Registration	: till 20 th May 2022
Abstract Submission for paper presentation	: before 18 th May 2022
Full paper Submission	: before 20 th May 2022
National Seminar days	: 24 th and 25 th May 2022

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EMINENT SPEAKERS / RESOURCE PERSONS

Two Day National Seminar on “**Impact of Covid-19 Pandemic on Indian Economy, Labour and Marginalised Community**”.

Topics	Resource person	
Inaugural Address on “Economic Impact of Covid-19 and Policy Options”.	Dr. C. RANGARAJAN Former Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister & Former Governor, RBI Chairman, Madras School of Economics Chennai - 600 025	
Valedictory Address	Dr.J. JEYARANJAN, Vice Chairman, State Planning Commission, Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005.	
Impact of Covid – 19 Pandemic on the Poor and Marginalised Communities.	Rev. Dr. M.AROCKIASAMY XAVIER SJ Principal, St.Joseph’s College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli – 620002 Tamil Nadu, South India.	
Economic slowdown, livelihoods and agricultural labourers problems due to Covid -19 pandemic	Dr. S. IYYAMPILLAI Professor and Head (Rtd). Department of Economics Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli - 620 024, Tamil Nadu, India	

Impact of Covid-19 on migrant labourers, temporary wage earners, unemployed workers and semi – skilled workers.

Dr.P.ARUNACHALAM
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Paper Presentation (4. 30 pm – 5. 30 pm)

Chairpersons for Paper Presentation

Dr. N. PRASANNA
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Dr.A.ROYAL EDWARD WILLIAMS
Assistant Professor
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Health, psychosocial, and economic impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic on Marginalised people.

Rev.Dr.K.AROCKIAM SJ
Former Dean (School of Management Studies)
Assistant Professor of HRM
St.Joseph's College (Autonomous)
Tiruchirappalli – 620002, Tamil Nadu, India



Strategy for start-ups and entrepreneurship in post Covid situations.

Dr.KANKIPATI SRINIVASA RAO
Associate Professor of Commerce,
Vivek Vardhini College of Arts, Commerce,
Science & PG Studies,
Osmania University, Hyderabad.



Covid-19 impact on Start-Ups and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and NRI labourers.

Mr.G.RAVEENDRAN
General Manager / Deputy Director
Department of Industries and Commerce
District Industries Centre
Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, India

Impact of Covid-19 on unorganized, informal and private sectors.

Dr.G.GNANASEKARAN,
Director- Management Studies ,
Dr.SNS Rajalakshmi College of Arts and
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(25 – 05 – 2022) 4.30 pm VALEDICTION

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TIME SCHEDULE FOR TECHNICAL SESSIONS

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	Topics	Resource Person
Day I (24 – 05 – 2022) 9.30 am – 10.30 am	Inaugural Address on “Economic Impact of Covid-19 and Policy Options”.	Dr. C. RANGARAJAN Former Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister & Former Governor, RBI Chairman, Madras School of Economics Chennai - 600 025
Day II (25 – 05 – 2022) 4. 30 pm – 5. 30 pm	Valedictory Address	Dr.J. JEYARANJAN, Vice Chairman, State Planning Commission, Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005.
Day I (24 – 05 – 2022) 10. 30 am – 12. 00 pm	Impact of Covid – 19 Pandemic on the Poor and Marginalised Communities	Rev. Dr. M.AROCKIASAMY XAVIER SJ Principal, St.Joseph’s College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli – 620002 Tamil Nadu, South India.
12. 00 pm – 1. 30 pm	Economic slowdown, livelihoods and agricultural labourers problems due to Covid-19 Pandemic	Dr. S. IYYAMPILLAI Professor and Head (Rtd). Department of Economics Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli - 620 024, Tamil Nadu, India
2. 30 pm – 4. 00 pm	Impact of Covid-19 on migrant labourers, temporary wage earners, unemployed workers and semi-skilled workers	Dr.P.ARUNACHALAM Professor and Head. Department of Applied Economics Cochin University of Science and Technology Kochi – 682 022, Kerala, India
Paper Presentation 4. 30 pm – 5. 30 pm	<u>Chairperson for Paper Presentation</u> Dr.A.ROYAL EDWARD WILLIAMS Assistant Professor PG and Research Department of Economics Sacred Heart College Tirupattur, Tamil Nadu, India	
	<u>Chairperson for Paper Presentation</u> Dr. N. PRASANNA Associate Professor Department of Economics Bharathidasan University Tiruchirappalli - 620 024, Tamil Nadu, India	

<p>Day II (25 – 05 – 2022) 9. 00 am – 10. 30 am</p>	<p>Health, Psychosocial and economic impacts on the Covid-19 pandemic on Marginalised people</p>	<p>Rev. Dr.K.AROCKIAM SJ Former Dean (School of Management Studies) Assistant Professor of HRM St.Joseph's College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli – 620002, Tamil Nadu, India</p>
<p>11. 00 am – 12. 30 pm</p>	<p>Strategy for Start-ups and entrepreneurship in post Covid Situations.</p>	<p>Dr.KANKIPATI SRINIVASA RAO Associate Professor of Commerce, Vivek Vardhini College of Arts, Commerce, Science & PG Studies, Osmania University, Hyderabad</p>
<p>12. 30 pm – 1. 45 pm</p>	<p>Covid-19 impact on Start-Ups and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and NRI labourers</p>	<p>Mr.G.RAVEENDRAN General Manager / Deputy Director Department of Industries and Commerce District Industries Centre Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, India</p>
<p>2. 30 pm – 4. 00 pm</p>	<p>Impact of Covid-19 on unorganized, informal and private sectors.</p>	<p>Dr.G.GNANASEKARAN, Director- Management Studies , Dr.SNS Rajalakshmi College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Coimbatore – 641 049, Tamil Nadu, India</p>
<p>4. 30 pm</p>	<p>VALEDICTION Certificate Distribution Honouring best paper presenters</p>	