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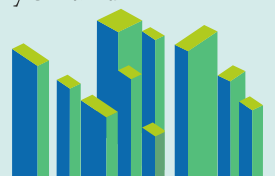
NEWSLETTER

Release of reports of Vivara Sanchayika



The reports prepared based on the Kannur Vivara Sanchayika survey held in Kannur district released on 24th February 2025 in a function organized by the District Panchayat Kannur at District Panchayat Hall, Kannur. These reports offers precise and timely statistical data for planning operations in the 44 Grama panchayats of Kannur district. The District Planning Committee spearheaded this endeavor, working with Local Self Government Department and the Department of Economics and Statistics. Hon'ble Minister for Local Self Government, Sri. M. B. Rajesh released the reports. The function was presided over by Public Works Standing Committee Chairperson Adv. T. Sarala.

The purpose of this initiative is to offer trustworthy data for Kannur district planning and development operations. The reports' publication marked a significant step forward in the district's efforts to strengthen planning and decision-making procedures. Director Sri. Sreekumar B., District Panchayat Secretary Smt. Taini Susan John, District Panchayat Health Education Standing Committee Chairperson Smt. Sreejini N.V, Development Standing Committee Chairperson Smt. U. P. Shoba, District Panchayat Member Sri. Thomas Vakkantham, Joint Director of the Local Self-Government Department Sri. Arun T J., Kannur Deputy Director of the Economics and Statistics Department Sri. Premarajan E. V., and District Panchayat Planning Committee Vice President Sri. T. Gangadharan Master are the distinguished guests. The District Panchayat Secretary Smt. Taini Susan John expressed gratitude during the ceremony.



Training on Cost of Cultivation Survey



Minister for Agriculture, Sri P. Prasad inaugurated the State Level Training Programme on Cost of Cultivation Survey 2024-25 held at directorate Training hall on 5th February 2025. Director of Economics and Statistics Department, Sri. Sreekumar B presided over the function. Kerala State Agricultural Prices Board Chairman Dr. Rajasekaran P. delivered the keynote speech. During the ceremony, the farmer who is an informant selected for cost of cultivation survey, Mr. Chandran S. Manikal was honoured and a pamphlet on the survey was released by handing over a copy to him by the Hon'ble



Minister for Agriculture. Two reports namely, Report on Cost of Cultivation Survey 2022-23, Soil Conservation Survey Report 2022-23 and Revised Instruction Book of Cost of Cultivation Survey were also released by Hon'ble Minister. Release of Paddy Harvest Experiment Tutorial Video was also done by the Minister. During the function Research Officer Shri. Abhilash K. V. was appreciated by presenting a memento to him for the preparation of an online application software for the survey. Additional Director (State Income) Sri. Manoj M. Additional Director (General) Sri. Vinodan T. P., Farmer Sri. Chandran S. Manikal, Assistant Director of Agricultural Development and Farmers Welfare Department, Sri. Ajith delivered felicitation address. Additional Director (Prices) Dr. K. G. Geetha expressed vote of thanks.

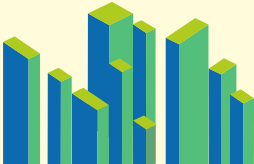
Training on Input Cost of Plantation Crops

A state-level training programme for the Survey on Input Cost of Plantation Crops in Kerala 2024-25 was held on 6th February 2025 at the Training Hall of the Department of Economics and Statistics. Director of Industries and Commerce Department and Special Officer of Plantations Sri. Mir Mohammed Ali IAS inaugurated the program. The keynote speaker was Sri. P.C. Mohanan, Chairman of the Kerala State Statistical Commission. Sri. Manoj M., Additional Director (State Income), Association of Planters of Kerala Chairman, Sri. Prince Thomas George, Additional Director (General) Sri. Vinodan T.P., Additional Director (Prices) Dr. K.G. Geetha, and Inspector of Plantations Pathanamthitta Sri. Anilkumar offered felicitations. Senior Joint Director of the Survey Design Division, Smt. Sudarsha R., expressed gratitude.



Advanced Training on Web Application Development in PHP Laravel

A ten days training programme on web application development in advanced PHP Laravel framework was conducted from 10th to 15th February 2025 at SASA with the technical support of C-DIT, Thiruvananthapuram. Six employees from the Department attended this Phase II training. In this connection, a Phase I training for 10 days was organized at SASA for the same batch of employees in 2023-24.



Regional Training on Prices at Thiruvananthapuram

A two-day annual training programme on Prices for the officials in Southern region was held at Directorate Training hall in Thiruvananthapuram from 10th to 11th February 2025. Director Sri. Sreekumar B. inaugurated the programme presided over by Additional Director (Prices) Dr. K.G. Geetha. Assistant Director Sri. Rajendran Nair welcomed the participants. Kerala Vyapari Vyavasayi Ekopana Samithi State Secretary Sri. V. Vijayan, Kerala Vyapari Vyavasayi Samithi State Vice President Sri. V. Pappachan, Market Intelligence Division (GOI) section officer Smt. Profulla Pillai, Additional Director (General) Sri. Vinodan T.P., and Additional Director (State Income) Sri. Manoj M. offered felicitations. Regional Statistical Officer Smt. S. Sreekala expressed gratitude.



Regional Training on Prices at Kozhikode



A two-day training programme for price collection for the officials in Northern region was held in Kozhikode from 14th to 15th February 2025. The program was inaugurated by Director of Economics and Statistics Department Sri. Sreekumar B. Additional Director (Prices) Dr. K.G. Geetha presided over the event. Director of the National Statistical Office (ISS) Regional Office Kozhikode, Sri. Muhammad Yasir delivered the keynote address. The welcome address was presented by executive members of the Kerala Traders and Industrialists Association Sri. Varun Bhaskar and Sri. Abdul Rasheed. The District Deputy Director Sri. Rajesh V delivered falcitation. Sri. Abdullah M. Additional District Officer delivered vote of thanks. Assistant Director Sri. Rajendran Nair, Research Officer Sri. Lal C.V., Statistical Inspector Sri. Bipin Chandrapal M, Statistical Assistant Sri. Vipin Venugopal and Smt. Sunitha K. Nair delivered classes on a various kinds of of price collection-related topics.

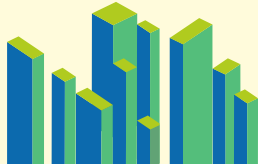
Training on Evaluation Survey

The state-level training programme for the Evaluation Survey on Soil Conservation 2024-25 was held on 7th February 2025. The programme was inaugurated by Director of Economics and Statistics Department Sri. Sreekumar B. The function was presided over by Sri. Manoj M., Additional Director (State Income). The programme was felicitated by Kerala State Land Use Board Commissioner Smt. Yasmin Rashid, Additional Director (Prices), Dr. K.G. Geetha, Additional Director (General), Sri. Vinodan T.P., and Additional Director (Soil Conservation Department), Sri. Anandabose. Sri. Abhilash K., Deputy Director of the Evaluation Division welcomed the participants. Sri. Rajesh Kumar, Research Officer expressed vote of thanks. The revised manual and schedule for the Evaluation Survey on Soil Conservation Schemes were also released during the event by the Director.



Training on Financial Prudence

A one-day training programme on Financial Prudence was held in hybrid mode at Directorate Conference Hall on 20th February 2025. The Director Sri. Sreekumar B. welcomed this programme. Sri. Rajan Nair, former Additional Secretary in the Finance Department handled the class. All section heads, staff in budget and accounts sections in the directorate, all district Deputy Directors, all Taluk Statistical Officers, DDOs and staff dealing with financial matters in districts attended the programme. Sri. D. S. Shibukumar, Deputy Director and Training Manager expressed gratitude for this programme.



National Training on Soft Skills



A five day national – level training programme on “Soft Skills, Personality Development, and Professional Excellence” for Junior Statistical Officers ushered at the State Academy on Statistical Administration (SASA) on 17th to 21st February 2025. The programme was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Jiju P Alex, Member of State Planning Board, Kerala. Sri Vibeesh E M., ISS, Deputy Director General, NSO FOD, Thiruvananthapuram delivered special address. The meeting was presided over by Sri. Sreekumar B., Director of SASA and Director of DES, Govt. of Kerala. Sri. Manoj M., Additional Director (State Income), Department of Economics and Statistics delivered welcome address, and Sri. D. S. Shibukumar, Deputy Director and Training Manager (SASA) cast the vote of thanks. The programme was attended by Junior Statistical Officers assigned to various divisions in the Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation (MoSPI).

Training on Sample registration Survey

One day in-service training programme on Sample Registration Survey was held on 4th February 2025. Welcome speech was delivered by Sri. Vinodan T.P. (Additional Director (General), and introductory speech by Shri. Sreekumar B., Director. Additional District Officers (SRS) and Section assistants from all districts participated in the programme. Shri. Haris K.M., Deputy Director and Shri. Suresh Nadoran, Assistant Director from Directorate of Census Operations, Poonkulam, handled classes on various sections. Vote of thanks was delivered by Smt. Yamuna A.R., Deputy Director (Vital Statistics).



Training on Data Management in MS Access

25 employees in the cadre of Statistical Assistant Grade II to Assistant Director from the directorate, field offices and line departments have attended this two day training programme on MS Access held at SASA Computer Lab from 24th to 25th February 2025. Sri. Abhilash K.V., Research Officer handled the classes.

Reports released by the Department in February 2025

1. Consumer Price Index for Rural/ Urban and Combined for the month of October 2024
2. Consumer Price Index for Rural/ Urban and Combined for the month of November 2024
3. Annual review of Crop Statistics System in Kerala 2023-24
4. Annual average market prices of building materials and labour wages 2022-23
5. Medical certification of cause of death 2023
6. Medical certification of cause of death 2022
7. Report of cost of cultivation of important crops in Kerala 2022-23

