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*(Programmes and Events conducted during June 2025)*

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS & STATISTICS

# ECOSTAT BULLETIN

## NEWSLETTER

### **Observed World Environment Day 2025**

The Directorate of Economics & Statistics observed World Environment Day 2025 on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025 with due solemnity. The event was chaired by Sri. G.S. Rajath, Director of the Department of Economics and Statistics. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. T.S. Preetha, Professor, Department of Botany, University College, Thiruvananthapuram who delivered the keynote address anchoring her remarks on this year's global theme—"Beat Plastic Pollution". Dr. Preetha explained the environmental and societal impacts of plastic waste in her speech. She emphasized the urgent need for collective action and sustainable practices to combat this growing threat. Smt. C.P. Resmi, Additional Director (State Income), Smt. Shylamma K., Joint Director, Agricultural Census and all staff attended the ceremony.

### **Training on NSS 80<sup>th</sup> Round Survey on Social Consumption**

A training program on Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) – Original Version, in connection with the NSS 80<sup>th</sup> Round Survey on Social Consumption: Health, was conducted on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at the Training Hall of the Department of Economics and Statistics. The program was inaugurated by Sri. G. S. Rajath, the Director of the Department. Sri. Vibeesh E. M., Deputy Director General (DDG), NSO Regional Office, Thiruvananthapuram, Smt. C. P. Resmi, Additional Director (State Income) were present. The sessions were handled by Sri. Preeth.V. S., Nosologist and Smt. Remya K., Assistant Director, NSS Division. Staff members of the NSS Division from various districts as well as from the Directorate actively participated in the training program.

### **Celebrated the 19<sup>th</sup> National Statistics Day**

With seamless organization and spirited involvement, the Directorate of Economics and Statistics celebrated the 19<sup>th</sup> National Statistics Day with ease and enthusiasm. The four-day celebration from the 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June 2025 that held in the training hall of the Directorate of Economics and Statistics to honour the 19<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Dr. P.C. Mahalanobis, the father of Indian Statistics, witnessed vibrant participation and showcased a sense of grandeur befitting the significance of the occasion.

The 19<sup>th</sup> National Statistics Day was observed on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2025, in lieu of June 29, Sunday, being a holiday, in the Directorate training hall. The event was chaired by Sri. G. S. Rajath, Director. Prof. Jiju. P. Alex, Member of the State Planning Board, inaugurated the function and delivered the keynote address on “Regional Development and Statistical Data”. He also unveiled four publications - Report on Analysis of Miscellaneous Prices 2021, Report on Analysis of Miscellaneous Prices 2022, Report on Analysis of Farm Price 2021, and Report on Analysis of Farm Price 2022 - prepared by the Prices Division during the session. Prof. Jiju P. Alex felicitated the winners of the "Know & Grow-2025" quiz competition organized for the staff. Retired Professor Smt. G. Lasitha from Kerala University presented an insightful talk on contributions of Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis to the country's statistical system. The Director graciously presented mementos to the distinguished guests, extending sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks on behalf of the Directorate. The theme for the 19<sup>th</sup> National Statistics Day was “75 Years of the National Sample Survey,” and Sri. Abhilash.K., Deputy Director (Evaluation) made a presentation on this. Sri P. V. Abdul Rajib, Joint Director (PIE&MD), delivered a presentation on the Sustainable Development Goals. Smt. Resmi. C.P, Additional Director (State Income), Smt. Yamuna A. R., Joint Director (S&D), Sri. Gopakumar S., Joint Director (EARES), Senior Administrative Officer Sri. Sam Joseph and all staff were felicitated the programme.

### Report presentation

On 26<sup>th</sup> the Directorate witnessed some insightful presentations including ‘Kannur Vivara Sanchayika’ by Sri. Premarajan E.V., Deputy Director (Vital Statistics), ‘District Level Report Preparation with a special focus on the Samagram Kattakada Report’ by Sri. Anishkumar.B., Deputy Director, Thiruvananthapuram District and ‘Situation Assessment Survey on Agricultural Households in Kerala 2024-25’ by Sri. Vijay R, Assistant Director, Directorate. A general discussion on the aforementioned reports was conducted under the leadership of Smt. Resmi C.P., Additional Director (State Income)

### Quiz Programmes conducted

As part of the Statistics Day celebrations on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025, a quiz competition titled "Know & Grow - 2025" was conducted for the staff of the Directorate of Economics and Statistics, as well as those from the line departments in Thiruvananthapuram district. The quiz aimed to deepen understanding of the department's core functions and initiatives. The quiz programme was skillfully conducted by Sri. Abdul Gafoor, Assistant Director (IIP), and Sri. Ajeesh Joseph, Assistant Director (EARAS), with the expert guidance of Sri. Abhinesh S.S., Deputy Director (AGC), and Sri. Premarajan E.V., Deputy Director (Vital Statistics). Smt. Priya. K. Mohan, Statistical Assistant Grade II and Smt. Lekshmi. P.S, Statistical Assistant Grade I of the Directorate of Public Instruction bagged the First Prize. Sri. Vipin Venugopal, Statistical Assistant Grade II and Smt. Vineetha.T, Statistical Assistant Grade II of the Directorate of Economics and Statistics won the Second Prize whereas Smt. Amritha. E.S, Research Officer and Smt. Sindhu.S, Statistical Assistant Grade II of the Directorate of Economics and Statistics won the Third Prize.

As part of the 19<sup>th</sup> Statistics Day celebrations, the Directorate of Economics and Statistics organized a quiz competition titled "Quiz Tics 2025" for Postgraduate students studying Statistics as an elective subject under accredited universities in Kerala. A total of 26 teams from various colleges across the state registered for the event, of which 24 qualifying teams participated in an online screening round held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025. Seven teams were selected for the final round. The final round took place on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025, at the Directorate training hall, with Sri. Sajin Gopi, Assistant Director (State Income), expertly handled the

quiz proceedings. The team comprising Sri. Abel Saju and Sri. Thomas J. Vazhackal from Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha, clinched first place, winning a cash prize of Rs. 3,000 along with certificates. The runner-up position was secured by Kum. Nivedya Premanand and Kum. Anusree Sudhakaran from Kannur University Campus, who received Rs. 2,000 and certificates. The third place went to the Nirmala College team of Kum. Lakshmi M. Shaji and Kum. Geethika Baburaj, who were awarded Rs. 1,000 and certificates.

### **New Director taken charge**

Sri. G.S. Rajath has taken charge as the new Director (full additional charge) of Department of Economics & Statistics on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025.

### **Reports released by the department in June 2025**

1. Market Price of Building Materials and Labour Wage Rates for the Third Quarter of 2024-25
2. Evaluation Study on Soil Conservation in Kollam District 2022-23
3. Third Advance estimate of area and production of crops 2024-25

### **Open Datasets released by DES in June 2025**

1. State level Birth and Death Rates in Kerala from 1967 to 2023
2. State Level Registration of Birth and Death from 1967 to 2023
3. District wise Registration of Birth and Death from 1967 to 2023
4. District wise Birth and Death Rates in Kerala from 1967 to 2023

### **Unit level Datasets released by DES in June 2025**

Building Statistics from 2001-02 to 2021-22