

**Seminar Report Submitted by Department of political science,  
Krishna Menon Memorial Government Women's College, Kannur,  
Affiliated to Kannur University.**

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**ONE DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR ON**

**DEMOCRACY IN INDIA: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES.**

Sponsored by the Institute of Parliamentary Affairs. Government of Kerala.

**28/11/22. Venue College Seminar Hall.**

Democracy is a form of government, a pattern of social life where the participant actors enjoy the full benefit of freedom, equality, and liberty. The UN observes that “democracy is a universal value based on the freely expressed will of the people to determine their political, economic, social and cultural systems and their full participation in all aspects of their lives” In a broader sense, democracy is not only a form of government and state, but also a condition of society. A number of features can be attributed to a democracy. Written constitution, rule of law, human rights, independent media and judiciary, separation of powers between executive, judiciary and legislature could be described as some of the basic features of democracy. With more than 800 million eligible voters, India is often referred to as the largest democracy in the world.

**Programme Schedule.**

Welcome-Dr Vijayan K (HOD, Dept of History, Senate Member, Kannur University).

Presidential Address- Dr CP Santhosh (Principal, KMM Govt. Women's College Kannur.

Inauguration                      Sri KV Sumesh (MLA, Azhikode)

Felicitation                      Dr.Shahul Hammed K (Vice-Principal)  
    Dr Nisha Nambiar (IQAC, Co-ordinator)  
    Sri Sumesh PV (Office Superintendent)

    Miss Fathima Nooha (Chairman College Union)

Vote Of Thanks                  Sri Pramesh A (HOD, Political Science.)

**Technical Session 1    10.15 to 11.15 AM**

Chair                                      DR Geetha E (Associate Professor in History)

Dr Arun Kumar—Dept. of Political Science, University of Kerala.

Topic-                      Constitutional Morality and Democracy in India: Some Critical Reflections.

**Technical Session II    11.30 To 1 PM**

Chair    Dr Vinoy Joseph (Asst.Professor, Department of History Govt. College, Uduma Kasaragod)

Dr Vinod Navath (Associate Professor of History, Govt Brennen College Thalasseri

Topic- Public reasoning, Democracy and Secularism: Legacy of Indian Nation.

Sri Ajith P G (Assistant Professor in Political Science, Govt College Madappally. Vadakara.

Topic-Republican Myths and Reality in India: An Analysis

**Technical Session III 1.30 to 3.30 PM**

Chair- Sri Jose MA (Assistant Professor of History, KMM Govt Women's College Knnur)

Dr Ajith Kumar (Assistant Professor in Political Science, Payyanur College, Payyannur)

Dr Ganesan D A (Assistant Professor in Political Science, EKNM Govt College, Elerithattu, Kasaragod.

**Technical Session IV 3.30 to .4.30 PM**

Chair: Sreekala VP (Asst: Professor in Political Science, Govt. College, Kasaragod.

Sri Umesh. K (Assistant Professor in Political Science, Govt College Madappally

Topic-Constitutional Morality and judiciary

Dr. Santhosh Mathew-Associate Professor, Centre For South Asian Studies, School of International Studies Social Sciences Pondicherry Central University, India.

Topic-Rethinking Democracy Through South Asia

**4.30 PM Valedictory Session.**

The seminar was inaugurated by Sri K.V Sumesh (MLA) at 9.30 am at seminar hall. College Principal Dr C.P Santhosh presided the session. In the presidential address he made a general idea about democracy and importance of democratic values in society. The Welcome Speeh was made by Dr Vijayan, Head of the department of History. In this session the felicitation speeches made by Dr Shahul Hameed (The Vice- Principal of our college), Dr Nisha Nambiar (IQAC Co-ordinator), and Office superintend Sumesh K and finally Miss Nida Fathima (The joint Secretary of the College Union). The seminar was attended by more than 118 students from Economics and History Department and also from other departments. More than 22 faculties from various colleges also attended seminar.

In the welcome speech, Dr Vijayan K made a brief explanation about the development of democracy in the world especially in Greek City - State. He also highlighted the major difference between old democracy and the modern democratic practices. He spoke about the crisis of inclusion and exclusion in the democratic process in India.

After the welcome speech the inaugural speech was made by Sri K.V.Sumesh , MLA, Azhikode constituency. He started his speech by explaining the democratic experiment in our neighbouring countries. He highlighted the crisis of democratic process in Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh. He said ‘The world is running behind one ball’ without any religious or ethnic differences. This unity is needed in all democratic processes, showing the example of current football world cup. The main focus of his critical analysis was the influence of religion, cast and communal polarisation in the present democratic practices in India. He memorised the democratic practices in India during the Nehruvian Legacy and make a comparative analysis of democratic experiment in the current situation. He also highlighted the need for pluralism and the concept of inclusion of democracy in India.

The Key-Note address was made by Dr Arun Kumar K Assistant professor, Political Science, University of Kerala and journalist. He started his speech by explaining the debates happened in the Constituent Assembly of India while framing the Constitution of our country. The core argument of his talk was to make an analysis of the concept of constitutional morality. To make a clear- cut idea about constitutional morality, he explained phase by phase development of democratic process in India. He also cited various judgement made by the Supreme Court of India in the different context to strengthen the concept of constitutional morality. He also explained the democratic process in Kerala with the help of various Malayalam stories related to cast- system. He made an attempt to explain the Preamble of the Constitution sentence by sentence. In the concluding remarks he highlighted fourteen points to recognise a fascist state. He said on the basis of these points we can understand whether a State is fascist or not.

### **Seminar Papers**

1 Dr. AJITH KUMAR P: TITLE OF THE PAPER -DIGITAL TOOLS IN DEMOCRACY: IMPLICATIONS AND IMPERATIVES -

2 AJITH P G, TITLE OF THE PAPER- REPUBLICANISM: MYTHS AND REALITY IN INDIA. -.

3 Dr. GANSAN D A, TITLE OF THE PAPER: THE WORKING OF DEMOCRACY IN INDIA: PROBLEMS AND PROSPECTS.

4 UMESH K, TITLE OF THE PAPER: “CONSTITUTIONAL MORALITY STILL TO BE DEFINED” A JUDICIAL PERSPECTIVE.

5 Dr.VINODAN NAVATH. TITLE OF THE PAPER - PUBLIC REASONING, DEMOCRACY AND SECULARISM: LEGACY OF INDIAN NATION

## Krishna Menon Memorial Lecture

The Krishna Menon Memorial Lecture Series is a hallmark of the college. The lecture for the year was delivered by Prof. V. Karthikeyan Nair, Former Director Kerala Bhasha Institute on 23-02-2023

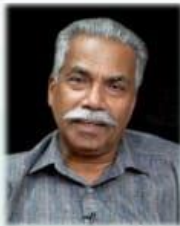
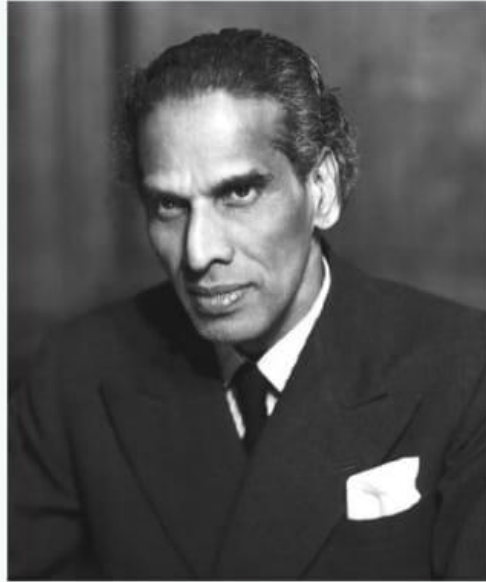
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**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY & P T A**

**KRISHNA MENON MEMORIAL LECTURE  
2022 - 2023**



**SPEAKER**

**Prof. V Karthikeyan Nair**  
(Former Director, Kerala Bhasha Institute  
Thiruvananthapuram)

**23 February 2023 @ 10:30 A M**  
**COLLEGE SEMINAR HALL**



### **PROF. C.P PRABHAKARAN & DR. P SURENDRAN MEMORIAL LECTURE AND ENDOWMENT DISTRIBUTION**

P.G Department of Economics, K.M.M Govt. Women's College, Kannur organized Prof. C.P Prabhakaran & Dr. P Surendran Memorial Lecture and Endowment Distribution on 16/01/2023 at College Seminar hall. The programme started with an observation of silence in memory of Dr. P. Raghavan, former Head of the Department of the college. Dr. Toby Joseph Mathew K.K, Head of the department welcomed the gathering. Principal, Dr. Santhosh C.P delivered presidential address. Commemoration speech was delivered by Sri. C.M Thomas, Associate Professor (Rtd). Dr. K. Ravi Raman inaugurated the function and delivered the memorial lecture.

The lecture was on the topic "Fiscal Federalism and Kerala Economy". He noted that under the new fiscal framework in India, especially after the introduction of GST, the fiscal spaces of states are being eroded. The GST is originally considered as the bane to our state, but not grown up to the

expectations. This is mainly because the over simplification of the tax structure, so that many luxury commodities are not been put into the umbrella of higher taxes. Now with the withdrawal of GST Compensation Scheme, State Governments are strangled due to lack of adequate funds.

He stressed the need for cooperative federalism. He maintained that the constitution of India has guaranteed the state governments with adequate provisions for the discharge of their constitutional rights. The constitution ensures the fund sharing mechanism by the setting up of a constitutional body to look after it, i.e., the Finance Commission of India. The successive finance commissions discharged their duties by framing the conditions for sharing the divisible pool of taxes from time to time.

The endowment awards were handed over to Miss. Devika Satheesh, being the U.G topper and Miss. Arya T.K, being the P.G topper by Dr. Ravi Raman. Meritorious students in arts, sports and academics were honoured by presenting mementoes. The function was felicitated by Dr. Shahul Hameed K, Vice-Principal, Dr. Vijayan K, Senate member, Kannur University, Dr. K.K Somasekharan, Former Head, Department of Economics, Sri. Praveen Kumar, P.T.A Vice President, Dr. Nisha Nambiar, IQAC Co-ordinator and Kum. Fathima Nooha M, College Union Chair Person. The function ended with the presentation of vote of thanks by Dr. Sindhu. N, Co-ordinator of the programme.



### ONE DAY SEMINAR ON IMPORTANCE OF DATA IN PRESENT ERA & VARIOUS SURVEYS OF NSO

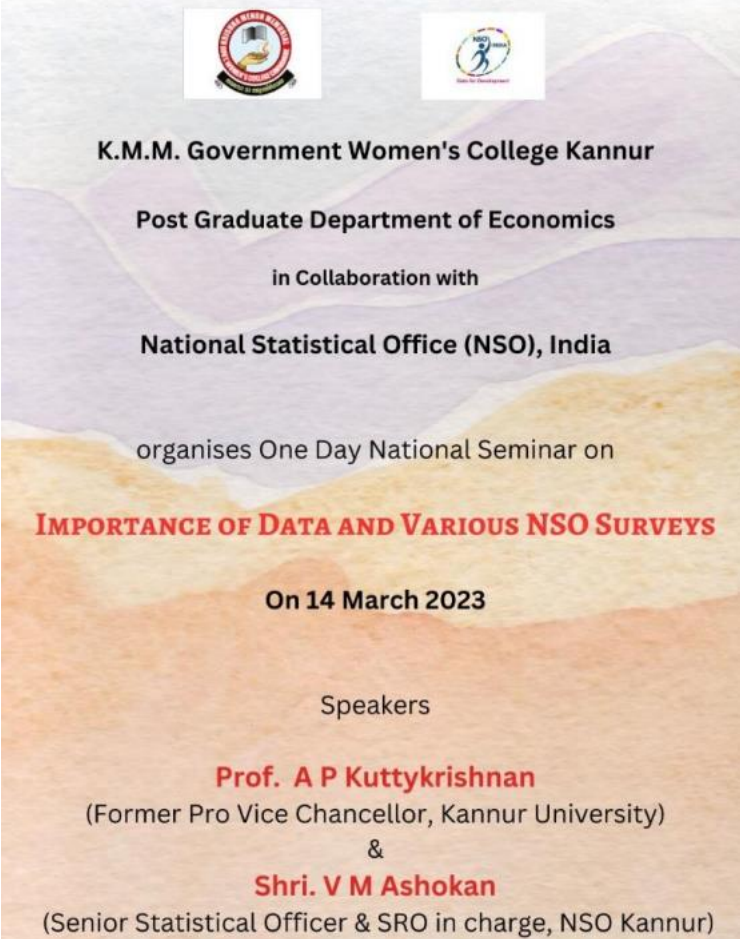
The Post Graduate Department of Economics, Krishna Menon Memorial Govt. Women's College, in collaboration with National Statistical Office, Government of India conducted a one-day seminar on “Importance of Data in Present Era & Various Surveys of NSO” on 14th March 2023. The departments of Mathematics & Statistics also participated in this programme.

National Statistical Office (NSO) under the Union Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation has been conducting large scale sample surveys, called National Sample Survey, since its inception in 1950, covering various aspects of Indian population and economy. National Sample Survey has been an authentic source of Data and information for tracking, analyzing and making inference on key characteristics of Indian population and economy. Results emanating from these surveys have helped the Central as well as the State Government in the formulation of strategies for inclusive growth and development.

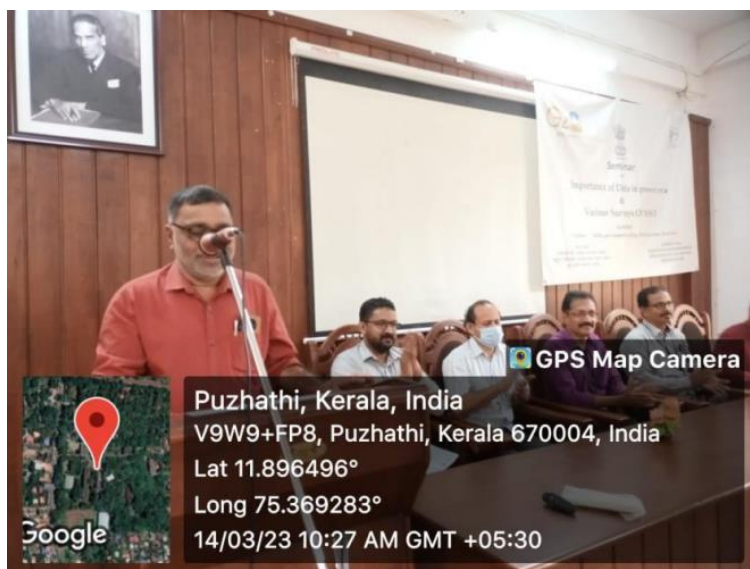
The function was presided by Dr. C P Santhosh, (Principal, Krishnemenon Memorial Govt. Women’s College Kannur) and inaugurated by Dr. A. P Kuttikrishnan (former Pro Vice Chancellor, Kannur University, and former Head of the Department of Statistics, Sir Syed College Thalipparamba). In his inaugural address, Dr. A. P Kuttikrishnan highlighted the importance data in the present century. He emphasised the importance of reliability and authenticity of data, and the need for the correct methodology for sample surveys. He was very much assertive about the role that NSO and its various wings such as NSSO, CSO, Census are played for the development of the country. Dr. Toby Joseph, Mathew K K chaired the session, and summarised the points delivered in the lecturer. Towards the end of the Keynote address, there was a brief doubt clearing session, the students were well attended the session and expressed their enthusiasm to know more about the scope for further learning in this area. They were particularly anxious about the opportunities waiting for them in the data science and analytics field.

The second Session was chaired by Shri. Sirajudheen P K, Head of the department of Statistics. The talk was delivered by Sri. K Ashokan (Senior Statistical Officer, NSO Kannur). His talk was mainly concentrated on introducing various surveys that were conducted by the Field Operation Division of NSSO. The students were actively taking part in the discussions, the doubts raised by them were addressed by the speaker as well as the other Senior Statistical Offices (Sri. V M Ashokan, Smt. V Bindu & Smt. Ramya) who were present there. Earlier, the inaugural session was felicitated by Shri. V M ASHOKAN (Senior Statistical Officer & SRO in charge, NSO Kannur), Sri Sirajudheen P K,(HoD,

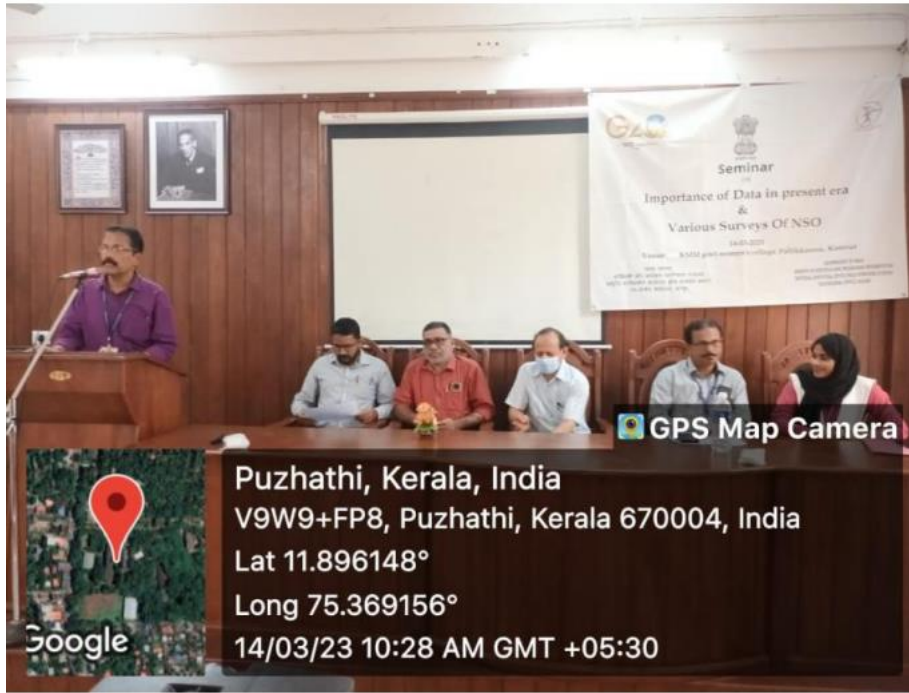
Department of Statistics), Dr. Nisha Nambiar (IQAC Co-ordinator), Dr. Vijayan K (University Senate Member) & Kum. Fathima Nooha (College Union Chairperson). Four Senior Statistical Officers, and Six Junior Statistical Officers from NSSO were also attended the session. Smt. V Bindu (Senior Statistical Officer NSO Kannur) delivered the Vote of Thanks. Dr. Shanavas P H, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics was the Coordinator of the Programme.



The poster features two logos at the top: the K.M.M. Government Women's College Kannur logo on the left and the National Statistical Office (NSO) logo on the right. The background is a stylized landscape with purple and orange hills. The text is centered and reads: "K.M.M. Government Women's College Kannur", "Post Graduate Department of Economics", "in Collaboration with", "National Statistical Office (NSO), India", "organises One Day National Seminar on", "**IMPORTANCE OF DATA AND VARIOUS NSO SURVEYS**", "On 14 March 2023", "Speakers", "Prof. A P Kuttykrishnan (Former Pro Vice Chancellor, Kannur University)", "&", "Shri. V M Ashokan (Senior Statistical Officer & SRO in charge, NSO Kannur)".







One Day Seminar organised by Folklore Club on “Folklore: Notions and Perspectives”


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**കേരള ഫോക്ലോർ അക്കാദമി, കണ്ണൂർ**

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