DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT
PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY

NAAC REPORT

Name of the Department            :  Economics

Main aims of the Department

- Imparting knowledge in various branches of Economics with focus on both theoretical and quantitative aspects
- Promotion and dissemination of research
- Organization of lectures by eminent scholars
- Conduct of conferences, seminars and workshops
- Producing qualitative P.G., M.Phil., and Ph.D. Students for placements

Name of Head : Prof. M. RAMADASS (on EOL for five years, 2004-09)

Name of Faculty Members :  Dr. M. Ramadass, Sr. Professor
Dr. P. Ibrahim, Professor
Dr. M. Ramachandran, Professor
Dr. P. Muthaiyan, Reader
Dr. J. Srinivasan, Reader
Dr. V. Nirmala, Reader (On Sabbatical leave)

Programme offered in the Department

Post Graduate Programme

i) M.A. APPLIED ECONOMETRICS (2001-06)
   M.A. DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS (2001-06)

ii) M.A. APPLIED ECONOMICS (SINCE 2006-07)

II. Research Programme:

i) M. Phil
ii) Ph.D.
Number of students admitted to P.G. Program during the last five years

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Student Teacher Ratio during the last five years

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No. of Administrative Staff Appointed (2004-09) : Nil
No. of Technical Staff Appointed (2004-09) : Nil
Success Rate of Students (2004-09) : 99 per cent
No. of Students Passed in NET/SLET (2004-09) : 7 (Seven)
No. of Computers (2004-09) : 55
Annual Budget : Rs. 65,000/-

National and International Seminars/Conferences

- conducted by the Department : 3 National Seminars

National and International Seminars/Conferences attended by Faculty Members (2004-09)

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I. International Level:

**Dr. P. Ibrahim**

2. Contributed a paper “Health care system in Kerala, “Need for a Policy shift in the International conference on fifty years of Kerala’s Development, organized by the Department of Economics, University of Kerala, Trivandrum on 15\textsuperscript{th} and 16\textsuperscript{th} February 2006.

3. Contributed a paper titled, “Interest free Banking, complementary relevance in the International seminar on Islamic Banking : Equity and Justice” held at New Delhi on 19\textsuperscript{th} and 20\textsuperscript{th} February 2006 organised under the joint auspices of Jamaate Islamic Hind and Indian Association for Islamic Economics.

**Dr. M. Ramachandran**


**Dr. V. Nirmala**


2. “The Impact of Liberalization Policy on Labour Market in India: A Gender Analysis”, Annual Conference of Program on Knowledge Networking and Capacity Building on Gender, Macro economics and International Economics, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, United States, 12-13 June 2005


II. National Level

Dr. P. Ibrahim


4. Presented a paper on “Impact of Emigration on the Educational and Health sector of Malabar in the seminar on Kerala Economy, on 26 Feb. 05 conducted by Economics Department, Kannur University, Kannur.

5. Presented a paper entitled “Energy option for the state of Kerala – A case study in the Sixth National Seminar on Modern Trends in Power Engineering and Development conducted by the postgraduate Engineers Association from November 25-27, 2004 at Trivandrum

6. Presented a paper on Zakath and modern economic system organized as part of the Zakath campaign organized by JIH, Kerala unit at Ernakulam on 3rd September 2004


9. Presented a paper titled, “Inequalities on the level and incidence of poverty : An intercommunity analysis with special reference to Kerala in the two day National seminar on Economic reforms and Regional Inequality in India, held on 5th and 6th January 2006 under the auspices of Department of Applied Economics, Kannoor University


11. “Recent trends in Emigration from Kerala”, at the Department of Applied Economics, Kannur University, Kerala on 19th March 2008


14. Gulf Emigration and Social Change in the Muslim Community of Kerala”, in the National Seminar on Islamic Society of Kerala after Independence Problems and Perspectives, organized by Malabar Institute of Research and Development, Vadakara, Calicut, on 16\textsuperscript{th} and 17\textsuperscript{th} July 2009.

**Dr. M. Ramachandran**


7. Venugopal, J., M. Pradeep Kumar and M. Ramachandran (2006), “Capital Account Liberalisation in India: Implications for Economic Growth” 42\textsuperscript{nd} Indian Econometric Society Conference, Amritsar, January 5\textsuperscript{th} to 7\textsuperscript{th}.

8. Raja Sethu Durai, S. and M Ramachandran (2006), “Core Inflation for India” 42\textsuperscript{nd} Indian Econometric Society Conference, Amritsar, January 5\textsuperscript{th} to 7\textsuperscript{th}.

9. N Srinivasan, V. Mahambare, and M Ramachandran (2006), “Modelling Inflation in India: A Critique of Structuralist approach” 42\textsuperscript{nd} Indian Econometric Society Conference, Amritsar, January 5\textsuperscript{th} to 7\textsuperscript{th}.

10. Venugopal, J., M. Pradeep Kumar and M. Ramachandran (2005), “Capital Account Liberalisation in India: Implications for Economic Growth” 9\textsuperscript{th} Capital Market Conference, Indian Institute of Capital Market, Mumbai, 19\textsuperscript{th} to 20\textsuperscript{th} December.

**Dr. P. Muthaiyan**

1. “Accessibility to Higher Education-Certain Issues and Challenges”, in the National conference on issues and challenged in higher education held at Gobi Arts College, Erode, and Tamil Nadu.


**Dr. V. Nirmala**


**Dr. J. Srinivasan**


4. “Economic growth, Poverty and Human Development in India: Regional Differences” in the one day National seminar on Economic growth, Poverty and Human Development, organized


Dr. P. Ibrahim


5. “Kerala under Morbidity Trap”, Kerala Calling, March 2007 (Jointly with A. Asokan)


Dr. M. Ramachandran


Dr. P. Muthaiyan


Dr. V. Nirmala


**Dr. J. Srinivasan**


**Awards and Recognition received by Faculty Members (2004-2009)**

**Dr. M. Ramachandran**

1. Member, Advisory Council, Madras Chamber of Commerce, Chennai (Since 2002).

2. Member, Round Table Public Expenditure Forum, Chennai (Since 2002).

3. Member, Research Advisory Committee, Clearing Corporation of India Ltd, Mumbai (Since 2004).

4. Member, Advisory Council, Pondicherry Institute for Development Research and Action.

5. Member, Board of Studies, Annamalai University

6. Referee for Applied Economics Journal

7. Referee for Journal of Quantitative Economics

8. Referee for Indian Economic Journal

**Dr. P. Muthaiyan**

1. Founder Chief Editor for Asian Journal of Business Management (AJBM) since 2008

Dr. V. Nirmala


c. Member of African Programme on Rethinking Development Economics (APORDE), South Africa, Since June 2008.

d. Invitee to Workshop on Trade Liberalization Policies & (FTAs): Social and Gender Implications of EU-India FTA, Organized by Heinrich Boll Foundation (India) in Collaboration with WIDE-Network Women in Development Europe (Brussels) and South Asia Institute (New Delhi), World Habitat Centre, New Delhi, 25 - 26 March 2008.


g. Chaired Session on “Globalisation and its Impacts” at the 16th Annual Conference on Feminist Economics, International Association For Feminist Economics, Ramkhamhaeng University, Bangkok, Thailand, 30 June 2007.

h. Visiting Professor to Department of Economics, University of Hyderabad, (P.O.) Central University, Gachibowli, Hyderabad – 500 046, 02-31 January 2007.

i. Board Member of International Telecommunication Association, MINT, Evry, France, Since December 2005.

j. Member of GEM-IWG, University of Utah, Utah, USA, Since May – June 2005.


l. Indian Society of Agricultural Economics (Life member).

m. The Indian Econometrics Society (Life member).

n. Indian Association for Women’s Studies (Life member).

o. International Association for Feminist Economics (Member).
Seminars/Conferences/Workshops Organised by Department of Economics (2004-2009)

1. One-Day National Seminar on Indian Economy: The Post Liberalization Scenario, Bi-Decennial Celebrations, Hosted by Department of Economics, School of Management, at Executive Hall, Pondicherry University, Puducherry – 605 014, Friday 27 October 2006.

2. Symposia on Union Budget 2007-08, Hosted by Department of Economics, School of Management, at Jawaharlal Nehru Auditorium, Pondicherry University, Puducherry – 605 014, Wednesday 28 March 2007.


5. National Conference on Higher Education, Co-Hosted by Department of Economics, School of Management, Pondicherry University, along with Department of Management Studies, at College Seminar Hall, Rajiv Gandhi College of Engineering and Technology, Kirumampakkam, Puducherry, 09 April 2009.


