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FROM THE DIRECTOR

This is my first time in the Chronicle and I am delighted to be able to write here.

During the quarter October-December, 2010 we have many events at CDS. First there have been the seminars organised by our faculty. Undoubtedly, the most prominent among these was the one on the Indian Economy held in December. Centred around the theme '20 years of liberalisation' it attracted many economists and social scientists from across India. The proceedings were a heady mix of argumentation and wise counsel, and the feedback that we received is that it was a resounding success!

We have also had visitors presenting seminars. A particularly distinguished visitor was Professor

Perry Anderson. A legendary editor of the 'New Left Review,' Professor Anderson spoke on 'intellectuals' in a lecture which drew a substantial audience from outside the Centre. I see the event as a successful instance of our outreach activities. As our guests, Professor Anderson and Dr. Chaohua Wang spoke in several *fora* in the city.

Finally, our activities were not merely academic. Among the things we did was to have an evening of music under the banner of 'Madhurima'. As I was travelling I was unable to attend, but I am informed that a good time was had by all!

Pulapre Balakrishnan

SEMINARS

K.J. Joseph

(Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum)

**Towards Replanting Plantation
Development In India: An Analysis from
Inclusive Growth Perspective**

1 October

(email: kjoseph@cds.ac.in)

Vasant A. Sukhatme

(Edward J. Noble Professor of Economics,
Department of Economics, Macalester College,
St. Paul. USA.)

**The United States Financial and Economic
Crisis of 2007-09: Causes, Consequences
and Responses to It**

15 November

(http://works.bepress.com/vasant_sukhatme/)

M. Parameswaran

(Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum)

Global Financial Crisis and Kerala Economy

12 November

(email: parameswaran@cds.ac.in)

T. S. Papola

(Honorary Professor Institute for Studies in
Industrial Development {ISID}, New Delhi)

**Structure of India's Economic Growth: Trends
and Implications**

16 November

(email: tpapola@rediffmail.com)

Chaohua Wang

(Research Fellow, Academica Sinica
Taipei, China)

"Can China Save You?"

23 November

(http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chaohua_Wang)

CONFERENCES / WORKSHOPS

Work-in-Progress Workshop on Monitoring the Implementation of Social Security for the Working Poor in India's Informal Economy

(CDS- ASSR Research Project on Social Security)

Co-ordinator: K.P. Kannan

8-9 November



K.P. Kannan, CDS along with Prof. Jan Breman of the Amsterdam School of Social Sciences, Netherlands has been currently engaged in a HIVOS (Netherlands) funded project on monitoring the implementation of social security for the working poor in India's informal economy. This ongoing research is a comparative study of five Indian states, viz. Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Kerala, Orissa and Punjab and thereby involves various state-level researchers as well. In this context, a workshop was organised at CDS during 8-9 November, 2010 for periodic assessment of the state-level studies. The workshop was also to suggest corrections and modifications so that the different studies could be woven into a uniform analytical framework.

Distinguished scholars like Prof. Jan Breman, Prof D. Narasimha Reddy (Visiting Professor, Institute for Human Development, New Delhi), Prof Sucha

Singh Gill (Director General, Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development, Chandigarh), Prof K.P. Aravindan (Professor of Pathology, Medical College, Kozhikode), Prof T.P. Kunhi Kannan (CKGM Government College, Perambra, Kozhikode), Prof Darshini Mahadevia (Faculty of Planning and Public Policy, CEPT University, Ahmedabad), Dr. Satyakam Joshi (Centre for Social Studies, Surat), Dr. G. Vijay (Department of Economics, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad), Dr. Rathikanta Kumbhar (Department of Economics, University of Sambalpur, Orissa) and Mr. Amarendra Das (Analytical and Applied Economics Department, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Orissa) presented the findings of their ongoing research. Prof V. Ramankutty (Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, Trivandrum) and Dr. Babu Ramesh (School of Interdisciplinary Studies, IGNOU, New Delhi) commented on them. Besides these presentations on state-level studies, Mr. P. Sukumar, Executive Director, Comprehensive Health Insurance Agency of Kerala (CHIAK) made a presentation on the functioning of Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme (CHIS) in Kerala.

Varinder Jain

National Conference on Indian's Economy: Twenty Years of Economic Liberalisation

(Funded by the Planning Commission)

Co-ordinator: Sunil Mani

1-3 December

The growth performance of India's economy has been the subject of lively discussion



among academics, policy analysts and in the popular press not just in the country but abroad as well. India has now the distinction of being one of the fastest growing economies in the world and economic growth in India has shown remarkable resilience even in the context of a continuing global financial crisis. Economic liberalization, which was set into motion, albeit on an ad hoc, piecemeal, and unstructured way since 1991, is often mentioned to be one of the most important causes of this improved growth performance. Twenty years after the beginning of the reforms, a comprehensive evaluation of the effect of reforms on different sectors and aspects of the country's economy is found wanting, though a number of commentaries and analysis have appeared on the scene. It is in this context, CDS organised an academic gathering in early December to discuss not just the effect of reforms on overall economic growth but also on topical issues such as employment, gender, agriculture, industry, technology and innovation, international trade public finance, and governance.

The Conference had a unique structure of sorts. There were ten different sessions, each

session focusing on a particular sector of the economy or an issue, and in each, the key issues were introduced by a key presenter. The main presenters were Pulapre Balakrishnan (inclusive growth), Padmini Swaminathan (gender), A. Vaidyanathan (Agriculture), K. Pushpangadan (Industry), Sunil Mani (technology and innovation), K. J. Joseph (international trade), A. V. Jose (employment), T. R. Raghunandan (decentralisation and governance) and K. K. George (Public Finance). The only exception was the session on health, where we had a panel discussion, with V. Raman Kutty, T. K. Sundari, Sairu Philip and K. Vijayakumar as the panelists. The discussants and the chairpersons of the sessions were drawn from across the country.

The main issues identified by presenter in each session were subjected to a thorough empirical and theoretical scrutiny, by a discussant. This was followed by discussions from the floor. Each issue was discussed for about 1 hour and 30 minutes.

The complete proceedings of the conference have been brought out as a DVD and are being uploaded on the CDS website. Further, selected papers presented at the conference will be edited to bring out a reader on Indian Economy and Policy targeted at undergraduate students of Indian universities and colleges.

In all about 100 researchers, teachers, students and indeed policy makers attended the conference. We are very grateful to the Planning Commission for sponsoring the conference.

Sunil Mani

PUBLIC LECTURE

Perry Anderson

(Professor of History & Sociology, University of California, Los Angeles, USA)

**The Concept of Intellectuals :
A Comparative History**

19 November

CDS was the venue for a public lecture delivered by Prof. Perry Anderson. The talk was jointly organised by CDS and ICSSR. The theme of the lecture was the process of crystallisation of the concept of intellectual as used in the modern sense.

The notion of “intellectual” developed initially in Europe in the 19 Century. Henri de Saint-Simon, one of the pioneers of the discipline of sociology, hypothesized that three pre-conditions were necessary for the emergence of the notion of intellectual : the modern university where new scientific scholarship evolved, urban bohemia, characterised as a counter-cultural underworld where individuals lived in defiance of prevalent institutional settings, and political movements wherein oppositional forces operated within organised society in accordance with certain systematic doctrines..

Prof. Anderson claimed that the concept of intellectual initially originated in the three European nations of Russia, France and Germany, with specific nuances in each context. For instance, In the Russian context, the concept had collective or group notions; but in France, the concept had decidedly individualistic connotations. Again, in France, the political domain emerged as the dominant setting for the emergence of the notion of intellectual, but in Germany, the setting for the emergence of “intellectual” was predominantly the university. Thus, even though a combination of



university, urban bohemia and political activism provided the ideal setting for the evolution of the concept of intellectual, there was hardly any country in early Europe where these three settings operated in a coherent manner.

Moving on from the country cases to the manner in which the notion of intellectual was conceived in the literature, Prof. Anderson claimed that broadly, the views expressed in the literature can be grouped into two schools: a) intellectuals are sterile, fashion victims and are greatly influenced by partisan ideologies, b) intellectuals are privileged seekers of the truth. The literature on this area wildly swings from one highly coloured portrait of the intellectual to another. He mentioned Antonio Gramsci’s contributions to be of key value. One of the major features of the literature on intellectuals is the wide diversity of the scholars who have contributed to it.

In conclusion, Prof. Anderson stressed two ideas. First, the notion of intellectual is still a generality. Secondly, each of the settings associated with the development of an intellectual has been routinely associated with certain vices as well as certain merits. Prof. Perry Anderson’s exposition reinforced the need for intellectual selflessness and political righteousness in the turbulent times of the present.

Anoopa S. Nair

TRAINING PROGRAMME

Teaching Innovations Programme for College Teachers, Version 4.0

22 November – 3 December
Co-ordinator: Sunil Mani

The fourth version of the training programme was attended by sixteen lecturers from across the country. They hailed from Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and of course Kerala. There was a good gender balance among participants; they were also evenly from government and private colleges.

One of the distinguishing features of the fourth version was that it brought in a better balance between theory (Micro and Macro), methods (Econometrics) and Indian Economy topics. Since the programme was integrated with the national conference on Indian economy held at CDS, the

participants had a chance to be exposed to innovative ways of analysing data and interact with a number of resource persons from across the country. The resource persons included : M.H. Suryanarayana (Econometrics), Vasant Sukhatme and K. Pushpangadan (Microeconomics), Sudip Chaudhuri (Macroeconomics), M. Parameswaran (Growth and Development) and Sunil Mani (Indian Economy).

It is heartening to note that one of the participants of the very first version of TIPE, namely Dr Chacko Jose (Sacred Heart College, Chalakkudy) has taken over as the co-ordinator of the *TIPE Blog* which will be the most important medium through which the lecturers can keep in touch and learn from each other and indeed in interacting with the resource persons.

Sunil Mani

THE CDS MPHIL: A TOUR

Module 101.1 Principles of Statistics for Data Analysis

CDS is known for its theory-informed empirical research on various dimensions of India and Kerala's economy and society. Keeping to this tradition, CDS inculcates strong grounding in data and methods in its programme to do applied socioeconomic research. This module, as part of course I on Research Methods, deals with practice of data analysis and introduces the statistical foundation of data analysis and its application to social sciences. The main objective of this module is to provide an understanding of the basic concepts and methods of Statistics and to impart statistical skill required for the analysis of socioeconomic data. Another interesting component of this module is

that it introduces hands-on training in data analysis using STATA, a statistical software that offers all standard methods of data analysis. Real life data sets on development problems are given to the students for empirical analysis with statistical methods, they have learned in the class, using STATA and they prepare a short report based on their understanding. The module covers descriptive statistics, probability theory, sampling distribution, estimation and testing statistical hypothesis. This module also introduces the visual techniques for understanding the data, describing the distributions and its applications for checking and validating the assumptions. This module enables the students in application of basic statistical methods in data analysis with a clear understanding of the theoretical basis and the methodological underpinnings. As a

prelude to the courses that follow on to prepare to do applied socioeconomic research, this module imparts training on how to make an argument with the data, not only in the process of hypothesis testing but also for generating new hypothesis. While doing so, this module gives emphasis on

application, including interpretation and analysis rather than theoretical derivations. As an introductory course in statistics, the approach and method of learning makes it unique and interesting.

K. Navaneetham

Outreach

- Atish Kumar Dash participated and presented a paper titled 'The Dynamics of Industrial Output Fluctuation in India' in the *12th International Convention of the East Asian Economic Association* during 2-3 October, 2010 held at Ewha Woman's University, Seoul.
 - Beena. S presented a paper titled 'Production Efficiency of Firms under Mergers and Acquisitions: The Indian Experience,' in the *8th Globelics International Conference on Making Innovation Work for Society: Linking, Leveraging and Learning*, held at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia during 1-3 November, 2010.
 - Bibhunandini Das attended and presented the paper titled 'Intra-National Digital Divide: An Analysis on the Diffusion of Information and Communication Technologies across States,' in the *8th GLOBELICS International Conference*, organised by the University of Malaya at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia during 1-3 November, 2010.
 - K.J. Joseph Chaired the Plenary Session on 'Making Innovation Work for the Poor,' discussed one parallel session, chaired another and presented a paper on 'Innovation System for Inclusive Growth: Lessons from India's Plantation Sector,' at the *8th GLOBELICS International Conference*, University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia during 1-3 November, 2010.
 - K. Navaneetham was invited as a Visiting Professor to the School of Political and Social Inquiry, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia during 15-30 November, 2010.
 - Sunil Mani presented a paper, 'Knowledge-intensive Entrepreneurship, Economic Growth in India, An analysis of the Post Liberalization Phase,' at the 4th Plenary Meeting of the research group, AEGIS, Instituto Superior de Economia e Gestão, Lisbon Technical University, Lisbon, Portugal, during 27-29 October, 2010. He also presented the 'Chapter on India' in the *UNESCO World Science Report 2010*, at the World Science Day, UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, on 10 November, 2010.
- In addition he presented a paper on 'TRIPS Compliance of National IPR Regimes, An Analysis of its Status and

Implications across Five Developing Countries,' at the panel on Knowledge Governance TRIPS@10, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University in the city of New York, USA, during 16-18 November, 2010. He also gave a lecture on 'Measuring Innovation: Conventional vs new Indicators' at the Department of Agricultural, Food and Resource Economics, Rutgers University, New Jersey, USA, on 18 November, 2010.

- V.J. Varghese and S. Irudaya Rajan participated in the 6th Trans-net project conference at Brighton, UK, during 2-3 December, 2010. V.J. Varghese presented the paper 'Punjab-UK Migration, Transnationalism and Ambivalence' along with Kaveri Harriss in the conference.
- Vinoj Abraham participated in the workshop on 'Mitigating Rural Urban Divide using ICTs' conducted by the UK Science and Innovation Network at the University of East London, London, during 11 -12 December, 2010.

Intouch

- K.J. Joseph presented a study on 'Structural Infirmities in India's Plantation Sector,' before the Minister and Senior officials of the Ministry of Commerce and the Chairpersons on Commodity Boards, on 5 October, 2010 at the Ministry of Commerce, New Delhi.

- Rikil Chyrmang's paper entitled, 'International Cross-border Immigration into the Northeastern Region of India,' was presented at the *First Asian Population Association Conference*, 16-20 November, 2010 New Delhi. He also presented a paper entitled, 'Cross-border Immigration and Conflict: An Assessment of Historical Evidence from Assam,' at the *12th Annual Conference of North Eastern Economic Association (NEEA)* held under the auspices of the Department of Economics, Nagaland University, Lumami, Nagaland during 10-11 November, 2010. Another paper entitled, 'Cross-Border Immigration in North-East India: A Case of Immigrant Workers' was presented in the *52nd Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics (ISLE)* during 17-19 December, 2010 at Dharwad under the Department of Economics, Karnatak University, Karnataka.
- Sunil Mani delivered a lecture on 'India's Innovation Policy' at the Phase IV IAS training programme, Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA), Mussoorie, on 20 October, 2010. He also designed and taught a ten lecture elective course on 'Innovation and Technology Policy' at the PGPEX, Batch IV, Term VI, Session 2010-11, Indian Institute of Management Calcutta, Kolkatta, during 6-15 December, 2010.

LIBRARY NEWS

During the past quarter, 17 external/ internal memberships, and 154 reference memberships were granted. Also, during the same period, 301 books, 50 working papers, and 16 CD-Roms were added to our collection.

The Third Semester MLISc students from Department of Library and Information Science, University of Kerala visited our library. The students were given an orientation about the library. This included, a power point presentation, a live demo, and a visit to the library to meet the staff to familiarise with the activities of the library.

Prof. Perry Anderson's books available in our library were displayed in the CDS auditorium on

19 November, 2010, to coincide with his open lecture for the benefit of the participants.

The participants of the Teaching Innovations Programme in Economics (TIPE) conducted during 22 November to 03-December, were given a briefing about the library collection and the services, on the first day of their programme.

The re-organisation of the library is progressing. The painting of the shelves in the Fifth Floor of Old Block is complete. The collection has been moved and shelved there in proper order. The work in the remaining area is expected to be over in a couple of months. The automatic start facility of the generator is installed and the lift in the New Block is fully operational.

V. Sriram

CAMPUS NEWS

Madhurima-CDS musical programme

Dear Madhurima 2010,

My sincere apologies to you. You came and went suddenly and I could not be with you very much. Actually, nothing to hide from you! You have been coming to CDS for 4 years now, and are familiar with our tedious course work. Just the day before you came, I was through with my Time Series exam and after you went I had to rush for a presentation. But please don't mind!!!!!! It happens. Exams are residents of CDS, just like us, they are the invisible addendum of the CDS Community. We often cross them; they are our neighbours. But you are our special guest.

But listen!!! You can't accuse me, because however busy I was, I did manage to be part of you in the evening! I hope you remember my "Kaisi Paheli hai Zindagani".



You seem to be too busy, finding time only once a year to meet us. Anyway I hope you are OK! Must be on your way with some new tunes.... I am indeed jealous of you. How nicely you managed to have a musical life without sheer existence.

Bless me with your life....

Yours

Soumi, your friend at CDS

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And Man Will Live Forever More, because of Christmas Day....

Christmas rang its bells at the Centre for Development Studies on 15 December. The angels sang and the infant Jesus was born.

A beautifully adorned crib and Christmas tree prepared by the students themselves became the backdrop of the Christmas celebrations which began in the evening. Christmas carols filled the air and Santa Claus arrived, in high spirits. Cake and wine, never to be missed at Christmas, were then shared.

This was followed by exchange of Christmas gifts, which was great fun. Santa and students rollicked around campus, singing carols and spreading the message of love and peace. The faculty



quarters were visited and sweets were shared. The warmth and joy which the new-born brought into the world reigned into the campus too. A delicious Christmas dinner served with *adapradhman* marked the end of a beautiful evening, but not the spirits that Christmas kindled in us, of joy, of peace and of love.

Chinju Johny

STUDENT SPEAK

Round Changing Game in CDS

Year-2010 is over and the New Year, namely 2011, has taken over us, or rather I would say, taken over CDS. I would call this a round-changing game in CDS — advancing from marathon (Semester I and II) to a sprint racing stage. It all started in the end of July 2010 when a fresh batch of 18 students, further reduced to 17 students, arrived at CDS with no clue as to what lay ahead. Passing the marathon, or it is better to say that even participating in the marathon, was not something we could anticipate, from rules written on paper; not because it was not written well but because it was inexplicable in words.

However, despite my exaggeration about the coursework, i.e. calling it the marathon, all my

colleagues participating in it would agree that it was burdensome yet fun to some extent. And who will deny the learning with which we have reached the stage of sprint racing and are already in the midst of it? Though I am still not sure whether to call it sprint racing or yet another short marathon — or so it seems, after the release of our term paper topics.

I must warn my readers not to take this as a criticism of the CDS coursework, since I have gained a lot from it, personally speaking. But again, as the system functions here, I, and I am sure even my batch-mates, are clueless as to what lies ahead. No matter what I say, CDS is turning us, at least me, into people who can face any challenge, be it a marathon or a sprint race.

Deepak Singhania

P U B L I C A T I O N S

Articles

Devika, J and Binitha V. Thampi. 2010. 'Mobility Towards Work and Politics for Women in Kerala State, India: A View from the Histories of Gender and Space', *Modern Asian Studies*: DOI: 10.1017/S0026749X09000080, Cambridge Journals Online, Published online: 7 October.

Kundu, Anirban and S. Chakrabarti. 2010. 'Non-Agricultural Informal Sector in India: Impacts of Agrarian Conditions,' *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, Vol. 53, No.2.

Mani, Sunil. 2010. 'The Rise of Innovations in India', *A World of Science*, Vol.8, No. 4, pp. 17-20.

Mani, Sunil. 2010. 'An Introduction to India's Innovation Statistics,' *International Journal of Development and Social Research*, Vol. 1, No. 1, pp. 100-103.

Sankaran, Uma; Vinoj Abraham and K.J. Joseph. 2010. 'Impact of Trade Liberalisation on Employment: The Experience of India's Manufacturing Industries,' *Indian Journal of Labour Economics*, October-December.

Chapter(s) in books

Chittedi, Krishna Reddy. 2010. 'Agriculture Development, Employment and Rural Poverty:

Macro level Analysis from India,' in M. Upender et al (ed.), *Inclusive Growth in Agriculture*, Mittal Publications, New Delhi.

Navaneetham, K. (with A. Dharmalingam). 2010. 'Age Structural Transitions, Human Capital, and Millennium Development Goals in India: Opportunities and Challenges,' In Moneer Alam and Armando Barrientos (eds.), *Demographics, Employment and Old Age Security: Emerging Trends and Challenges in South Asia*, Macmillan, New Delhi, pp.404-423.

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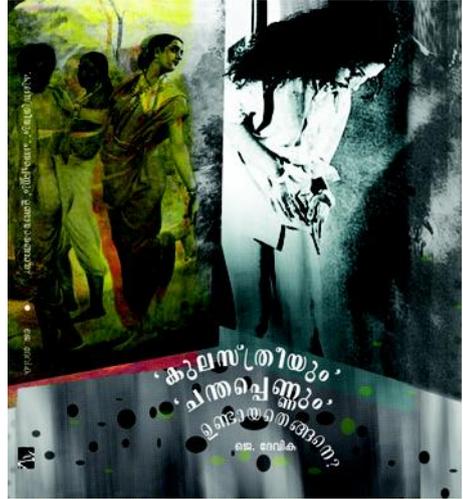
Working Papers

Nair, Aparna. 2010. 'The Indifferent Many and the Hostile Few: An Assessment of Smallpox Vaccination in the 'Model Native State' of Travancore 1804-1941.' *Working Paper No 438*, November.

Sharma, Rajeev. 2010. 'Diversification in Rural Livelihood Strategies: A Macro-level Evidence from Jammu and Kashmir,' *Working Paper No 439*, December.

BOOK TALK

Kulasthreeyum Chanthappennum Undaayathengane traces the history of gender relations in Kerala from the 19 century. It is an introductory volume on the subject meant for junior students and non-specialist readers in Malayalam. Essentially an outcome of a small-grant project supported by the SRTT, Mumbai and the Higher Education Cell, CSCS, Bangalore through which a transdisciplinary methodology of text-production was evolved, it sought to closely involve potential readers in the writing of the book. It also makes use of art as a medium of communication. CDS has used a Creative Commons License for this publication, and it is freely downloadable from the CDS website.



The author of the book, J. Devika, is Associate Professor, CDS.

We invite readers through the following link:
www.cds.edu

Mr. Kiran Kumar K., PhD scholar, has joined the editorial team of Chronicle since November, 2010. Thanks Kiran for chipping in for the July-September issue of the Chronicle.

Achievements

V.J. Varghese joined the School of Global Studies, University of Sussex, UK on a Visiting Fellowship on 3 November 2010. He has been awarded with a fellowship by the Economic and Social Research Council, UK, under its ESRC-ICSSR India-UK Scholar Exchange Programme, to undertake the visit in order to work further on Punjabi transnationalism and its ambivalences and to make a series of presentations.

From the Administrator's Desk

Dr Pulapre Balakrishnan takes over charge as Director

Dr Pulapre Balakrishnan, Professor, CDS took over charge as the Director of the Centre on 16 December 2010. The process of selection of the Director was reported in the previous issue of the Chronicle.

Retirement

P. Sathi, Senior Assistant Librarian retired from the services of the Centre on 31 December, 2010 after over thirty two years. Sathi is settled down in Trivandrum.

Soman Nair

POLICY POINTERS

Rajeev Sharma in his paper '**Diversification in Rural Livelihood Strategies: A Macro-level Evidence from Jammu and Kashmir,**' (Working Paper No 439, December 2010) observes that agriculture remains as a dominant livelihood strategy amongst workers in the state of Jammu and Kashmir, notwithstanding the shift to manufacturing and tertiary activities during the period 1983 to 2004-05. At the same time, there is evidence of rapid process of marginal farming in agriculture. Consequently, these marginal holdings may not be viable to sustain the livelihoods of those depending on them for their livelihood. Therefore, it becomes necessary to organise state agriculture in such a manner that the limited land resource is made to yield maximum returns through the application of modern technology. This would increase the well-being of those dependent on agricultural sector for their livelihood.

Aparna Nair in her paper '**The Indifferent Many and the Hostile Few: An Assessment of Smallpox Vaccination in the 'Model Native State' of Travancore 1804-1941.'**' (Working Paper No 438, November 2010) explores the genesis, development and efficacy of one of Travancore's earliest public health policies, smallpox vaccination. The paper illustrates the power of population response to vaccination policy in determining the reach and effectiveness of immunization and also demonstrates how changing perceptions of Western medicine in the first decades of the twentieth century gradually increased vaccination uptake. The coercive nature of early vaccination in Travancore raises questions regarding medical and public health ethics around such programmes and underscores the need to address and comprehend sociological and historical specificities. The right to complete information has to be upheld and the agency of the vaccinated has to exceed that of a passive 'receiver' to that of an informed and consenting 'participant'. This paper also iterates that any effective vaccination policy must be based on a body of research that extends far beyond commonplace issues such as cost-effectiveness, reach and efficacy. As already pointed out, negative population responses through the nineteenth and twentieth centuries were instrumental in effectively cutting the hamstrings of the nascent smallpox vaccination programme in Travancore. This is a powerful argument for comprehensive sociological and anthropological studies among population groups to explore and identify perceptions of and subsequent responses to health policies and thereby to engender considered and affirmative interventions from the state.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS OF CDS

Books	Working Papers
<p>Population Transitions: Studies in Demographic Variety N. Krishnaji, CDS Monograph Series, 2010, pp 86, Paperback, Rs. 90, US\$10</p>	<p>Diversification in Rural Livelihood Strategies: A Macro-Level Evidence from Jammu and Kashmir Rajeev Sharma, W.P. 439, November, 2010</p>
<p>‘Kulasthreeyum’ ‘Chanthappennum’ Undaayathengane? (Malayalam) History/GenderStudies J.Devika, Centre for Development Studies, 2010, pp.252, Paperback, Rs. 200</p>	<p>The Indifferent Many and the Hostile Few: An Assessment of Smallpox Vaccination in the ‘Model Native State’ of Travancore, 1804 - 1941 Aparna Nair, W.P. 438, November, 2010</p>
<p>Tales of Rice : Kuttanad, Southwest India K.T. Rammohan C.D.S. Monograph Series, 2006, pp. 100, Paperback Rs. 150/\$18</p>	<p>The Effect of Information Technology on Wage Inequality: Evidence from Indian Manufacturing Sector Vinoj Abraham, W.P. 437, September, 2010</p>
<p>Water Resources of Kerala: Issues and Case Studies. K.N. Nair & Srikumar Chattopabhyay CDS, 2005, pp. 125, Paperback Rs. 160/ \$18</p>	<p>The Financial Crisis in the Gulf and its Impact on South Asian Migrant Workers. S. Irudaya Rajan and D. Narayana, W.P. 436, August 2010</p>
<p>Biodiversity, Sustainable Development and Economic Analysis J. Hans B. Opschoor CDS, 2004, Rs. 100/\$11</p>	<p>Total Factor Productivity Growth and Its Decomposition: An Assessment of the Indian Banking Sector in the True Liberalised Era Anup Kumar Bhandari, W.P. 435, August 2010</p>
<p>Plight of the Power Sector in India: Inefficiency, Reform and Political Economy K.P. Kannan and N. Vijayamohanan Pillai CDS, 2002, Rs. 400/\$40</p>	<p>Cross-Border Mergers and Acquisitions in India: Extent, Nature and Structure Beena Saraswathy, W.P. 434, July 2010</p>
<p>Kerala’s Gulf Connection: CDS Studies on International Labour Migration from Kerala State in India K.C. Zachariah, K. P. Kannan, S. Irudaya Rajan (eds) CDS, 2002, pp 232, Hardcover, Rs. 250/\$25</p>	<p>Nature and Characteristics of Seasonal Labour Migration : A Case Study in Mahabubnagar District of Andhra Pradesh Vijay Korra, W.P. 433, July 2010</p>



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