## **SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS HELD AT THE CENTRE (2015-16)**

As part of its effort to disseminate the research activities the Centre conducts a number of conferences, seminars, and workshops. Open seminars are given by faculty and researchers from other institutions from within the country as well as abroad. This year 12 open seminars were conducted. In addition to this, 6 seminars were given by the faculty and students. The CDS also organised several international national seminars/conferences and workshops in addition to .public lectures.

#### (a) OPEN SEMINARS

Lars Aaberg, CDS Research Affiliate & MA Student, Centre for Gender Research, University of Oslo, *Men, Masculinities, and Kudumbashree*, (26 June, 2015)

Rebecca Miles, Professor, Department of Urban & Regional Planning, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, USA, *Are US Post-War Suburban Neighborhoods Less Age-Friendly Than More Urban Ones? Perceptions of Older Adults in a Mid-Sized City*, (17 July, 2015)

Katharine Allen, John's Hopkins University School of Public Health, *Quantifying the Burden of Disease* in UAE: Understanding differences between Migrants and Nationals, (22 July, 2015)

John Bosco Lourdusamy, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras, Chennai, *Tea and Technology: A Peculiar Story of Transfer*, (23 July, 2015)

Silvia Masiero, Department of International Development, London School of Economics and Political Science, *Will the JAM Trinity Dismantle the PDS?* (21 August, 2015)

Pinaki Chakraborty, Professor, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP), Fourteenth Finance Commission's Recommendations: Continuity, Change and the Way Forward, (8 September, 2015)

Mary Elizabeth King, Professor of Peace and Conflict Studies for the UN-affiliated University for Peace, Costa Rica & Distinguished Fellow of the Rothermere American Institute, University of Oxford, UK, Gandhian Non-violent Struggle and Untouchability in South India: The 1924–25 Vaikom Satyagraha and the Mechanisms of Change, (16 September, 2015)

Arun Kumar, Retd. Professor, JNU, New Delhi, *India's Black Economy: Implications, Causes and Remedies*, (25 September 2015)

K. Pushpangadan, Retired Professor, CDS and Ex-Chairman of the Kerala Public Expenditure Review Committee, Government of Kerala, *Budgeting for Growth: A Review of Kerala's Public Expenditure Report*, 2013-14, (6 October, 2015)

Alok Sheel IAS, Member Secretary, Planning Board & Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning and Economic Affairs, Government of Kerala, *Monetary Policy in India*, (7 November, 2016)

Thomas Isaac, former Finance Minister to the Government of Kerala and Honorary Fellow, CDS, and R. Mohan, former research scholar at the Centre for Development Studies, *Fiscal Consolidation for Self Sustaining Economic Growth: Kerala Experience and the Way Ahead* (9 March, 2016)

K.C. Zachariah, Honorary Fellow, CDS & Former Senior Demograoher, The World Bank, Washington, *Religious Denominations in Kerala*, (15 March, 2016)

#### (b) SEMINARS BY CDS FACULTY/STUDENTS

U.S Mishra, Measuring Progress towards MDGs in Child Health: Should Base-level Sensitivity and Inequity Matter?, (10 July, 2015)

M. Parameswaran, Trade Openness and Labour Market Unrest: Evidence from Indian Manufacturing Industry, (24 July, 2015)

Manmohan Agarwal, Professor, RBI Chair, CDS, *The Contingent Reserve Arrangement of the BRICS and Reform of the International Monetary System*, (29 July, 2015)

Sunil Mani and V. Sridhar, International Institute of Information, Technology, Bangalore, *Diffusion of Broadband in India - Trends, Determinants and Challenges*, (20 August, 2015)

Manmohan Agarwal, Professor, RBI Chair, CDS, and Sunandan Ghosh, *Structural Change in the Indian Economy*, (18 September, 2015)

Vachaspati Shukla, PhD Scholar, CDS, Educational Expansion and Schooling Inequality: Verifying the Educational Kuznets Curve for India, (9 October, 2015)

# (c) INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL CONFERENCES /SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

Workshop on Innovation and Inclusive Development in Brazil, China, India and Russia, held at the Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum (4 May, 2015)

An Outreach Session on Economic Survey 2014-15 held at the Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum (9 May, 2015)

Workshop on Sexuality, Gender and Human Rights, organised by *Sahayathrika* for Human Rights, Trissur held at Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum (16 July, 2015)

Workshop on Trade in Services (Ayurveda) organised by CDS and DGCI&S, Kolkata was held at CDS, Trivandrum (7 August, 2015)

MRC-DBT Women and Child Health GRP: Impacts of Demand Side Financing Instruments on the Continuum of Care for Maternal and Child Health in India and Bangladesh (12-14 August 2015)

Colloquium on 'Ecological Footprint of Kerala' by Dr. M. P. Parameswaran, Fellow, Integrated Rural Technology Centre, sponsored by CDS-RULSG at CDS (13 August, 2015)

One day Seminar on Water Resources, Water Management and Waste Management in Trivandrum District, co-ordinated by K.N.Harilal at CDS, Trivandrum (14 August, 2015)

A Workshop for Masters students of the Department of International Environment and Development Studies (Noragric) of the Norwegian University of Life Sciences at CDS, co-ordinator, Praveena Kodoth (31August- 5 September, 2015)

Special Lecture on 'What Works and Why: The Solutions Promise of Development Evaluation', by Dr Cherian Samuel, CDS Alumni and Miltilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) of the World bank Group, Washington DC (7 September, 2015)

Annual Governing Body Meeting (10 September, 2015)

Special Meeting of the new Governing Body (28 November, 2015)

National Consultation on Crisis in Plantation Sector: In Search of Long term Strategies, sponsored by National Research Programme on Plantation Development (NRPPD)- co-ordinated by K.J. Joseph at Centre for Development Studies (6 February 2016)

International Conference on Development-Induced Displacement and Migration, Land Acquisition and Resettlement, co-ordinated by S. Irudaya Rajan at Centre for Development Studies (3-4 March, 2016)

Panel Discussion on Union Budget 2016 : Implications for the National Economy and the Kerala Economy (9 March, 2016)

Third IndiaLICS International Conference on 'Innovation and Sustainable Development' organised jointly with Research Information System for Developing Countries, New Delhi, sponsored by NRPPD and ICSSR and co-ordinated by K.J. Joseph at CDS (16-18 March, 2016)

### (d) PUBLIC LECTURES

Amit Bhaduri (Professor Emeritus, JNU, New Delhi & Honorary Fellow CDS) delivered the Fourth Foundation Day Lecture on 'Development by Dispossession' at the CDS on 7 December, 2015.

Nivedita Menon (Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi), delivered the Sixth P. K. Gopalakrishnan Memorial Lecture on 'Women's Rights to Land and the Challenge of the Commons' at the CDS on 18 February, 2016.

Maitreesh Ghatak (Professor, London School of Economics), delivered the Seventh B.G. Kumar Lecture on 'Persistence of Poverty and Anti-Poverty Policies: Theory and Evidence' at the CDS on 23 March, 2016.