SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS HELD AT THE CENTRE : 2020 – 2021

As part of its effort to disseminate the research activities, the Centre conducts a number of conferences, seminars, and workshops. Open seminars/ Webinars are given by faculty and researchers from other institutions from within the country as well as abroad. This year 7 open seminars/webinars were conducted. In addition to this, 17 webinars were given by the faculty and students. The CDS also organised national seminars/conferences and workshops in addition to 16 Foundation Day Lectures and 4 Public lectures.

(A) Open Seminars/ Webinars

S. Ramanathan and Vasudha Chakravarthy, Development Solutions, Delhi, *Impact of Covid-19 on Availability and Access To Health And Nutrition Services – Insights From A Rapid Study In Five States.* (17 July, 2020)

Biswajit Dhar, Professor, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, *India and China: The Evolution and Status of Economic Inter-Dependence*. (14 August, 2020)

Sushil Khanna, Professor, IIM Kolkata & Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation, *Trade in Kerala Economy***.** (21 August, 2020)

Anant Kamath, Azim Premji University, *The Social Context of Technological Experiences in India.* (26 August, 2020)

Krishnendu Ghosh Dastidar, Professor, CESP, JNU and Visiting Professor, CDS, *Auction Theory: Reflections on the Contributions of Paul R. Milgrom and Robert B.Wilson.* (10 November, 2020)

Alwin Prakash, Former Professor and Head of the Dept. of Economics, Kerala University, *Fiscal Decentralisation in Kerala*. (17 November, 2020)

R. Mohan, Visiting Fellow, CDS, *Discussion on the Report of the 15th Finance Commission*, (12 March, 2021)

(B) SEMINARS / WEBINARS BY CDS FACULTY/STUDENTS

Sunil Mani, Director, CDS, *India's Role in Frugal Innovations in Health-Related Technologies to Deal with COVID-19*. (5 May, 2020)

Shraddha Jain, PhD scholar;Thiagu Ranganathan, Associate Professor and Amartya Paul, PhD scholar, *Human Development Report- 2019.* (20 May, 2020)

Vinoj Abraham, Professor and Mithesh Madhavan, *Performance of the Plantations during the Covid-19 Pandemic*, (12 June, 2020)

Thiagu Ranganathan, Associate Professor and TirthaChatterjee, Assistant Professor, *Caste and Regular Jobs in India.* (19 June, 2020)

Papaiah Koppula, Amit Nandan & Indrajeet Kumar, PhD Scholars-CDS, *Discussion on National Strategy for Financial Inclusion.* (24 June, 2020)

Vinoj Abraham, Professor and ManikanthaNataraj, PhD Scholar, *Political Economy of Government Response to COVID-19: A Cross Country Analysis*. (26 June, 2020)

Sudip Chaudhuri, Visiting Professor, CDS, *Making Essential Medicines Affordable: Can Bangladesh do for COVID-19 what India did for AIDS?* (10 July, 2020)

Sunil Mani, Director, *India's Quest for Technological Self-Reliance, An Analysis of Her Patenting Performance in the Post-TRIPS Phase* (31 July, 2020)

Jayaseelan Raj, Assistant Professor, *The Morality of Abandonment and the Production of Plantation Order in India.* (7 August, 2020)

Chidambaran Gurunathan Iyer, Associate Professor, *Entrepreneurship and Innovation Systems: Two Indian Case Studies.* (18 September)

Ritika Jain, Asst. Professor, *Effect of COVID-19 Lockdown on the Profitability of Firms: Evidence from an Emerging Economy.* (25 September, 2020)

Thiagu Ranganathan, Associate Professor and RounakSil, PhD Scholar, *Is an Economic Being a "Social Moron"? Using Game Theory to Explore Moral Behaviour***.** (9 October, 2020)

P.L. Beena, Associate Professor, *IPR Regime and Antitrust Implications of Mergers & Acquisitions: Evidence from the Indian Corporate Sector*. (9 November, 2020)

Tirtha Chatterjee, Assistant Professor; Aritri Chakravarty, PhD Scholar, andBinod Kumar Behera, PhD Scholar, *Agricultural Farm Laws-2020.*(13 November, 2020)

Chidambaran Gurunathan Iyer, Associate Professor, *Industrialization for Jobs and Growth: A Case Study of Cellular Mobile Phone Manufacturers in India*. (24 November, 2020)

T. Abhilash, Assistant Professor and SusumaHansdah, PhD Scholar, *Covid-19 and Scheduled Tribes in Kerala: Strategies and Responses*. (18 December, 2020)

Smruti Ranjan Sahoo, PhD Scholar, *Determinants of Export in Boom and Bust: Evidence from the Indian Electronic Industry,* (19 March, 2021)

(C) INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL CONFERENCES / SEMINARS / WEBINARS/WORKSHOPS / DISCUSSIONS/ LECTURES / EVENTS

Webinar by panellists Professor Alok Sheel, Professor R Nagaraj , Professor Sukhpal Singh, Mr. P. S Vijayshankar, Professor Irudaya Rajan, Dr. M. Parameswaran and Dr. Chidambaran G. Iyer on Economic growth with self- reliance in India. Title: "Does the Stimulus Package In Five Tranches Enhance It?**"**on 27 May, 2020.

NRPPD Steering Committee Meeting (24 July, 2020)

Webinar on "Managing stress in pandemic days" by Professor Sunita Simon Kurpad, St John's National Academy of Health Sciences, Bangalore on 9 September, 2020. (only for students)

Centre's 74th Governing Body meeting, Finance Committee meeting and Committee of Directionmeeting held on 24 September, 2020.

Online Training Programme on EBSCO e-Resources conducted by K.N.Raj Library on 03 October 2020.

Webinar –Panel Discussion on the draft EIA Notification 2020by panelist - Dr Karen Coelho-MIDS Chennai, Dr T V Sajeev-KFRI, Peechi and Dr Lavanya Suresh-BITS, Hyderabad and Moderator- Prof. J. Devika, CDS on 23 October, 2020.

Book release on "Kerala and the World Economy" by Hon'ble Dr. Manmohan Singh, Former Prime Minister of India and first copy presented to Dr. Thomas Isaac, Hon'ble Minister for Finance-GOK, on 2 November, 2020.

Webinar Panel Discussion on "Ownership Guidelines and Corp[orate Structure for Indian Private Sector Banks" by Panelists, Prof. TT Ram Mohan, IIM Ahmedabad; Prof R. Nagaraj, Visiting Professor, CDS; Prof SachinChaturvedi, Director General, RIS, New Delhi and Mr. Narayan Ramachandra, Chairman and Co-founder, Inklude Labs, Bangalore on 12 January, 2021.

Online Training Programme on EBSCO e-Resources conducted by K.N.Raj Library on 29 January 2021.

Webinar on the Annual Discussion on 'Economic Survey 2020-21 and the Union Budget 2021-22' on 26 February, 2021.

Fiftieth Foundation Year Lecture Series

During the reporting year the following webinars were held in connection with the fiftieth foundation year celebrations.

Webinar on: Trade in Kerala Economy," by Prof Sushil Khanna, IIM, Kolkata and GIFT, Trivandrum, on 21 August, 2020.

Webinar on "The Technology Trap: Capital, Labor and Power in the Age of Automation" by Dr. Carl Benedikt Frey, University of Oxford on 10 September, 2020.

Webinar on "From Make in India to Assemble in India to Atmanirbhar Bharat: Contradictions of Trade Policy" by Prof. C. Veeramani, IGIDR-Mumbai on 16 October, 2020.

Webinar on "Locating Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in a Discourse on Development" by Prof. AmitShovon Ray, JNU on 20 November, 2020.

Webinar on "Climate and the Economy in India from 1880 to the Present" by Professor Tirthankar Roy, London School of Economics on 27 November, 2020.

Webinar on "The Question of Ethics in RCTs" by Professor ReetikaKhera, Associate Professor (Economics), Indian Institute of Technology Delhi on 4 December, 2020.

Webinar on "Talking to Ghosts: Exploring forged employment records in NREGS" by Professor D.Rajasekhar, HAG Professor and Head, Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bengaluru on 11 December, 2020.

Webinar on "Revisiting the Kerala Model of Development and its Virtuous Cycle: Spectacular Successes, Spectacular Failures and Outlook for the Future" by Professor K.P. Kannan, Honorary Fellow, CDS on 8 January, 2021.

Webinar on "Binding the State: State Capacity and the Democratic Defecit in India" by Prof Patrick Heller, Brown University, USA, on 15 January, 2021.

Webinar on "Mainstreaming Financial Inclusion," by Prof Thankom Arun, Essex University, UK, on 18 January, 2021.

Webinar on "Industrial Clustering: The Indian Context," by Prof Keshabananda Das, GIDR, Ahmedabad, on 22 January, 2021.

Webinar on "Institutions and the Evolution of Indian agriculture" by Prof Rajaswari Raina, Shiv Nadar University, Noida, on 29 January, 2021.

Webinar on "Contemporary Challenges to Migrant Integration in the EU-UK Context: What do we know so Far," by Dr Shoba Arun, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK, on 12 February, 2021.

Webinar on "The State and markets in the Economic Development of South Korea," by Prof. Jong II You, KDI School of Public Policy, Republic of Korea, on 17 February, 2021.

Webinar on "Public Spending for Gender Equality," by Prof Rohini Somananthan, Delhi School of Economics, on 5 March, 2021.

Webinar on "Should Governments be in the Business of Banking,' by Prof Errol D'Souza, IIM, Ahmedabad, on 22 March, 2021.

(D) PUBLIC LECTURES

The 50th Foundation Day Lecture on "Economics and Politics of the Unemployment Problem in Indian Democracy" was delivered by Prof. Amit Bhaduri, Honorary Fellow, CDS on 19 October, 2020.

The 11th BG Kumar Lecture on "Economic Transformation, Growth of the Middle Class and Family Change in India"wasdelivered by Professor Sonalde Desai, Professor of Sociology, University of Maryland and Professor and Centre Director, NCAER-National Data Innovation Center, New Delhi on 5 November, 2020.

The 10th P. K. Gopalakrishnan Memorial Lecture on "Why Does the Indian State Both Fail and Succeed?' wasdelivered by Professor DeveshKapur, Director of Asian Programs, Johns Hopkins University, USA on 14 December, 2020.

KN Raj Memorial Lecture on 'Reading KN Raj in the Age of Free Market Fundamentakism,' by Professor Mihir Shah, Former Member, Planning Commission and Co-founder Samaj Pragati Sahayog, on 10 March, 2021.