



From The Director's Desk



Even ten years after the market-oriented economic reforms programme was initiated, the Indian economy shows no signs of achieving its growth potential. The miraculous growth scenario witnessed in the high-performing Asian economies and, in more recent years, in China, has continued to bypass the Indian sub-continent. The momentum of the reforms programme itself has not shown signs of acceleration. The budget speech for the year 2001–2002 promised much, but has delivered little. Despite much talk about consensus on reforms, there is hardly any agreement on either the content of reforms or its sequencing. At the state level too, there is much to be done in removing the micro-level inefficiencies and impediments to the achievement of a common market in the federation. The economy, particularly the industrial sector, is in recession, and the problem has been compounded by the recent international events. The global slowdown too has affected the Indian economy. On the whole, the ten years of economic reforms have delivered little in terms of changing the mindset of bureaucrats, politicians and the people at large.

Against this backdrop, the ambitious targets set in the Approach Paper to the Tenth Five Year Plan cannot be realised unless the reforms programme is properly designed and sequenced to provide a proper institutional framework. Given the constraints in increasing the level of saving, the increases in productivity required to take the economy to a higher growth trajectory of an average of 8 per cent during the Tenth Plan period cannot be achieved unless both policy and institutional changes are designed and implemented vigorously at the central and the state levels.

It is in this task that institutions such as ISEC will have a continued pro-active role to play. True to its credentials, during the last six months ISEC has been active in both research, training and provision of policy inputs to the central and state governments in a number of reform areas. This biannual newsletter details the manifold activities that the Institute's faculty members have been engaged in. Some of these activities such as the seminar on 'Public Finance in Indian States: The Emerging Scenario' have provided direct policy guidance to governments. An equally important event was the hosting of the Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics (ILSE) in which issues pertaining to providing security to labour when the economy is opened up for international competition received considerable attention. There were also other important seminars and training programmes dealing with various policy issues, academic themes and building capacity.

The high point of the activities during July to December 2001 has been the organisation of the Regional Round Table on

Information and Communications Technology in collaboration with Asian Development Bank, Ministry of Information Technology, Government of India and Department of Information Technology, Government of Karnataka. The Institute is proud to have had the opportunity of bringing together the two most progressive Chief Ministers, Sri S M Krishna of Karnataka and Sri Chandrababu Naidu of Andhra Pradesh on a common platform on this important occasion. Another high point of the period has been the initiatives taken in regard to one of the thrust areas of ISEC, i.e., natural resources management. Inauguration of the Centre for Inter-disciplinary Studies in Environment and Development (CISED), on July 22, 2001, was followed by an important workshop on Interdisciplinary Environmental Research in which a host of national and international experts in environmental studies participated. Equally important has been the Faculty Upgradation Programme in Environmental Economics, a national-level programme, which was a part of the World Bank-aided 'India: Environmental Management, Capacity Building, Technical Assistance Project' by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India.

The Karnataka Rajyothsava Lecture this year was delivered by Prof. Roddam Narasimha, Director, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore. In his thought-provoking presentation, Prof. Narasimha made a thorough analysis of the history of the scientific and industrial revolution in Europe and explored the reason for the non-occurrence of such a revolution in India.

The Institute has been engaged in several analytical and policy-related studies. A number of new projects were also initiated in diverse areas, and quite a few projects have been completed. The period also witnessed very high productivity in terms of publications. A number of working papers and articles in journals and books on varied themes dealing with society and economy have been published. I am pleased to report that Her Excellency the Governor of Karnataka, Mrs Rama Devi, has launched ISEC's website (www.isec.ac.in) and I would like to invite all to visit the site to keep abreast of the activities in the Institute.

I must compliment the faculty, staff and students of ISEC for carrying further the dreams and aspirations of the founding fathers of the Institute by involving themselves in many research, training and policy advocacy activities that have been reported in the Newsletter. The Institute has been relentlessly strengthening its activities and focussing on the thrust areas. In 2002, more testing challenges await the Institute, and I am sure the ISEC fraternity will not be found wanting in meeting them.

M. Govinda Rao
Director



Regional Round Table on Information and Communications Technology

A Regional Round Table on 'Information and Communications Technology' was held during August 28–30, 2001, at Hotel Taj Westend. It was organized by the Institute in collaboration with the Asian Development Bank, Manila, Ministry of Information Technology, Government of India, and the Department of Information Technology, Government of Karnataka.

Mr. N Chandrababu Naidu, Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, inaugurated the event. Mr. Yoshihiro Iwasaki, Director, Programs Department (West), Asian Development Bank, delivered the keynote address. Mr. S M Krishna, Chief Minister of Karnataka, presided over the Round Table.

The themes of the seven sessions of the round table were: Development of Telecommunications Infrastructure; Public-Private Partnership; Human Resources Development; E-Government; ICT in Poverty Reduction; Bridging the Digital Divide; Cyber Laws and Emerging IT Opportunities. The sessions were chaired by Mr. M S Verma, Chairperson, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, Mr N Vittal, Chief Vigilance Commissioner, Government of India, Dr Raj Reddy, School of Computer Science, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Mr. Rajeeva Ratna Shah, Secretary, Ministry of Information Technology, Dr M Govinda Rao, Director, ISEC, Mr. K N Gupta, Controller of Certifying Authority, and Dr. Sudipto Mundle, Head, Operations and Policy Coordination, ADB.

The key speakers included Mr. Bhagwan D Khurana, Reliance Industries Ltd., Mr. Niraj Gupta, Director, South Asia, FLAG Telecom, Mr. Tan Sri Dato Othman Yeop Abdullah, Multimedia Development Corporation, Malaysia, Mr. Nandan Nilakeni, Chairman, BATF, Mr. Vivek Kulkarni, Secretary, IT Department, Government of Karnataka, Mr. Gopal Rajagopalan, Managing Director, Schoolnet India, Mr. Anil Dang, Managing Director, Quantum, Dr. Rama Rao, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Hyderabad, Prof. S Sadagopan, Director, IIIT, Bangalore, Dr. C Dayakar Reddy, CDR Hospitals, Dr. Sangita Reddy, Apollo Hospitals, Mr. N Vijayaditya, Director General, National Informatics Centre, Mr. Randeep Sudan, Special Secretary to the Chief Minister, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Mr. Aruna Sundararajan, Government of Kerala, Mr. S Lakshminarayan, Ministry of Information Technology, Mr. Rajesh Rajora, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Dr. Mohan Gopal, Director, NLSIU, Mr. Pavan Duggal, President, Cyberlaw Asia, Mr. Pramath Sinha, and Mr. Prakash Gurbaxani.

Distinguished academicians, members of the Board of Governors of ISEC as well as its Founder/Life Members, administrators, and other invitees attended the Round Table.



The inaugural session of the Regional Round Table on Information and Communications Technology gets under way on August 28, 2001, at Hotel Taj Westend, Bangalore.

43rd Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics

The Institute for Social and Economic Change invited the Indian Society of Labour Economics to hold its 43rd annual conference at its campus. Prof. R S Deshpande, Head of ADRT Unit, was assigned the responsibility as Local Organising Secretary of the conference, which was held during December 18–20, 2001. Mr Veerappa Moily, former Chief Minister of Karnataka and Chairman of the Tax Reforms Commission of Karnataka, inaugurated the



Mr Veerappa Moily, Chairman, Tax Reforms Commission of Karnataka, releasing the Souvenir at the inaugural session of the Indian Labour Economics Conference held during December 18-20, 2001.

conference and delivered the inaugural address. Prof. M Govinda Rao, Director of the Institute, welcomed the guests, and Prof. T S Papola, President of the Indian Society of Labour Economics, introduced the work and achievements of the ISLE. Mr T R Satish Chandran, Chairman of the Board of Governors of ISEC and former Governor of Goa, chaired the inaugural session. Prof. R Radhakrishna, Director, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, was the president-elect of the conference. He delivered the presidential address on 'Agricultural Growth, Employment and Poverty: A Policy Perspective.' Ms Mary Johnson, Director, International Labour Organisation, addressed the gathering as a distinguished invitee and underscored the issues pertaining to the sector. A souvenir was released during the inauguration by the Chief Guest.



The main topics selected for discussion were (i) Redundancy and Rehabilitation of Workers; (ii) Social Security for Workers in the Unorganised Sector; and (iii) Changing Agrarian Relations and Rural Labour. The sessions were simultaneously organised in the three seminar halls. About 60 papers and theme papers were presented and discussed during the sessions.

In addition to the conference themes, a panel discussion was specially organised. Prof. Jan Breman, Centre for Asian Studies, Amsterdam, Dr. A K Bagchi, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, Dr. K Kalirajan, and Dr. K Otsuka, Foundation for Advanced Studies on International Development, Tokyo, Prof. Aswani Saith, Institute for Social Studies, Netherlands, and Prof. Li Minghuang, Xiamen University, China, participated in a panel discussion on 'Labour under Globalisation.' The conference featured two important lectures. Prof. Guy Standing, Director, In Focus programme of the International Labour Organisation, delivered the Shri V V Giri Memorial Lecture, on December 19, 2001. He spoke on 'Globalisation: The Eight Crises of Social Protection'. The lecture was chaired by Smt Teresa Bhattacharya, Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka, and was attended by a large number of invitees, including some of the founder members and members of the Board of Governors of the Institute. Similarly, Prof. Deepak Nayyar, Vice-Chancellor, University of Delhi, delivered the Shri V B Singh Memorial Lecture. He spoke on 'Globalisation and Labour: Work, Livelihoods and Rights.' Prof. B K Chandrashekar, Honourable Minister for Information and Technology, Government of Karnataka, chaired the session.

The valedictory session was held on December 20, 2001, wherein the deliberations of the conference were summarised by Professors Mahendra Rao, Sucha Singh Gill and C S Venkataratnam. Mr T R Satish Chandran chaired the session. Prof. S P Gupta, Member, Planning Commission, Government of India, delivered the valedictory address. Mr T B Jayachandra, Honourable Minister for Agriculture, Government of Karnataka, was the Chief Guest of the session. The organisation of the conference was guided by Mr T R Satish Chandran; Mr B K Bhattacharya, former Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka; Dr A Ravindra, Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka; Mr Bulla Subba Rao, Principal Secretary, Department of Labour, Government of Karnataka; and Prof. M Govinda Rao. Mr Ranganathan, Registrar, ISEC, and his staff ably shouldered the entire responsibility of administration. About 200 labour economists from all over the country and about a dozen foreign delegates participated in the conference.

The media coverage and the participants' response suggest that the conference was a success.

National Seminar on Public Finance in Indian States: The Emerging Scenario

At the request of the Karnataka Tax Reforms Commission, a seminar was organized on 'Public Finance in Indian States: The Emerging Scenario' during July 11–12, 2001 at Hotel Capitol. Dr. Manmohan Singh, former Union Minister of Finance, inaugurated the seminar. Mr Veerappa Moily, Chairman of the Tax Reforms Commission, delivered the keynote address. Mr. S M Krishna, Honourable Chief Minister of Karnataka, presided over the function.

A host of issues pertaining to the State's fiscal system were discussed at the seminar. These included the issues and options on the design and implementation of value added tax, improving the revenue productivity of various state taxes such as state excise duty, stamps and registration, and taxes on transportation of goods and passengers. There were also detailed presentations on tax administration and e-governance as well as volume, composition and targeting of subsidies at the state level.

A number of public finance specialists from all over the country attended the seminar. These included Professors G Thimmaiah, Amaresh Bagchi, Ashok Lahiri, Arindam Das Gupta, Dr. Pranob Sen and Dr. Tapas Sen.

Karnataka Rajyotsava Extension Lecture

Professor Roddam Narasimha, Director of National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, delivered the Karnataka Rajyotsava Extension Lecture on 'Some Thoughts on the Scientific, Industrial and other Allied Revolutions' on November 27, 2001, at ISEC.

The non-occurrence of the scientific and industrial revolution in India has traditionally been ascribed to idealistic and speculative philosophies, social rigidity, closed educational systems, lack of exposure to foreign land and civilisational complacency. However, Prof. Narasimha advocated a closer look at why such revolutions arose in Europe in order to understand why they failed to occur in India. Referring to the technical and mathematical inventions of the East that predated the birth of modern science in Europe, Prof. Narasimha described it as a period when European science showed no advancement, historically known as the 'Dark Ages of Europe'. It was technical inventions such as printing, gunpowder and the magnet during this period in China and the 'mathematicisation' of science in India, which Europe imported through West Asia, that spurred the 'Scientific Revolution' in Europe in the sixteenth century. These inventions, in combination with the scientific traditions of ancient Greece, turned out to be enormously successful and revived science in Europe after a long period of utter stagnation.



Turning to the Industrial Revolution, Prof. Narasimha said that the changed intellectual climate in England following the Scientific Revolution sowed the seeds of the Industrial Revolution there. He argued that the climate of economic prosperity in China, India and West Asia prior to the Industrial Revolution precluded the need to change the prevailing global order, and hence failed to spark a revolution there.

In conclusion, Prof. Narasimha cited two major factors that kept India from being the mainspring of the scientific and industrial revolution: lack of aspirations of Indian rulers to expand their boundaries and a strong philosophical scepticism about the validity of axioms/models.



Prof. Roddam Narasimha, Director, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, delivering the Karnataka Rajyotsava Extension Lecture on November 27, 2001, at ISEC.

Seminar on Life and Works of Prof. V K R V Rao

A seminar on Life and Works of Prof. V K R V Rao was held on December 27, 2001. Eminent social scientists, faculty and staff of ISEC, and members of Prof. Rao's family attended the programme. On the occasion, the book *Partial Memoirs of Prof. V K R V Rao* (edited by Mr. S L Rao) was released by Dr. Manmohan Singh, former Finance Minister, Government of India.



Dr Manmohan Singh, former Union Finance Minister, releasing the book *Partial Memoirs of Prof V K R V Rao* at the seminar on Life and Works of Prof. V K R V Rao, held on December 27, 2001, at ISEC. Also seen in the picture are: Mr S L Rao, former Director General, NCAER, (extreme left), and Mr T R Satish Chandran, Chairman, Board of Governors, ISEC (extreme right).

Prof. V K R V Rao's contributions in various areas of Economics, his personality as a teacher and as an institution builder were discussed at length in the seminar. Mr. T R Satish Chandran, in his welcome address, recalled the setting up of ISEC, the youngest of the three institutions that Prof. Rao built. Mr. S L Rao read some passages from the Introduction to *Partial Memoirs of Prof. V K R V Rao*, highlighting important facets of contributions to macroeconomics. Dr. G Thimmaiah spoke about Prof. Rao's contribution to the literature on Indian tax policy and fiscal federalism. Dr. V M Rao recounted Prof. Rao's inter-disciplinary approach to evolving a strategy for the development of a backward district in Tumkur district. Dr. M Govinda Rao spoke about the achievements of ISEC during the last 28 years, and outlined the emerging challenges. Dr. T K Barthakur recalled several personal anecdotes of her life as a student of Prof. V K R V Rao at Delhi School of Eco-

nomics. Dr. Manmohan Singh summarised the discussion and stated that it is impossible to identify any other person in this part of the world with so much of contribution to teaching and research in analytical and empirical economics, and building of high quality knowledge institutions in the social sciences.

The seminar ended with a vote of thanks by Prof. A S Seetharamu.

Seminars by Visitors

Counting the Poor: An Elementary Difficulty in the Measurement of Poverty — Prof. S Subramanian, Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai (July 25, 2001)

Contributions of Prof. Amartya Sen to Economics and Philosophy — Prof. Kaushik Basu, Professor, V K R V Rao Chair (July 26, 2001)

Divided Cities: The Conflicts of Governance and Economics of Bangalore — Dr. Solomon Benjamin, Architect and Urban Planning Consultant (August 6, 2001)

The Burden of Our History: Africa and the Challenges of a Delegitimised Past — Dr. Chris Uroh, (November 12, 2001)



Lectures by Visitors

Theory of Consumption and Theory of Markets in Partial Equilibrium — *Prof. Arindam Das Gupta*, (September 3-7, 2001)

Environmental Kuznets Curve — *Prof. John Braden*, University of Illinois, USA, (September 14, 2001)

Biodiversity Loss — *Prof. Charles Perrings*, University of York, UK, (September 14, 2001)

New Political Economy — *Dr M V Rajeev Gowda*, Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore, (September 26, 2001)

Seminars by Faculty

A Study of the Functioning of Departments of Education and Health in Karnataka State — *Prof. Seetharamu and Dr T V Sekher* (at ISEC, July 12, 2001)

A Study of Maternal Health Care in Three Districts of Karnataka — *Dr. Mutharayappa* (at ISEC, July 19, 2001)

Agricultural Input Subsidies in India: Quantum of Subsidies to SC/ST Farmers — *Dr. M Mahadeva* (at ISEC, July 24, 2001).

Industrial Incentives in Karnataka: A Study of Capital Investment Subsidy — *Mr. Vivekananda and Dr. K Gayithri* (at ISEC, August 9, 2001).

People's Perception about Rural Development Programme: A Case Study of Karnataka — *Dr. Maruthi* (at ISEC, August 30, 2001).

Flow of Credit to Small and Marginal Farmers — *Dr. M J Bhende* (at ISEC, September 20, 2001).

Afghan Crisis: A Philosophical Analysis — *Prof. A S Seetharamu* (at ISEC, October 16, 2001).

Livestock-Environment Interactions: Issues, Problems and Prospects — *Dr. Syed Ajmal Pasha* (at ISEC, November 8, 2001).

Urban Water Supply and Demand: A Case Study of Bangalore City — *Dr. G S Sastry* (at ISEC, November 15, 2001).

Students' Biannual Seminar Series

ISEC is following the system of biannual seminars to enable the Ph.D. students to present their work done in the previous six months to the faculty and students, and obtain comments and suggestions for improvement. As a part of this, biannual seminars for Ph.D. students were held during December 10–14, 2001. Of the 29 seminars presented, three were pre-submission seminars.

Ph.D. Awarded

Mr. Sadananda Prusty (Economics 1993) was awarded the Ph.D. degree by University of Mysore on October 10, 2001 for his thesis 'Fiscal Finances, Money Supply and Inflation in India: An Empirical Analysis.' Dr Hemlata Rao was her supervisor.

Mr. S Gregory (Development Studies, 1990–91) was awarded the Ph.D. degree by University of Mysore on October 17, 2001 for his thesis 'Sericulture and the Process of Change: A Socio-Cultural Study of a Tamil Nadu Village.' Dr G K Karanth was his supervisor.

Ms. Geethanjali Nataraj (Economics, 1995–96) was awarded the Ph.D. degree by the University of Mysore on October 17, 2001, for her thesis 'Impact of Foreign Trade Policy Reforms on Domestic Welfare in India: An Empirical Study.' Dr M R Narayana was her supervisor.

Mr. L Palaneethra (External, Part-time; Education, 1993) was awarded the Ph.D. degree by the University of Mysore on October 20, 2001, for his thesis on 'A Study of the Problems of Achievement of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Students in Secondary Schools in relation to Their School and Home Adjustment.' Dr A S Seetharamu was his supervisor.



Research Projects

Completed

Shrinkage of Areas Covered under Tank Irrigation in Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka (A combined report)
(Dr P Thippaiah)

A Study of Maternal Health Care in Three Districts of Karnataka (Dr R Mutharayappa)

Elite Perceptions of Poverty: The Case of Karnataka (Dr Anand Inbanathan)

Government Expenditure on Rural Development: A Study of Karnataka (Dr K Gayithri)

Effectiveness of Public Expenditure Restraint Measures: A Comparative Study of Canada and India (Dr K Gayithri)

A Study of Maternal Health Care in Three Districts of Karnataka (Dr R Mutharayappa)

Linking Ecology, Economics and Institutions of Village Level Forest Use in the Karnataka Western Ghats (Dr Sharachchandra Lele)

Evaluation of Bhagya Jyothi/Kutir Jyothi Scheme in Karnataka (Mr M Vivekananda)

Elite Perceptions of Poverty: The Case of Karnataka (Dr Anand Inbanathan)

New

Educational Administration in Karnataka State: A Functional Review (Dr A S Seetharamu)

Urban Water Supply and Demand: A Case Study of Bangalore City (Dr G S Sastry)

Livestock-Environment Interactions: Issues, Problems and Prospects (Dr Syed Ajmal Pasha)

Likely Impact of Liberalised Imports and Low Tariffs and Edible Oil Sector in the Country: A Case Study of Karnataka (Dr R S Deshpande)

Agricultural Input Subsidies in India: Quantum of Subsidies to SC/ST Farmers (Dr M Mahadeva)

Evaluation of Post-Harvest Losses of Tomatoes in Selected Areas in Karnataka (Dr S Erappa)

Functional Review of Department of Health and Family Welfare in Karnataka (Dr T V Sekher)

Panchayat Jamabandi in Karnataka: An Evaluation Study (Dr N Sivanna)

Decentralised Governance, Representation, and People's Participation: The Panchayats of Kerala
(Dr Anand Inbanathan and Dr V Vijayalakshmi)

Industrial Incentives in Karnataka: A Study of Capital Investment Subsidy—Bangalore Division
(Dr K Gayithri)

Industrial Incentives in Karnataka: A Study of Capital Investment Subsidy—Gulbarga Division
(Sri M Vivekananda)

Flow of Credit and Small and Marginal Farmers in Karnataka (Dr M J Bhende)

Assessing the Existing Training and Testing Facilities for Farm Machinery in Karnataka (Dr K V Raju)

Adolescence and their Reproductive Health Status: A Study in Karnataka (Dr C S Veeramatha)

Area-Specific Study—Reproductive and Child Health Programmes in the Urban Slums of Bangalore City: A Study on Unmet Need for Family Welfare Services (Dr C S Veeramatha)

Evaluation of Sterilisation Bed Scheme in Karnataka (Dr K S Umamani)

Working Papers

WP 87. *Private Foreign Investment in Post-Reform India: A Search for Proximate Determinants* — M Jaya Krishna

WP 88. *Politics of Inclusion: Scheduled Tribe Women in Local Governance* — V Vijayalakshmi

WP 89. *Fertility Transition in Karnataka: Levels, Trends and Implications* — T V Sekher, K N M Raju and MN Sivakumar

WP 90. *Forest Tenure Regimes in the Karnataka Western Ghats: A Compendium* — A S Srinidhi and Sharachchandra Lele



- WP91. *Community Participation in Rural Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation: A Case Study of Karnataka* — Veerashekharappa
- WP92. *Communication and Linguistic Situation in Karnataka: Demographic Perspectives* — M Johnson Samuel
- WP93. *Irrigation Subsidies in Karnataka: A Growing Constraint for Reforms* — K V Raju and H K Amarnath
- WP94. *Elite Perceptions of Poverty: The Case of Karnataka* — Anand Inbanathan
- WP95. *Institutional Pluralism: Case of Swideners in Orissa* — Amalendu Jyotishi
- WP96. *Representation and Accountability in Local Government: The Panchayats of Karnataka* — Anand Inbanathan
- WP97. *Challenges of Fiscal Decentralization in Developing and Transitional Economies — An Asian Perspective* — M Govinda Rao
- WP98. *Fiscal Decentralization in Indian Federalism* — M Govinda Rao
- WP99. *Productivity Differentials and the Real Exchange Rate: Empirical Evidence from India* — Purna Chandra Parida, B Kamaiah and Maathai K Mathiyazhagan
- WP 100. *Purchasing Power Parity and its Validity in the South Asian Countries* — Purna Chandra Parida, Maathai K Mathiyazhagan and G Nancharaiah

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(with Dr. D K Srivastav). *Central Budgetary Subsidies*, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, New Delhi, 2001.

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Sangita, S N

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'Organisations for Participatory Common Property Resource Management,' in Bhaskar Vira and Roger Jeffery (ed.), *Analytical Issues in Participatory Natural Resource Management*, Palgrave Publishers, New York, 2001.

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PARTICIPATION IN SEMINARS

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Bhende, M J

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'Flow of Credit to Small and Marginal Farmers in Karnataka' at a seminar on **Flow of Credit to Small and Marginal Farmers in India**, organised by IIM Ahmedabad during November 2–3, 2001.



Deshpande, R S

(with M J Bhende and P Thippaiah). 'Farmers' Ability to Pay for Electricity Tariff' at a workshop on **Power Supply to Irrigation Pumps, Tariff and Related Issues**, organised by Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission, during August 20–21, 2001.

(with M G Deepika) 'Exim Policy and Agricultural Trade in India' at the National Workshop on **Challenges of Liberalisation to Indian Agriculture and Protection of Farmers' Rights**, organised by National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad, during August 24–25, 2001.

'Impact of WTO on Indian Agriculture and Specifically on Karnataka' at a seminar on **Issues in Agricultural Marketing in Karnataka**, organised by Karnataka State Agricultural Marketing Board, on October 4, 2001, in Hubli.

(with A Narayanamurthy). 'Irrigation Development and Agricultural Wages: An Analysis Across States' at **Development Convention 2001**, organised by Madras Institute of Development Studies, during November 17–18, 2001.

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'The Determinants of Private Foreign Investment in Post-Reform India' at the **Convention on Development**, organised by Madras Institute of Development Studies during November 16–18, 2001.

Lele, Sharachchandra

(with Veena Srinivasan and Kamal Bawa). 'Returns to Investment in Conservation: Disaggregated Benefit-Cost Analysis of the Creation of a Wildlife Sanctuary' at an international conference on **Tropical Ecosystems: Structure, Diversity and Human Welfare**, organised by Association for Tropical Biology, on July 18, 2001, in Bangalore.

(with B Smitha, J Krishnaswamy and K Chandrasekhara). 'Consequences of Forest Conversion to Coffee Plantation on Litter Beetle and Ant Communities' at an international conference on **Tropical Ecosystems: Structure, Diversity and Human Welfare**, organised by Association for Tropical Biology, on July 18, 2001, in Bangalore.

Nair, Janaki

'The Unspeakable Violence of 1942: Issoor Revisited' at **ICHR Southern Regional Seminar**, organised by ICHR, during August 25–26, 2001, Bangalore.

'Law and History' at **Alternative Law Forum Seminar**, organised by Alternative Law Forum, during September 8–9, 2001, Bangalore.

'Feminism as Critique' at **Feminisms in ASIA**, organised by Centre for the Study of Culture and Society during October 17–20, 2001, Bangalore.

Narayana, M R

'Student Loan by Commercial Banks to General Higher Education: An Economic Analysis' for the National Seminar on **Privatisation of Banks**, organised by the Corporation Bank Chair in Bank Management, Mangalore University, Mangalore, during October 18–20, 2001.

Ninan, K N

(with Jeena T S). 'User Knowledge and State Regulation of Common Property Resource; Experience of Estuarine Fisheries Management in Kerala' at a workshop on **Policy Implications of Knowledge with respect to CPR Management in India**. This was organised by Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi, and University of Cambridge, UK, on September 14, 2001, at Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi.



Pasha, Syed Ajmal

Prepared a background note on Final Report of the Eco-Committee-2001, (which was prepared under the Chairmanship of Shri A N Yellappa Reddy), Irrigation Department, Government of Karnataka, and presented at a workshop on **Greening of Karnataka**. This was organised by Institution of Agricultural Technologists (IAT), Indian Society for Environmental Studies (ISES), and Department of Water Resources, Government of Karnataka, and held at IAT, Bangalore, on July 9, 2001, at IAT, Bangalore.

Rajasekhar, D

'Rural Decentralisation in Kerala' at an international workshop on **Decentralisation in Kerala: Status, Best Practices and Strategy**, organized by Institute of Management in Government, Thiruvananthapuram, during August 16–18, 2001, in Thiruvananthapuram.

Rao, M Govinda

(with Nirvikar Singh). 'Federalism in India: Political Economy and Reforms' at a seminar entitled **India: Ten Years of Economic Reforms**, organised by William Davidson Institute, University of Michigan, September 21–23, 2001.

Rao, Hemlata

'One Village Group, One Product Movement: An Alternative Strategy for Rural Development' at Indo-Japan Seminar, on March 26, 2001, at JNU, New Delhi.

'Economic Restructuring and Employment Adjustment: Lessons from Japanese Experience' — *Indian Journal of Labour Economics Conference*, (Vol. 44, No.4, Oct–Dec 2001, p.771), presented at the 43rd Annual Conference of Indian Society of Labour Economics held during December 18–20, 2001, at ISEC, Bangalore.

Sekher, T V

'Gender Issues in Migration' at the National Seminar on **Political Economy of Migration**, organized by Ecumenical Christian Centre, during August 17–19, 2001, in Bangalore.

Seminars, Workshops, Training Programmes Organised

Deshpande, R S

Workshop on **Exposure of Foreign Trade and WTO to Tobacco Farmers** during August 24–25, 2001, sponsored by Tobacco Board, Government of India.

43rd Conference of the Indian Society of Labour Economics, during December 18–20, 2001, sponsored by Indian Society of Labour Economics.

Lele, Sharachchandra

Workshop on **Methodological Issues in Interdisciplinary Research on the Environment**, sponsored by Indian Society for Ecological Economics, during July 21–23, 2001.

Hydrology for Social Scientists [Pre-Conference Workshop held at IIFM (Bhopal)], organised by Indian Society for Ecological Economics on December 18, 2001.

Pasha, Syed Ajmal

Jointly coordinated the **Faculty Upgradation Programme in Environmental Economics**, conducted by the Ecological Economics Unit of ISEC from September 10 to October 9, 2001. The programme was part of the World Bank-aided India: Environmental Management Capacity Building Technical Assistance Project of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India, sponsored by Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India.

Rao, M Govinda

Organized the **Regional Round Table on Information and Communication Technology**, jointly sponsored by the Asian Development Bank, Ministry of Information Technology, Govt. of India, Department of Information Technology, Government of Karnataka, and ISEC, Bangalore, during August 28–30, 2001.

Organised a half-day seminar on **Life and Works of Prof. V K R V Rao** on December 27, 2001.

Sastry, G S

Co-director, **Faculty Upgradation Programme in Environmental Economics**, September 10–October 9, 2001, sponsored by the World Bank - aided India: Environmental Management Capacity Building Technical Assistance Project of the



Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India.

Sekher, T V

Workshop on **Reproductive and Child Health Issues**, jointly organized by ISEC and Govt. of Karnataka, on October 12, 2001, sponsored by ISEC and India Population Project - IX, Govt. of Karnataka.

'Impact of Globalization on Women's Education in Indian Context,' organised by NIEPA, New Delhi, at PHD House, New Delhi, December 19, 2001.

Participation in Seminars, Conferences, Workshops as Chairman, Discussant, Rapporteur

Amarnath, H K

Participated as rapporteur in the **National Conference on Backward Areas**, held during July 13–14, 2001, organized by Swami Ramananda Thirtha Institute for Socio-economic Research and Integration, and NIRD, in Bangalore.

Deshpande, R S

Participated as a discussant in a seminar on **Dams and Development**, organised by Gomukha Trust and Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, during August 4–5, 2001.

Participated as a discussant in **Rural Transformation in India: The Role of Non-Farm Sector**, organised by Department of International Development (UK), Institute for Human Development, and The World Bank during September 19–21, 2001.

Participated as a discussant of the paper on 'Irrigation and Agricultural Development in Kerala: An Analysis of Missed Linkages' at **Development Convention 2001**, organised by Madras Institute of Development Studies during November 1–3, 2001, in Chennai.

Chaired the seminar on **Flow of Credit to Small and Marginal Farmers in India**, organised by Centre for Management in Agriculture, Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, during November 2–3, 2001.

Lele, Sharachchandra

Participated as Programme Committee member and rapporteur in a seminar on **Water Resources, Sustainable Livelihoods and Ecosystem Services**, organised by Indian Society for Ecological Economics at Bhopal during December 18–21, 2001.

Pasha, Syed Ajmal

Participated as a resource person in a seminar on **Policy Implications of Knowledge with Respect to Common Pool Resources in India**, jointly organised by Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), Delhi, and Department for International Development (DFID) in collaboration with the University of Cambridge, UK, on September 14, 2001.

Rao, M Govinda

Chaired a seminar on **Power Supply to Irrigation Pumpsets: Tariff and Related Issues**, organised by Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission, during August 20–21, 2001.

Chaired the **Convention on Development** (dedicated to the memory of Dr Malcolm S Adisheshaiah) Session I under Theme II (Poverty and Nutrition) organized by Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, on November 17, 2001, Chennai.

Chaired a session on 'Economic Policy Implications' of the **National Round Table on Competition Law and Policy**, organized by National Law School of India University, Bangalore, on November 18, 2001.

Rao, Hemlata

Chaired the **National Conference on Backward Area Development**, organized by Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, during July 13–14, 2001, at Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore.

Participated as discussant in a seminar on **Labour Reform, Industrial Productivity and Job Security**, organized by US Consulate General, on August 8, 2001, at Gateway Hotel, Bangalore.

Participated as a member in the **Preparation of Memoranda on VAT**, organized by State Taxes Committee, FKCCI,



on November 9, 2001.

Seetharamu, A S

Participated as Moderator in the workshop on **Gender and Poverty — Perspectives for the Tenth Five Year Plan**, organised by NIPCCD/WDC-GOK/WB, during December 10–11, 2001, in Bangalore.

Usha, M N

Participated as rapporteur for the session on HRD in the **National Seminar on Backward Areas**, organised by Swami Ramananda Thirtha Institute for Socio-economic Research and Integration and CAPART, New Delhi, Department of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, GOK, Bangalore, during July 13–14, 2001, at NIAS, IISC, Bangalore.

Veerashekharaappa

Participated as rapporteur in the **National Seminar on Backward Areas**, organized by Swami Ramananda Thirtha Institute for Socio-economic Research and Integration, and National Institute of Rural Development, Hyderabad, on July 13 and 14, 2001.

Seminars, Conferences, Workshops, Meetings Attended

Babu, M Devendra

South Zone Conference on Panchayat Raj Institutions, organised by Karl Kubel Institute for Development Education, during December 28–29, 2001, in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu.

Gopalappa, D V

Workshop on Dams and Drought, organised by SAHAYOGA, on October 28, 2001, Bangalore.

Inbanathan, Anand

Workshop on the Kerala Model of Decentralisation, during August 17–18, 2001, in Thiruvananthapuram.

Mutharayappa, R

Multiple Indicator Survey-2000 workshop, Karnataka, organized by UNICEF-Hyderabad and Department of Women and Child Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka, on July 16, 2001, in Bangalore.

State Research Coordination Committee Meeting organized by Regional Health Office, on September 19, 2001, in Bangalore.

RHS-District Level Survey workshop under RCH Project, organized by International Institute for Population Sciences, during November 5–10, 2001, in Mumbai.

Ninan, K N

Workshop on Dams and Drought, organised by Sahayoga, on October 28, 2001, at Indian Social Institute, in Bangalore.

Rajasekhar, D

National Seminar on Drought Management and Sustainable Development, organized by Department of Rural Development, at Sri Krishna Devaraya University.

Rao, M Govinda

National Seminar on Value Addition in Indian Agriculture, organized by IDBI, on July 20, 2001, in Bangalore.

Seminar on IIMB's proposed new one-year post-graduate course on **Public Policy Management**, organized by IIM-B, on November 28, 2001, in Bangalore.

Rao, Hemlata

Seminar on **Regional Disparities and Backwardness — Concept Paper**, organized by Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department on July 14, 2001.

Workshop on **New Transport Policy of Karnataka**, organised by Honourable Minister of Transport, Government of Karnataka, October 20, 2001.

VAT Seminar, organized by FKCCI and the World Bank, November 2, 2001, at NIAS, Bangalore.

Sangita, S N

Workshop on Forging Links Between IIPA and Departments of Political Science, organized by Indian Institute of Public Administration, Karnataka Regional Branch, and Ambedkar Centre, Bangalore University, on July 27, 2001, in Bangalore.

Workshop on Legal Education in India, organized by National Law School of India University.

***Sekher, T V***

Training of Trainers Workshop on RCH Project, organised by IIPS, Mumbai, during November 5–10, 2001, in Mumbai.

Sivanna, N

Workshop on Role of Women in Grama Sabha Meetings, organised by ISST, Bangalore, on December 14, 2001, in Bangalore.

South Zonal Conference on Panchayati Raj Institutions, organised by Karl Kubel Foundation for Child and Family, Kochi, during December 28–29, 2001, in Coimbatore.

Usha, M N

National Seminar on E-Learning, organised by Ministry of Information Technology, Government of India, & C-DAC, Hyderabad, during August 7–8, 2001, at Birla Museum, Hyderabad.

Vijayalakshmi, V

Workshop on **Centralisation in Kerala**, organised by Government of Kerala and World Bank, during August 17–18, 2001, in Thiruvananthapuram.

Keynote and Presidential Addresses

Deshpande, R S

‘Implications of WTO Agreement for Indian Agriculture’ at **National Seminar on Value Addition in Indian Agriculture**, organised by Industrial Development Bank of India during July 20–21, 2001, at Hotel Ashoka, Bangalore.

Sangita, S N

‘Ethics of Virtues in Public Sector: Positive Role of Vigilance’ at Vigilance Awareness Week, organized by H.A.L., Corporate Office, Bangalore, on November 1, 3, 2001, in Bangalore.

‘Vigilance Awareness and Cleanliness in Public Life’ at Vigilance Awareness Week, organized by ITI, Bangalore, on November 2, 2001, in Bangalore.

‘Ethics in Public Life’ at Vigilance Awareness Week, organized by Central Power Corporation Regional Office, on November 6, 2001, in Bangalore.

Lectures, Talks Delivered

Babu, M Devendra

One lecture on ‘Finances of PRIs in Karnataka’ at Danida, Challakere, Chitradurga district, July 17, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Planning Process in Panchayats’ at Danida, Challakere, Chitradurga district, July 18, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Finances of PRIs in Karnataka’ at Danida, Molakalmur, Chitradurga district, July 19, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Planning Process in Panchayats’ at Danida, Molakalmur, Chitradurga district, July 20, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Finances of PRIs in Karnataka’ at Institute of Youth and Development, July 31, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Planning Process in Panchayats’ at Institute of Youth and Development, July 31, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Planning Process at Zilla Panchayat’ at SIRD, Mysore, August 28, 2001.

Deshpande, R S

One lecture on ‘WTO and Indian Agriculture’ at Gokhale Institute of Public Affairs, Bangalore, on July 13, 2001, in Bangalore.

One lecture on ‘Economic Implications of IPR on Indian Agriculture’ at Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding, UAS, Hebbal, on August 28, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Challenges before Indian Agriculture’ at Marathi Arthashastra Parishad, on October 5, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Economics of Caste System’ at Institute of Agricultural Technologists, Bangalore, on October 10, 2001.

Gopalappa, D V

One lecture on ‘Water Users’ Cooperative Societies — Problems and Prospects’ at Naragund Water Users’ Cooperative Society, on August 18, 2001.

One lecture on ‘Water Users’ Cooperative Societies — Problems and Prospects’ at Jamkandi Water Users’



Cooperative Society, on August 18, 2001.

Nair, Janaki

Three lectures on 'Law and History' at National Law School of India University, Bangalore.

Narayana, M R

Eight lectures on 'Public Financing of Higher Education in Karnataka' during September 8–December 10, 2001, for UGC Orientation Programme for College Teachers at Academic Staff College, at Bangalore University, Bangalore.

Two lectures on 'Globalisation and Higher Education in Karnataka' on October 22, 2001, for UGC Refresher Course in Economics for College Teachers at Academic Staff College, University of Mysore, Mysore.

Rao, M Govinda

One lecture on 'Some Applications of Forecasting in Public Finance' to the **Workshop on Time Series Analysis and Forecasting** at Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, on November 30, 2001.

Sangita, S N

One lecture on 'Ethics in Public Life — How to Reform' at Gokhale Institute of Public Affairs, on November 10, 2001.

Seetharamu, A S

Two lectures on 'Economics of Higher Education in a Liberalising Economy' at Academic Staff College, Mysore, on October 20, 2001.

Two lectures on 'Structural Adjustments in Higher Education in India' at Academic Staff College, Bangalore University, on December 4, 2001.

Sivanna, N

Three lectures on '73rd Amendment, Panchayat Raj System in Karnataka' at Institute for Youth Development, Bangalore, on July 30, 2001.

Two lectures on 'Decentralised Planning Process: Role of Grama Sabhas' at ANSSIRD, Mysore, on October 19, 2001.

Two lectures on '73rd Amendment, Role of Grama Sabhas' at Bangalore Rural Zilla Panchayat, Bangalore, on November 10, 2001, Kanakapura.

Two lectures on 'Panchayats and Water Supply' at Danida and Om Consultancy, Bangalore, on December 12, 2001.

Three lectures on 'Decentralisation and Democracy, Decentralisation and Development' at Kannada University, Hampi, on December 31, 2001.

Vani, B P

Five lectures on 'Time Series Analysis and Forecasting' at Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, on November 27, 28 and 30, 2001.

Fellowships Awarded

Nair, Janaki

Visiting Social Scientist at National Centre for Biological Sciences since February 2001.

Ninan, K N

Visiting Japan Foundation Fellow at the Laboratory of Forest Policy, University of Tokyo, Japan, during June – July 2001.

Sekher, Madhushree

Adjunct Faculty, National Law School of India University, July – September 2001.

Miscellaneous

Krishna, M Jaya

Selected to participate in Winter School at Centre for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics, during December 28, 2001–January 4, 2002.



Lele, Sharachchandra

Karnataka Aranyada Sthithi-gati: A discussion with the Karnataka Forest Minister (on Udaya News Channel, Panchayati Katte Programme) aired on December 12, 2001, at 9 p.m.

Narayana, M R

Contributed, as a member of the Expert Group, to the preparation of the Report of the Expert Group on Estimation of State Domestic Product, Department of Planning, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore, in September 2001.

Ninan, K N

Prepared a monograph entitled 'Forest Economy of Japan — A Century's Perspective,' as part of Japan Foundation Research Fellowship Programme, 2001.

Reviewer, *Ecological Economics*, USA, and *Environment and Development Economics*, UK.

Rao, M Govinda

Interviewed by *Focus* magazine on 'Tenth Five Year Plan: Problems and Priorities', published in the special issue of *Focus* dated August 2001, Vol.7, No. 3.

Refereed the manuscript 'Can Decentralization Limit the Growth of Government? A Test of the Leviathan Hypothesis for the Indian Federation' for the journal *PUBLIUS* (The Journal of Federalism).

Sekher, T V

Gave a talk on All India Radio, Bangalore, on 'Meeting the Unmet Needs of Family Planning,' September 7, 2001.

Seetharamu, A S

Advisor, UPSE, Selection of Principals for the Delhi Public Schools during August 1–3, 2001.

Offices Held in Academic/Professional/Administrative Bodies

Babu, M Devendra

Annual Member, Indian Labour Economics Society

Annual Member, Indian Regional Science Association

Life Member, Karnataka Economic Society

Deshpande, R S

Member, Economic Affairs and WTO Committee of the Greater Mysore Chamber of Industry

Member, Committee on Formulation of Uniform Policy on Resettlement and Rehabilitation of PAFs, Revenue Department, Government of Karnataka.

Member, High Power Expert Committee to Investigate into Farmers' Suicides in Karnataka, Government of Karnataka

Member, Board of Studies, Gulbarga University, Gulbarga

Member, Working Committee of the Karnataka State Agricultural Prices Commission, Bangalore

Kusanna, M

General Secretary, Bharatiya Dalit Sahitya Akademi — Karnataka State Unit

Ninan, K N

Member, International Society of Ecological Economics, USA

Member, International Association of Agricultural Economics, UK

Founder Member, Indian Society of Ecological Economics

Member, Indian Society of Agricultural Economics, Mumbai

Member, Asian Society of Agricultural Economics, Korea

Rajasekhar, D

Member of the Working Group constituted by the Government of Karnataka on Strengthening Decentralisation in Karnataka.

Sangita, S N

Nominated Executive Member in Indian Institute of Public Administration, Local Branch

Member, Board of Studies, Department of Political Science, Karnatak University, Dharwad



Member, Board of Studies, Department of Political Science, Gulbarga University, Gulbarga
Indian Public Administration Association (Life)
Indian Political Science Association (Life)
Indian Institute of Public Administration (Life)
Indian Academy of Social Sciences (Life)
Indian Society for Development and Environmental Studies (Life)

Vijayalakshmi, V

International Sociological Association

Workshop on Rehabilitation of Irrigation Tanks in Karnataka

A workshop was held at the Institute on July 17, 2001, to discuss the findings of Social and Environmental Assessment (SEA) of tanks in Karnataka, carried out by a team of faculty members from ISEC, comprising Dr K V Raju, Dr G K Karanth, Dr M J Bhende, Dr D Rajasekhar, Dr P Thippaiah, and Dr K G Gayathri Devi. Participants included representatives from the World Bank, Jala Samvardhane Yojana Sangha (JSYS), government departments concerned, experts in irrigation management, environment, gender, rural development, noted academicians, NGOs, and farmers.

The study was sponsored by JSYS, an autonomous body set up by the Government of Karnataka to take up the work on tank rehabilitation and management through community participation.

The findings of the study were presented separately to four issue-based groups. These included social and gender-related assessment and action plans, environmental assessment with screening criteria and parameters for selection of tanks, mitigation measures to minimize negative externalities like Pest Management Plan, Resettlement Action Plan and Integrated People's Development Plan, Monitoring and Evaluation, and an institutional framework to establish linkages with Panchayat Raj Institutions, line departments, NGOs and SHGs.

Faculty Upgradation Programme in Environmental Economics

A faculty upgradation programme in Environmental Economics was conducted by the Ecological Economics Unit during September 10–October 9, 2001. This national-level programme formed part of the World Bank-aided 'India: Environmental Management Capacity Building Technical Assistance Project' of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India.

The objective was to provide comprehensive training in environmental economics to college teachers as well as those teaching and doing research in agricultural, management, and engineering institutions. Accordingly, the lecture schedule was organised in four modules: basics, concepts, and theory; approaches, methods and case studies; empirical issues and macro concerns; and policy questions and emerging issues. Three field studies were also arranged to showcase the recent advances in industrial pollution monitoring, wastewater treatment, watershed development, and the protection of 'sacred' groves and bird sanctuaries.

Twenty-five teachers/researchers, half of whom were women, from all over India attended the programme. Thirty-five resource persons, including some of the leading scholars on the subject, both from India and abroad, provided valuable training inputs. Prof. John Braden, of the University of Illinois, and Prof. Charles Perrings, of the University of York—the internationally renowned environmental economists—served as resource persons for the programme.

Prof. M Govinda Rao gave the welcome address, and Prof. V M Rao delivered the inaugural address. The valedictory address was given by Prof. M Govinda Rao and the vote of thanks by Prof. R Maria Saleth. The programme was coordinated by Prof. R Maria Saleth, Dr G S Sastry, Dr M Venkata Reddy, and Dr Syed Ajmal Pasha.

Inauguration of Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies in Environment and Development (CISED)

The Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies in Environment and Development (CISED) was inaugurated on July 22, 2001, in the ISEC campus. The inauguration was marked by the lighting of a lamp by the Chief Guest, Prof. Madhav Gadgil (IISc); Chairman, Board of Governors, ISEC, Mr. T R Satish Chandran; Director of ISEC, Prof. M Govinda Rao; CISED founder-members Prof. Kamal Bawa (ATREE) and Prof. K S Jagadish (IISc), and CISED Advisory Committee members Dr. Ramachandra Guha, Prof. Kanchan Chopra and Dr. Darshan Shankar. On this occasion, Professors Kamal Bawa, K S Jagadish, and M Govinda Rao spoke about the vision of CISED, Prof.



Madhav Gadgil spoke about the intellectual benefits of interdisciplinarity, and Mr. Satish Chandran spoke about the need for a centre committed to addressing the pressing problems of environment and development. This was followed by the keynote address by Prof. Sheila Jasanoff (Harvard University) on 'Reading between the Lines: The Disciplines and the Environment' as a part of the Indian Society for Ecological Economics' workshop on Methodological Issues in Interdisciplinary Research on the Environment, which was co-organised and hosted by CISED.



The Chairman, Board of Governors, ISEC, Mr. T R Satish Chandran, lighting a lamp to mark the inauguration of the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies in Environment and Development (CISED) on July 22, 2001.

Workshop on Interdisciplinary Environmental Research

The Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies in Environment and Development (CISED) co-organised and hosted a workshop for the Indian Society for Ecological Economics on 'Methodological Issues in Interdisciplinary Research on the Environment' during July 22–24, 2001. The workshop focused on the nature of interdisciplinarity, the obstacles to interdisciplinary environmental research and the possible means of overcoming them. It consisted of keynote talks by several eminent scholars: Prof. Sheila Jasanoff (Harvard University), Prof. Charles Perrings (University of York), Dr. Anand Patwardhan (IIT-Mumbai), Prof. Dilip Ahuja (NIAS), Prof. Kailash Malhotra (ISI-Kolkata), Prof. P S Ramakrishnan (JNU), Dr. Ramachandra Guha (Bangalore), Prof. Bina Agrawal (IEG), Prof. Gopal Karanth (ISEC), and Prof. Juan Martinez-Alier (University of Barcelona). The participants included 20 INSEE members from various disciplines, as well as ISEC Ph.D. students working on environmental issues. In the concluding session, chaired by Prof. Kanchan Chopra, the participants put forward a series of recommendations to INSEE for fostering interdisciplinarity through its activities. This was the first workshop organised by the newly established CISED, and coincided with its inaugural.

ISEC Launches its Website

The ISEC website was inaugurated by the Governor of Karnataka, and President of ISEC Society, Her Excellency Smt. V S Rama Devi, on December 1, 2001. The website, which is hosted at ISEC itself, contains details of the Institute's functions and objectives, management, thrust areas of research, Ph.D. programmes, and academic departments/units. The Vision Document of the Institute can be accessed under Vision 2010. There is also a section on the library and one on computers. The latest information on the Institute's working papers, Journal, newsletter and books is available in Publications. Every faculty member's profile appears on individual pages. Forthcoming events in the Institute feature in a separate slot, as do recent seminars and workshops held. The latest news and events can be found in What's New, and an update on job opportunities is also provided. The Website address is <http://www.isec.ac.in>.



Her Excellency the Governor of Karnataka Smt Rama Devi launching the ISEC website on December 1, 2001.

Inset: Smt Rama Devi being received at the Institute by the Chairman, Board of Governors, ISEC, Mr T R Satish Chandran, before the General Body Meeting of ISEC Society on December 1, 2001.

ISEC acquired a 64 kbps leased line connection from VSNL in August 2001. This has substantially improved accessing of Internet and E-mail. Now ISEC has developed its own Web Server, which is hosted at ISEC itself, and also a Mail Server.



Workshop on Exposure of Foreign Trade and WTO to Tobacco Farmers



Participants in one of the sessions of the 'Workshop on Exposure of Foreign Trade and WTO to Tobacco Farmers,' held during August 24-25, 2001, at ISEC.

A workshop on 'Exposure of Foreign Trade and WTO to Tobacco Farmers of Karnataka' was organized at the Institute during August 24-25, 2001. Tobacco Board, Ministry of Commerce, Government of India, sponsored the workshop. Its focus was on creating awareness about WTO among tobacco growers and disseminating information on international trade requirements pertaining to flue-cured virginia tobacco. Dr. P Dayachari, Chairman, Tobacco Board, Ministry of Commerce, Government of India, was the chief guest of the inaugural session, and Mr T R Satish Chandran, Chairman, Board of Governors, ISEC, chaired the inaugural session; Prof. M Govinda Rao, Director, ISEC, made opening remarks.

In the First Technical Session, Dr S Bisaliah, Chairman, Agricultural Prices Commission, Government of Karnataka, and Dr. G Thimmaiah, Former

Member, Planning Commission, Government of India, presented the basic features of the tobacco economy of India and Karnataka. Dr. P Dayachari chaired the session. The international trade scenario, problems of marketing of tobacco, and Agreement on Agriculture under WTO featured in the Second Technical Session. Papers were presented by Dr. P K Mandanna, Professor of Marketing, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore, and Dr. Jayagovind, Professor, National Law School of India University. Mr. KJBV Subramanyan, Executive Director, Tobacco Board, Ministry of Commerce, Government of India, chaired this session.

Various perspectives were presented in the Third Technical Session by Dr. Dwarakinath, Former Chairman, Karnataka Agriculture Commission, Government of Karnataka, Mr Shankari Koppa, Farmer Leader, and Mr. K Nageshwara Rao, Executive, ITC Ltd – ILTD Division, Mysore. Prof. V M Rao, former member, Commission on Agricultural Costs and Prices, Government of India, chaired the session. In the Fourth Technical Session, chaired by Mr. Shankari Koppa, Farmer Leader, presentations were made by Mr. S M Acharya, Chairman and Managing Director, Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd., Government of Karnataka, and former chairman, Tobacco Board of India, and Dr. Subramanya, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka. Prof. R S Deshpande, Dr. S Erappa and Dr. Veerashekharappa, coordinated the workshop.

Among those who attended the workshop were Prof. H G Hanumappa, Dr. Ravi, Professor of Agricultural Marketing, University of Agricultural Sciences, Dr. Sreenivasa Gowda, Professor of Economics, UAS, Dr. Suryaprakash, Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics, UAS, and Mr. S Munegowda, farmer leader.



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