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in an Unequal World: Public Policy Paths 2024



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Inaugural Ceremony

June 5th 2024

Inauguration Session
9.30 AM to 11.00 AM

Welcome by **Dr. Harini Santhanam**, Head, Dept of Public Policy (DPP), MAHE, Bengaluru

Lighting the Lamp

Inaugural Address

Prof. Madhu Veeraraghavan, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Bengaluru

Chief Guest's address

Prof. D. Rajasekhar, Director, ISEC

Keynote Address

Prof. M.V. Nadkarni, Honorary Visiting Professor, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru

Introducing the National Seminar

Prof. V. Anil Kumar, Head, Centre for Political Institutions, Governance and Development (CPIGD), ISEC, Bengaluru

New Releases : **Shri. S. Ramanathan**, IAS (Retd.), Chairman Emeritus, IIPA-KRB

- A book by **Dr Annapoorna Ravichander** (Visiting Professor, DPP MAHE BLR)
- A book by **Dr V. Anil Kumar** and **Dr D. Jeevan Kumar** (ISEC & IIPA-KRB)
- A book by **Dr V. Anil Kumar**, ISEC, Bengaluru
- Inauguration of IIPA-KRB website

Signing of MoU - MAHE with ISEC and IIPA

Chairperson's Address	Shri T.M. Vijay Bhaskar, IAS (Retd.) Chairperson, IIPA-KRB
Vote of Thanks	Dr. K.C Smitha, Assistant Professor, CPIGD, ISEC, Bengaluru

High Tea (11.00 AM to 11.30 AM)

Panel Discussion #1: On "Sustainability from different perspectives" Time: 11.30 AM to 1.00 PM	Chairperson: Prof. Jeevan Kumar, IIPA, KRB
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Panelists : **Prof. D. Rajasekhar,** Director, ISEC On "Rural
Sustainability"

Prof. Krishna Raj, CESP, ISEC, On "Urban
Sustainability"

Dr. Siddhartha Krishnan, ATREE Bangalore, On
"Environmental Sustainability"

Lunch Break (1 PM to 2 PM)

TECHNICAL SESSIONS ON DAY 1 – 5TH JUNE 2024

Chairperson: **Dr. Pranab Patar,** Assam Science Society (New Delhi & NCR), New Delhi

Environmental Sustainability Parallel Session I 2 PM to 3.30 PM

Rapporteur: Namitha Joseph

1. Agricultural Sustainability in India:
Balancing Energy, Emission, and Policy
Ms. Juhi Singh, Research Scholar, Department of
Economics, ICFAI School of Social Sciences, IBS
Campus, Hyderabad.
Dr. Sushanta Kumar Mahapatra, Associate Professor,
Department of Economics, ICFAI School of Social
Sciences, IBS Campus, The ICFAI Foundation
for Higher Education (IFHE) Deemed University,
Hyderabad
2. Assessing the Journey towards Sendai Framework
Goals: Insights from Lower Middle-Income Countries
Ms. Abina V.P, Ph.D. Scholar, Centre for Economic
Studies and Policy, Institute for Social and Economic
Change (ISEC), Bengaluru.
3. Assessment of scale of threats to blue carbon
ecosystems to achieve the goals of SDG 14
Ms. Aditi Ghosh, Junior Research Fellow, MoES
project, Department of Public Policy, MAHE
Dr. Harini Santhanam, Associate Professor and Head
Department of Public Policy, MAHE Bengaluru campus
4. Breaking Barriers: Empowering Women for Sustainable
Development
Dr. Manjula Mallya M, Post-Doctoral Research Fellow,
Institute of Commerce and Management, Srinivas
University, Mangalore.
5. A Gandhian Manifesto for Sustainable Development
Dr. D. Jeevan Kumar, Hon. Professor at KSRDPR
University, Gadag

**Chairperson: Dr. Dhanasree Jayaram,
Department of Geopolitics and
International Relations, MAHE Manipal**

Afternoon Parallel Session II

2 PM – 3.30 PM

Rapporteur: Deona

1. Climate change and Societal Impact: A study of the Environmental Landscape of Guwahati, Assam
Ms. Darathi Kalita, Research Scholar, Department of Sociology, University of Madra
2. Community-based Payments for Ecosystem Services: Fostering Agency and Resilience for Sustainable Development.
Ms. Mahashweta Mahiyaria, Tata Institute of Social Sciences
Mr. Naveen Isarapu, Foundation for Ecological Security
Mr. Subrata Singh, Foundation for Ecological Security
3. Determinants of Household Water Efficient Technology Adoption and its Implication for Demand Side Management Policies
Mr. S. Ashwin Ram, Assistant Professor, RV University
Prof. Zareena Begum Irfan, Professor, Madras School of Economics
4. Does participation in non-farm activities contribute to farm production-based environmental pollution? Insights from Semi-arid and Eastern regions of India
Dr. Anviksha Drall, Assistant Professor Economics, TAPMI, MAHE, Manipal, Karnataka
Dr. Sabuj K Mandal, Associate Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras, Chennai

Coffee Break - 3.30 PM to 4 PM

**Chairperson: Dr. Vivek Pandi, Manipal
Centre for Natural Sciences, MAHE Manipal**

Parallel Session I 4 PM to 5.30 PM

Rapporteur: Roshan

1. Climate Change and Sustainability: Understanding India's Coastal States
Ms. Geethu Paul, Ph.D. Scholar, Centre for Economic Studies and Policy (CESP), Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bangalore
Ms. Abina V.P., Ph.D. Scholar, Centre for Economic Studies and Policy (CESP), Institute for Social and Economic Change
2. The Role of National Programme for Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases in India
Ms. Uma Giddappa, Population Research Centre, ISEC, Bengaluru
3. Role of Gram Panchayat in the Empowerment of Santal Tribal Women: An Empirical Study from West Bengal
Ms. Ananya Acherjee, Research Scholar, IGNTU, Amarkantak, M.P
4. Role of glaciers in preserving the sustainability of high-altitude ecosystems of Himalayas: A case study in the Baspa basin, Kinnaur district, HP
Ms. Arya A R, PhD scholar, DPP MAHE Bengaluru
Dr Harini Santhanam, Associate Professor and Head, DPP, MAHE, Bengaluru
Prof. Anil Kulkarni, Distinguished Scientist, Divecha Centre for Climate Change, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru

Chairperson: Dr. Deepta Sateesh, Shrishti Manipal Institute of Arts, Design and Technology, MAHE Bengaluru

Parallel Session II 4 PM to 5.30 PM

Rapporteur: Thirupathi

1. Relationship between Industry and Environment in Indian Manufacturing Industries: An Interlinkage through Sustainable Development Goals
Ms. Tiyasa Mishra, IIT, Kharagpur
2. ESG and the carbon market maze: A recipe for greenwashing
Mr. Soomrit Chattopadhyay, Centre for Sustainable Development Gokhale Institute Pune
Mr. Utkarsh Singh, ESG and Sustainability
Mr. Iqbal Shaikh, Intern at CSD, GIPE Pune
3. ESG Investments and Scoring of Corporates: Is it Real Investment or Window-Dressed
Dr. Vishweswar Sastry V N, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, MAHE, Bengaluru
Dr. Guruprasad Desai D R, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, MAHE, Bengaluru
Prof. Santosh B R, Head, Department of Commerce, MAHE, Bengaluru
4. Development induced Rehabilitation of Slums in Bengaluru: Tracing Gender Sensitivity and Agency
Dr. K C Smitha, Assistant Professor, CPIGD, ISEC

World Environment Day Celebrations - 5.30 – 6.45 PM

A campus walk @ MAHE Bengaluru and taking the
'Sustainiti Oath'

ORGANISED BY: Rewilding Team of MAHE Bengaluru

Dinner 7-8 PM @ MAHE, BLR

Technical Sessions Day 2 – June 6th 2024

Chairperson: Dr. R. Manjula, Centre for Decentralization and Development (CDD), ISEC, Bengaluru

Parallel Session - I

10 AM – 11.30 AM

Rapporteur: Mehul Kumar

1. Towards Industrial Modernity or Ecological Post-Modernity: Quo Vadis India?
Dr. V. Anil Kumar, Professor and HoD, ISEC, Bengaluru
2. The Politics of Sustainable Development/Goals
Dr. Prashant Kumar Choudhary, Assistant Professor, MAHE
Mr. Alok Aditya, Research Scholar, ISEC, Bengaluru
3. The Role of Railways in Mitigating Climate Change: A Study of India's Railway Electrification Program
Mr. Chitresh Shrivastva, Adjunct Faculty, CHRIST (Deemed to be University)
4. IBSA Trust Fund and Sustainable Development in the South
Dr. Shraddha Naik, Assistant Professor, Political Science Programme, D.D. Kosambi School of Social Science and Behaviourals Studies, Goa University

Chairperson: Dr. Vilas Jadhav, Agricultural Development and Rural Transformation Centre (ADRTC), ISEC

Parallel Session II

10 AM to 11.30 AM

Rapporteur: Deepanwita Jena

1. A Gendered Malady: An Account of Women Sanitary Workers at Katwa
Mr. Abdul Sakil, Ph. D. Scholar, Bankura University.

2. An empirical study documenting experiences of women living in slums and ensuring sustainable food security for their households during COVID-19 lockdowns in Gujarat
Ms. Shabnam, PhD student, Dept of Social Work, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi
3. Artificial Intelligence and Sustainable Development: A Communication Rights Perspective
Rev. Dr Sandeep Theophil, Assistant Professor, Karnataka Theological College
4. Environmental Justice in India: Fostering Inclusivity in Climate Change Policies Through Community Based Adaptation
Mr. Jefin Jerry - Student, St. Xavier's College, Mumbai
Mr. Anuvinda Namboodiri - Student, St. Xavier's College, Mumbai
5. The 'End' of Manual Scavenging in India: Its Institutional Forms and Practices
Dr. Sudeep Basu, Assistant Professor, Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar

Coffee Break 11.30 AM to 12 PM

Chairperson: Dr. V. Karthick, Centre for Economic Studies and Policy, ISEC

Parallel Session I 12 PM to 1.30 PM

Rapporteur: Satyaki Mukherjee

1. Beyond Pedagogy: Assessing the Impact of the SLATE Project on Government School Students
Ms. Maria Anto Padinjarekara, College: St.Teresa's College, Ernakulam
2. Digital Financial Inclusion (DFI): A Smart Way for Rapid & Sustainable Economic Development for Rural India
Dr. Ajit Kumar, NRP (FI), NRLMRC, NIRD&PR, Hyderabad

3. Land Acquisition: A Legal Labyrinth to India's solar energy transition - The Case of Andhra Pradesh.
Ms. Mahi Chandana Kuruba - Masters student in Public Policy at NLSIU
4. Precautionary Principle and Sustainable Development in India: A Review
Mr. Pavan V, Assistant Professor of Law, Manipal Law School, MAHE.
Dr. Guruprasad Desai D.R, Assistant Professor, MAHE, Bengaluru
Dr. C.G. Manjunatha, Associate Professor of Law, MAHE Bengaluru
5. Upcycled Food: Shifting Perceptions of Waste
Riddhi Bairagi, MAHE, Bengaluru

Chairperson: Dr. Akshata Nayak, Agricultural Development and Rural Transformation Centre (ADRTC), ISEC

Parallel Session II

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Rapporteur: Jayashree

1. Sustainable packaging startups – assessing their profile
Ms. Amrin Fakh, Research Scholar, ISEC, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru
2. Navigating challenges faced by women while commuting in an urban city: Sentiment Analysis Approach
Dr. Meghna Verma, Ramaiah Institute of Management
3. An inclusive Study on Various Sustainability Challenges Faced by the Traditional Farmers in Kannur District, Kerala
Dr P P Sajimon, Post Doctoral Fellow, St Aloysius University Mangalore.
Dr. V B Hans, Research Professor & Mentor, Srinivas University Mangalore
4. Balancing Growth and Green: Harnessing Carbon Tax for Sustainable Economic Development in India

Mr. Alan Seemon - Consultant Economic Policy EY
Ms. Asha Mary Reji - Academic Associate, Centre for Public Policy IIM-B

5. Financial Inclusion, Gender and Inclusive Development
Mr. Utkarsh Singh, ISEC
Prof. Meenakshi Rajeev, Professor of Economics at IIT Jammu and ISEC, Bangalore, India
Dr. Sabyasachi Tripathi, Associate Professor at Symbiosis Centre Pune, Maharashtra

Lunch Break 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM

Chairperson: Dr. K. C. Smitha, Centre for Political Institutions, Governance and Development, ISEC

**Parallel Session I
2.30 PM to 4 PM**

Rapporteur: Satyaki Mukherjee

1. How Sustainable are Kerala's Redistributive Public Expenditure Policies?
Ms. Megha Susan Philip, Research Scholar, ISEC Bangalore
Prof. K. Gayithri, Consultant, Fiscal Policy Institute, Bangalore
2. Unveiling the gender disparities in Indian agriculture: Assessing limited and extended perspectives of Feminization of agriculture
Mr. Munna Rabha, Research Scholar, School of Economics, University of Hyderabad
Mr. Kesava Kumar Gajula, Research Scholar, School of Economics, University of Hyderabad
3. Inequality of Quality of Wage Employment and Decent Work Deficit among the Marginalised Communities in India
Dr Reimeingam Marchang, Assistant Professor, Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bengaluru

4. Livelihoods of Baiga Tribe: An Anthropological Study from Central India
Dr. Kasi Eswarappa, Assistant Professor, Department of Tribal Studies, IGNTU, Amarkantak, M.P.
5. United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and Bridging the Artificial Intelligence Divide for a Less Unequal World
Dr. Shobhna Kunwar, Post Doctoral Researcher, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi

Chairperson: Dr. Indrajit Bairagya, Centre for Human Resources Development, ISEC

**Parallel Session II
2.30 PM to 4 PM**

Rapporteur: Jayashree

1. Regional Disparity in Health Deprivation: A Study for Major States of India
Dr. Priyabrata Sahoo, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Faculty of Social Science, Banaras Hindu University,
Mr. Soumyabrata Mondal, Research Scholar, Department of Geography, Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
Mr. Vinay Kumar, Research Scholar, Department of Economics, Faculty of Social Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
2. Strengthening the Green Ecosystem in Karnataka for a Green Economy: An Exploratory Study Assessing the Role of Green Skills, Employment and Entrepreneurship
Ms. Amrutha Girish, PhD Scholar, IIM, Bangalore
Dr Sahana Dinesh, Lecturer, Field Marshal K M Cariappa College, Madikeri
Mr Rubnawas N, Executive Manager, Karnataka Skill Development Authority, Government of Karnataka
3. Sustainable Development and Goal 11: Sustainable

Cities and Communities

Ms. Sumithra R, Research Associateship, Fiscal Policy Institute, Kengeri, Bengaluru, Karnataka.

4. The Inequality-Growth Nexus: Exploring the Links Between Economic Disparity and Shared Prosperity
Mr. Aman Kashyap, MA Public Policy & Governance

Coffee Break 4-4.30 PM

Valedictory Session 4.30 PM to 6.35 PM

Chairperson: Shri. T.M. Vijay Bhaskar

Panel Discussion #2 (4.30 – 6.00 PM): *Interlinking data and communication in public policymaking for sustainable development*

Panelists:

Dr. Indu K. Murthy, CSTEP Bangalore

Dr. Annapoorna Ravichander, Visiting Professor, DPP

Dr. K.V. Gururaja, Associate Professor, SMI, MAHE-BLR

Discussant:

Dr. K. Thomas Felix, Assistant Professor, ISEC, Bangalore

Valedictory Address (6.00 – 6.30 PM):

Dr. A. Ravindra, IAS (Retd.), Chairman, Centre for Sustainable Development, Bengaluru, Karnataka

Vote of thanks (6.30 to 6.35 PM) : **Dr. Harini Santhanam**, Head, DPP, MAHE BLR