



# **Kerala Sociological Society**

46<sup>th</sup> National Conference

Theme:

**Environment and Sustainability:  
Contestations and Confrontations.**



Dates: **2019 November 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>**

Venue

**CMS College, Kottayam**

## Conference Theme:

Subjugation of the Nature for the sake of development is one of the social phenomena of recent times. The rise in anthropogenic activities consistent with the burgeoning population has resulted in the wanton degradation of environmental resources. The rapid development in science and technology along with the unbridled exploitation of natural resources has created various environmental sustainability problems in our planet. A restructuring of our paradigm of development is imminent in a situation where large colonising of ecology by vested interest is happening widely in this world. A Sociological deliberation on this environmental and sustainability will reveal the deep seated issues regarding the nature of sustainable practices in our social life.

Sub-Themes: The discourses and deliberations on the theme are structured on the following sub-themes:

- 1.Modernization and cultural change-An Indian Perspective
- 2.Health, Culture and Society
- 3.Human Behavioural approach to Green development
- 4.Gender roles towards sustainable environment
- 5.Traditional approaches for environmental conservation
- 6.Urban dynamics and sustainable development.
- 7.Youth and sustainable development

There will be a panel session on the theme with special reference to Kerala. In addition, two special sessions will be organized: 1) for teachers and research scholars and 2) for student community, separately on topics that are related to the theme, but significant to the respective groups.





## **Kottayam**

Located in the central province of Kerala, Kottayam has earned a unique position in the socio cultural landscape of the state in the area of literature and print media. The first printing press in India was established by Rev. Benjamin Bailey, also the first principal of CMS College, who published the first journal “Treasury of Knowledge”. The milestone of 100% literacy in the cultural history of Kerala was achieved by Kottayam which make Kottayam city “Akshara Nagari” meaning the ‘city of letters’. Kottayam is also known as city of lakes and latex.

### **CMS College & Post Graduate Department of Sociology:**

The College Cotym, which later on came to be known as CMS College, was established in 1817 by the Church Missionary Society of England. It is the oldest higher education institution in South India. CMS College has entered the third century of its academic and cultural journey. In 1999, the College was accorded the Five Star status by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council of India. In 2013, the college celebrated the 100th year of women’s entry into higher education. In 2014 the college was reaccredited by NAAC, with ‘A’ Grade and being the beacon of knowledge in the land of Kerala, the UGC granted ‘Heritage Status’ to the college in 2016. In 2016 the college was conferred with autonomous status by the University Grants Commission. The institution is now under the management of the Diocese of Madhya Kerala of the Church of South India.

The Post Graduate Department of Sociology, CMS College having crossed the 50 year landmark in the domain of higher education is on the surge of new heights. From its inception the department has focused on the task of imparting quality education, in tune with liberative mission of the college. The department is also a recognized research Centre of the MG University, Kottayam.

### **ORGANIZING TEAM**

President

**Dr. Sobha B Nair**

Secretary

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## Paper Presentation:

Those interested in presenting papers in the academic sessions have to mail in their abstracts to the email: [keralasociologicalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:keralasociologicalsociety@gmail.com) before September 30th 2019. The abstracts shall be sent adhering strictly to the following specifications: 200 words, font- Times New Roman, 12 pt., 1.5 spaces, providing the name, designation, institutional affiliation and address, Life Membership Number, email and mobile number of the presenter. A Committee will scrutinize the abstracts and only the selected abstracts will be accepted for presentation.

The criteria for scrutiny are:

- 1) Relevance of the paper to the theme
- 2) Methodological application and
- 3) Theoretical and Conceptual clarity

The selected papers will be informed by 10th October 2019 and the full paper will have to be turned in by November 5th. Only those who have submitted the full paper on time shall present their papers in the Conference.

Life membership in KSS, particularly for teachers, permanent or temporary, and research scholars is essential for paper presentation. Life membership Number has to be furnished along with the abstract. Nonetheless, a person whose paper has been selected for presentation, but do not possess a Life Membership, need to have a minimum of one-year ordinary membership. Ordinary membership can be obtained at the conference registration desk by remitting Rs. 500/-, prior to the paper presentation.

### Registration Fee

No.	Category of participants	In rupees
1.	Senior delegates & Teachers	1500
2.	Research scholars with UGC Scholarship	1000
3.	Guest Lecturers and research scholars	750
4.	Students	350

### Kerala Sociological Society

Kerala Sociological Society (KSS) is the organization of Sociologists from all over the world, formed in 1971 to promote teaching and research in Sociology and to raise the status of the profession. Over the years, the Society has organized many conferences and several academic programmes on issues of regional and national importance. It has been publishing a bi-annual 'Kerala Sociologist' which is in the 35th year of its uninterrupted publication.

