

# **International Conference on Gandhiji, Gram Swaraj and Democratic Decentralisation**

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## **Conference Guide**



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*Dear Delegates,*

*It is our privilege to welcome you to god's own country, to the city of Thrissur and to KILA.*

*The International Conference on "Gandhiji, Gram Swaraj and Democratic Decentralisation" is organised by Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA) with the support of the Government of Kerala.*

*We have papers contributed by academicians from 12 countries, and 26 indian states.*

*The objective of the conference is to share the experiences in Gandhiji's Gram Swaraj and Democratic Decentralisation so as to formulate a strategy for further strengthening of local governments. The outside state participants can see decentralization from two angles. The one is to foster and promote self-determination, self-reliance and people's participation and the other is to enhance efficiency in service delivery.*

*This conference guide serves as a one-stop point for all informations related to the conference. Detailed schedule for the three days and contact details of key personnel responsible for various arrangements have been included. The back ground note to the conference is also part of this guide.*

*We have prepared three materials – Conference Guide, Anthology of Abstracts and Field Visit Guide. On the second day we have arranged field visit. The delegates will get a first hand idea of how the local governments function and support in the development process. Seven nearby panchayats in Thrissur district are chosen for the visit. Details of the field visit arrangements will be communicated separately.*

*The technical subjects are divided into 14. 200 delegates will present papers in eight parallel venues on 29<sup>th</sup> November. Apart from this, we have key note address and panel discussions by eminent persons in the field of Democratic Decentralisation.*

*We have also arranged cultural programmes on 27<sup>th</sup>. An exhibition of best practices by eight local governments of the state is arranged.*

*Wishing you a pleasant stay in Kerala and hoping that you will find the deliberations at the conference fruitful for each delegate.*

*Dr P P Balan  
Director, KILA*



## 1. About kerala

**Kerala**, also known as **Keralam** is a state located in the south-west region of India on the Malabar coast. It was formed on 1<sup>st</sup> November 1956 as per the states reorganisation act by combining various malayalam-speaking regions. Spread over 38,863 km<sup>2</sup>(15,005 sq mi) with a population of 3.33 crore (33.3 million), it is bordered by karnataka to the north and north-east, tamil nadu to the east and south, and the arabian sea to the west. Thiruvananthapuram is the state capital among the 14 districts; other major cities include Kollam, Kochi, Thrissur and Kozhikode.

Referred to as '*the god's own country*', one of the 50 "must see" destinations identified by the national geographic traveller. Endowed with unique geographical features, having an equable climate, temperature varying between 17<sup>o</sup>c to 34<sup>o</sup>c round the year, serene beaches, tranquil stretches of emerald backwaters, lush hill stations and exotic wildlife, waterfalls, sprawling plantations and paddy fields, it has enchanting art forms and historic and cultural monuments, and festivals.

Kerala has a wet and maritime tropical climate influenced by the seasonal heavy rains of the southwest summer monsoon and northeast winter monsoon. Around 65% of the rainfall occurs from june to august corresponding to the southwest monsoon, and the rest from september to december corresponding to northeast monsoon.

Kerala hosts two major political alliances: the United Democratic Front (India) (UDF); led by the Indian National Congress and the Left Democratic Front (Kerala) (LDF); led by the Communist Party of India (Marxist) (CPI(M)).

At present, the UDF is the ruling coalition in Government; Mr Oommen Chandy of the Indian National Congress is the Chief Minister while Mr. V.s. Achuthanandan of the LDF is the Leader of Opposition.

With the enactment of Kerala Panchayati Raj Act and Kerala Municipality Act in the year 1994, the state implemented various reforms in the local self-governance. Kerala Panchayati Raj Act envisages a 3-tier system of local-government with Grama Panchayat, Block Panchayat and District Panchayat forming a hierarchy.

In comparison with the rest of India, Kerala experiences relatively little sectarianism. According to 2011 census of india figures, 56.2% of kerala's residents are Hindus, 24.7% are Muslims, 19% are Christians, and the remaining 1.1% follows other religions.

Referred as the "spice garden of india", the region has been a prominent spice exporter from ancient times. The major spices are pepper, cardamom, ginger, nutmeg, clove, star alise, and cinnamon. The state also has cultivation of cashew, bananas, rubber, cardamoms, coconuts, cashews, and ginger.

## **2. Background note**

Democratic decentralisation and people's participation is increasingly becoming a subject of discussion considering its importance in social development. Democracy will be more meaningful when it becomes closer to the people. Strengthening of local governments, by means of devolving functions, functionaries and finance is found to be one of the effective ways of decentralisation. And such experiments are being made all over the world. The key to the success of decentralisation lies in the level of people's participation. In turn, the effective participation of people depends on the capacity building for equipping people to participate in local level planning, monitoring and implementation. Models are being emerged based on learning-by-doing. Kerala, the southernmost state in india, has successfully experimented democratic decentralisation and people's participation in local level planning.

### **Objectives**

The objective of the conference is to share the experiences in democratic decentralisation and participatory planning so as to formulate a strategy for further strengthening of local governments.



## Technical subjects

The following are the subjects for the conference.

1. Suraj
2. Climate change
3. Poverty alleviation
4. Fiscal decentralisation
5. Community Governance
6. Gram Swaraj
7. Women and Child Development
8. Waste management
9. Service delivery
10. MGNREGS
11. Local economic development
12. Sanitation and Health
13. Political Representation
14. Presentation by local governments

### 3. Field Visit and Best Practices

Technical subjects will have sharing of best practices by grama panchayats in varied and different areas in democratic decentralisation. To add to this we have also arranged field visits to seven gram panchayats in Thrissur district, which are closer to KILA. The participants will be able to have a better understanding of the system totally. The delegates will be divided into seven groups. An exhibition of best practices by 8 Local Governments also has been arranged at the KILA campus.

We have prepared a brief field visit guide with the aim to give the participants a first-hand understanding on the real functioning of local self governments in kerala. Through observation and interaction, the delegates will get an idea about the system. The field visit guide contains reports of the selected seven panchayats. Reading all the seven reports shall give an idea of the functioning. The guide also provides an introduction in general about the decentralisation system in kerala.

The following are the panchayats we will be visiting.

Avanoor Grama Panchayat	-	Team Leader : Dr.V. Kumaran
Cherpu Grama Panchayat	-	Team Leader : Mr. Joshi P.B
Elavally Grama Panchayat	-	Team Leader : Ms. Tannie Thomas
Padiyur Grama Panchayat	-	Team Leader : Mr. K. Gopalakrishnan
Poomangalam Grama Panchayat-		Team Leader: Mr. M.G. Kalidasan
Kondazhy Grama Panchayat	-	Team Leader: Mr. P. V. Ramakrishnan
Vallachira Grama Panchayat	-	Team Leader: Prof. P. Lakshmanan

### Objectives

- To gain a first-hand understanding of the functioning of the grama panchayats in kerala
- To understand how the participatory planning is managed, developmental issues are addressed and funds are utilized to fulfill the functions delegated through functionaries
- To see the functional linkage and effectiveness of panchayats with various public service institutions assigned to local bodies.
- To understand the good and viable practices demonstrated by local governments for effective services.
- To understand the framework and fraternity involved in local planning.

### Activity

On reaching the Panchayat Office, an informal meeting will be held with the Panchayat Committee. After welcome and introduction, the delegates will get time to discuss with the president, other elected members and functionaries. This being an interactive subject, the delegates can ask questions to them about the democratic participatory planning process. The delegates can visit panchayat office and field activities depending on the time and observe the situation. Keep in mind that many of service centres like anganwady, school and public health centre will be closed after 3.30 pm.

Language will not be a barrier. Malayalam is the local language. English is understood by all. The team leader and facilitators from KILA will help in translating to English wherever necessary.

Each group has to select a person to write the report on the observations, experiences, discussions and learnings. He/she has to present the feedback of the group on 29.11.14 at 09.00 am. We request the team to select a non Keralite person to do the reporting.

#### **4. The organisers**

##### **Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA)**

Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA), an autonomous institution under the Ministry of Local Self- Government Department, Government of Kerala, is the nodal agency for training, research and consultancy for Local Self-Government Institutions in Kerala. The institute began its operation in 1990. Apart from training, consultancy and policy oriented research activities, KILA organizes seminars, workshops and discussions on various issues of local governance and development. The Government of Kerala has recognised it as a centre of excellence. The Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India has declared KILA as the SAARC centre of training in decentralization and local governance. KILA has provided a lead role in the capacity building and training of democratic decentralization in Kerala and now it is engaged in institutionalizing the process of decentralization and to make the local government system sustainable.

The institute disseminates the insights of research and recommendations of its various training programmes and workshops through a number of publications. In order to meet the training needs of the participants from other indian states and neighbouring countries Kila has translated several documents in english and other Indian Languages like Hindi, Tamil, Bengali and Kannada.

KILA actively collaborates with many national and international agencies like Swiss Agency for Development and Co-operation (SDC), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), UN-HABITAT, and Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) with a motive of deepening local governance. KILA collaborates with the Sri Lanka Institute of Local Governance and All India Institute of Local Self Governments, Mumbai to conduct international course in decentralised governance and poverty alleviation. KILA will be elevated to the status of university in the near future.

Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA) is near the Cochin International Airport (one and a half hours by road from KILA) which is having connectivity to the major international airports. The nearest railway station is Thrissur which is ten km. Away from Institute.

## 5. Programme Schedule

Day 1 THURSDAY 27-11-14	
TIME	SESSIONS
9.30 am	<b>REGISTRATION</b>
10.15	<p><b>INAUGURAL SESSION</b></p> <p>Welcome <b>Dr. P.P. Balan</b> Director, KILA</p> <p>Introductory Remarks <b>Shri. James Varghese</b> Principal Secretary, LSGD, Govt. of Kerala</p> <p>Presidential Address <b>Shri. C.N. Balakrishnan</b> Hon. Minister for Co-operation, Khadi and Village Industries</p> <p>Inauguration of International Conference <b>Dr. M.K. Muneer</b> Hon. Minister for Panchayats and Social Justice</p> <p>Inauguration of Gandhi Art Gallery, Release of Book &amp; Presentation of Memento to Artist Eby N. Joseph <b>Padma Bhushan Ela Gandhi</b> Grand Daughter of Mahatma Gandhi (Former MP of South Africa)</p> <p>Inauguration of Silver Jubilee Celebrations of KILA <b>Shri. Mani Shankar Aiyar</b> MP (Former Union Minister for Panchayati Raj, Govt. of India)</p> <p>Chief Guest <b>Shri. V. Kalyanam</b> Former Private Secretary to Mahatma Gandhi</p> <p>Keynote Address <b>Dr. T.M. Thomas Isaac</b> MLA and Former Finance Minister, Govt. of Kerala</p> <p>Inauguration of best practices pavilion <b>Adv. Therambil Ramakrishnan</b> MLA and Former Speaker of Kerala Legislative Assembly</p>

	<p>Release of Publications  <b>Dr. G. Gopakumar</b>  Vice Chancellor, Central University of Kerala</p> <p>Received by  <b>Smt. Suhara Mampad</b>  Secretary, Kerala District Panchayats Chamber</p> <p><b>Adv. M. Manikandan</b>  President, Kerala Block Panchayats Association</p> <p><b>Shri. P.T. Mathew</b>  President, Kerala Grama Panchayats Association</p> <p>Felicitation  <b>Shri. S. Divakaran Pillai</b>  State Performance Audit Officer</p> <p>Vote of Thanks  <b>Dr. Sunny George</b>  Associate Professor, KILA</p>
<b>Time</b>	<b>Session II- Theme Presentation</b>
<b>12.00-13.00</b>	<p><b>SWARAJ FOR SURAJ (Good Governance)</b></p> <p>Chair  <b>Shri. Kutty Ahmed Kutty</b>  Commission on decentralisation, Local Self Government Department</p> <p>Presentation  <b>Shri. S.M. Vijayanand, IAS</b>  Special Grade Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India</p> <p>Discussion</p>
<b>13:00-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>

Time	Session: III Panel Discussion:
14.00-16.00	<p><b>COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE</b>  <b>Sevagram Gramakendra: Kerala's New Initiative Presentation by KILA Team</b></p> <p>Introduction  <b>Dr. Rajan Khobragade IAS</b>  Secretary, LSGD, Govt. of Kerala</p> <p>Chair  <b>Shri. Mani Shankar Aiyar</b></p> <p>Panelists  <b>Smt. Sarada Muraleedharan IAS</b>  Joint Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Govt. of India</p> <p>Dr. M. N. Roy  Dr. M.P. Parameswaran  Dr. Jos Chathukulam  Director, CRM, Kottayam  A. Gopala Aiyar</p>
	<b>Session: IV Panel Discussion:</b>
16.00-18.00	<p><b>TRENDS IN DECENTRALISATION</b></p> <p>Introduction  <b>Shri. T. R. Reghunandan</b></p> <p>Chair  <b>Dr. George Mathew</b>  Director, ISS, New Delhi</p> <p>Panelists  <b>Smt. Reshmi Sukla Sharma IAS</b>  Additional Secretary Ministry of Panchayat Raj</p> <p>Dr. G. Palanithurai  Shri. S.S. Meenakshi Sundaram  Prof. K.A. Sarala  Dr. S.K. Singh  Dr. T.P. Kunhikannan</p>
19:00-20:00	<p><b>Cultural Programme, Folklore Academy, Govt. of Kerala</b>  <b>Dinner</b></p>

Day 2		Friday 28-11-2014	
Time	Session: V	Venue	
9.30-10.45	<b>COLLOQUIUM OF GANDHIAN SOCIAL WORKERS ON GRAM SWARAJ</b> Patriotic Songs <b>MBS Youth Choir, Thiruvananthapuram</b>  Welcome <b>Dr. J.B. Rajan</b> Assistant Professor, KILA  Inauguration <b>Shri. K.C. Joseph</b> Hon. Minister for Rural Development, Planning, Culture, NORKA and Information and Public Relations  Chair <b>Smt. Ela Gandhi</b>  Chief Guest <b>Shri. V. Kalyanam</b>  Keynote Address <b>Shri. P.V. Rajagopal</b>  Special Address <b>Shri. Rajendra Singh</b> Waterman of India- Magsaysay Award Winner  Discussion  Vote of Thanks		
10.45-11.00	<b>Tea Break</b>		
	<b>Session: VI</b>		
11.00-13.00	<b>GRAM SWARAJ: A Long Cherished Dream</b> Chair <b>Dr. William Baskaran</b>  Panelists Shri. Ajith Venniyur Shri. M. Abdu Rehiman Shri. G. Placid Dr. Abey George		

13:00-14:00	Lunch Break
14:00-17:30	FIELD VISIT
17:30-18:00	Dinner
Day 3	Saturday 29-11-2014
Time	TECHNICAL SESSIONS
9.30-11.00	Parellel Sessions
11.00-11.15	Tea Break
	TECHNICAL SESSIONS
11.15-12.45	Parellel Sessions
12.40-13.30	Lunch Break
	TECHNICAL SESSIONS
13.45-15.15	Parellel Sessions
	CONCLUDING SESSIONS
15.15-17.15	<p><b>GRAM SWARAJ: The Way Forward</b></p> <p>Welcome <b>Dr. Peter M. Raj</b> Associate Professor KILA</p> <p>Chair <b>Shri. P.K. Biju</b> Member of Parliament</p> <p>Presentation (KILA)</p> <p>Chief Guest <b>Shri. Manjalamkuzhy Ali</b> Hon. Minister for Urban Affairs and Minority Welfare</p> <p>Valedictory Address <b>Dr. N. Radhakrishnan</b> Chairman, Indian Council of Gandhian Studies</p> <p>Felicitations <b>Shri. Jamal Manakkadan</b> Chairman, Chamber of Municipal Chairmen</p>



	<p><b>Shri. Soopi Narikkatteri</b> Secretary, Kerala Grama Panchayat Association</p> <p><b>Shri. A. Sayyed</b> Director of Panchayats</p> <p><b>Shri. C.M. Sherief</b> Private Secretary to Minister for Panchayats and Social Justice</p> <p>Vote of Thanks</p> <p><b>Prof. P. Lakshmanan</b></p>
17:30-18:00	Evening Tea
20:00-21:00	Dinner

## 6 Technical Session in Details

**Co-ordinator - Prof T. Raghavan (9446064137)**

**Session 1 - 09.30 am to 11.00 am**

**Subject 1: Suraj**

Grama Swaraj Hall

Chair	Dr. P.P. Pillai - 9745301974
Co-chair	Krishna Chandra Pradhan
Rapporteur	Imthiyas Ali. V
Paper Presentations	
Deepa Puzhakkal & Devadas V	Good governance in Calicut District, Kerala: An analysis of e-governance for good governance
Patel Nirav. H	Gandhi education and Suraj (good governance)
Dipti Paridhi Kindo	Post-independence good governance in India: A case study of women in PRIS in Jharkhand
Pralhad N. Kamble	Decentralized local governance in India: some excluded factors and inclusive policy
Raghupathy V	Gandhian
Rajbir Parashar	Representation of gandhi in postmodernism age : a cultural perspective
Sabu Thomas	Good governance in decentralisation: understanding suraj in times of neoliberalism
Soham Shiva	Re-imagining Swaraj: An essay on counter-subversive politics
Vijender Singh Beniwal	Good governance through ict: Opportunities and issues
Sameera Pulikkal	Good governance of pris: experiences from give Grama Panchayats in Kerala
Keppey Yadagiri	Gandhian view on the way of swaraj for inclusion in the state of administration
Beniwal V.S.	Good Governance through ICT : opportunities and issues
Patil Shivaji Subrao	Gandhian Jurisprudence
Mohanakumar V.K.	Towards more inclusive growth among the scheduled tribes of Kerala
Supriya David	Capacity Development for Good Governance in India: The Gandhian Perspective

**Subject 2: Climate Change**

Gramodaya Hall

Chair	Dr. C.M.Joy
Co-chair	Kothavale Shradha Vinod
Reporteur	Riyas Mon T
Paper Presentations	
Ravneet Kaur	Renewable Energy Development in Punjab: An assessment of government schemes
Asmitha Bhattacharya	Corporate responsibility for green practices: a case with Indian it sector
Catherine Casey	Governance and the responsible corporation: the uses of corporate social responsibility (csr)
Muralidhar A. Lokhande	Climate change: A big challenge
Alexander R	Climate change education for school students-a mixed methods approach in Puduchery and Villupram Districts
Puthem Jugeshor Singh	Indigenous institution and environmental protection; Manipur
Moumita Laha	Exploring scope of MGNREGS to promote climate change mitigation and adaptation in India
Rajendran R.	Climate change, emerging ground water market and challenges of small and marginal farmers: some observations from Tamil Nadu, India
Remmiya Rajan P	Climate Change - causes and its impact
Udyama C.R.	Climate Change in Kochi city
Remmiya Rajan p.	Climate Change : causes and its impact
Sahana Bose	Climate change adaptation through community participation in Indian sunderbans

### Subject 3: Poverty Alleviation

Grama Sabha Hall

Chair	Dr. Harjith Anand
Co-chair	Venu Madhav M.
Rapporteur	Dr. S. Vinod
Paper Presentations	
Aleena Thomas	The question of malnutrition and poverty among attappady tribal folk: Role of local self government to address the challenge
Ghanshyam Kumar Pandey	The impact of socioeconomic, demographic and others variables on poverty: an analysis of village study of Bihar
Iorfa Anonguku	Assessment of poverty alleviation programmes in benue state Nigeria: Implications for rural development
Manoj Kumar Teotia	Housing to the poor in Srinagar: Emerging issues and alternatives
Murugananthan	Poverty eradication study of central government policy, plans and programmes
Rajendra Baikady	Global Poverty Reduction – a social work response
Sanjay Bharatiya	The role of education in reductionof poverty and development
Umesh O.	Poverty eradication through women empowerment: localised governance and its paradoxes
Shilpi Syal	Poverty and access to basic services in Mumbai
Smrithilal	Decentralisation and question of Tribal Development: an empirical analysis of Idukki District of Kerala state

**Subject 4 : Fiscal Decentralisation**

Nattukoottam Hall

Chair	Dr. Jose Sebastian
Co-chair	Dr. Dhruva B Jyothi
Rapporteur	Aparna. V
Paper Presentations	
Damodar Tripathy	Does fiscal decentralisation result in faster local economic development?
Jawed Alam Khan	Fiscal decentralisation to PRIS: Some issues before 14 <sup>th</sup> Finance Commission
Nijara Deka	Determinants of human developmental expenditure in India
Nisha V Nair	Some observations on gender responsive budgeting in Gram Panchayats in Kerala
Harinam Singh	A study of state level ta reforms in Uttar Pradesh since 1991
Satish Pipralia	Municipal Financial Management in Jaipur City
Renu Krishnan G.	Fiscal decentralisation in Kerala: Participation and accountability of local self-governments
Devadas V	Municipal Financial Management in jaipur city

## Subject 5 : Community Governance

Ward Sabha Hall

Chair	Dr. P. Mohandas
Co-chair	Sibabratha Chandhni
Rapporteur	Geethanjali
Paper Presentations	
Asis Kumar Thakur & Sailendra Raj	Youth participation in gramasabha - issues, challenges and way forward: a study in context of Kalahandi, Odisha
Ann Tresa Roby P	Assessment on the implementation of Kerala Local Government Service Delivery Project(KLGSDP)in Grama Panchayats of Thrissur
Hasibul Rahaman	Treats of tribal cultural heritage: A case study of Kechopalri lake in Sikkim
Kunal Bandyopadhyay	Impact of people's participation in the participatory planning process in West Bengal
Lata Jayraj	Fiscal decentralisation to PRIS: some issues before 14 <sup>th</sup> Finance Commission
Valmiki Rama Krishna	Unique approach micro finance institutions for women empowerment: An assessment of self help group's
Pratichi Majumdar	State supported participatory development: A paradox or a new Hybrid
Rakesh S. Khwairakpam	Traditional governments among the SC communities: A study of phamneiba sekmai loi village, Manipur
Dhruva B Jyothi	Beda tribal community governance in Shantageri village of Gadag District in Karnataka – India.

**Subject 6 : Gram Swaraj**

Ashok Mehta Hall

Chair	Prof. B.K.Pattanaik
Co-chair	Ayangham Shyamkishor
Rapporteur	Aljo C. Cheriyan
Paper Presentations	
Ch.Barada Prasanna Das	Gram Swaraj, the concept, conflict, continuity and the model for tomorrow-a study on an Odisha village
Ivy Dhar	Decentralised governance and rethinking gandhian peace: women as change agents
Shiv Kumar Acharya	Deepening Democracy with Gram Swaraj thoughts: in context to birth of girl child as a basic women empowerment agenda
Mohamed Rafeek K.P.	Onus of pris in addressing the crises of environmental sanitation and public health
Ch. Rupachandra	Gram swaraj and India's north east revisiting democratic decentralisation with reference to Manipur
Sibtosh Bandyopadhyay	Gandhian democracy and problem and prospect of democratic decentralisation process in West Bengal
Rajeesh A.P.	Gandhian concept of grama swaraj and alternate dispute redressal mechanisms
Mohan Das K	The unfinished agenda of Gandhi's swaraj- present status in Karnataka
Kothavale Shraddha Vinod	The concept of swaraj by Dhirendra Majumdar
Gora Vikas	Gandhi, decentralization and gram swaraj

**Subject 7 : Women and Child Development**

Balwantrai Mehta Hall

Chair	Dr. Akila
Co-chair	Shijulas M
Rapporteur	Nelson
Paper Presentations	
Agnihotram Srinivasacharyulu	Women representation in politics: A study of panchayati raj institutions in India
Bharti Chhibber	Democratic decentralisation and empowerment of women through Panchayati Raj Institutions in India
Priyambada Hota	Representation of women in panchayati raj: A study on Balangir, Odisha
Jisu Ketan Pattanaik	Gender disparity in rural society: a sociological study in Puggu village Gumla, Jharkhand
K Balachandran	Representation of women in media, and its impact on women empowerment
Pradeep Kumar	Exploring women empowerment through entrepreneurship
Sainudeen A	Women empowerment and rural development: role of micro finance in Kudumbashree in Kerala
Prashant Kumar	Emancipation of Indian women: A Gandhian approach to analyse ontological construction of biased identity
Waghmare Shyam Sunder	Gandhian thought on women development
Ruby Ojha	Empowerment of women through participation in Local Government



**Subject 8 : Waste Management**

Nagarodaya Hall

Chair	Dr. Sajeev K
Co-chair	Chongtham Laxmi Devi
Rapporteur	Madhu Narayanan
Paper Presentations	
Shaik Abdul Kalam Riyaz & Naresh Pujari	Waste management issues and challenges
Akash Mishra	Governance and waste management: A study on Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) - a perfect balance of private and public partnership
Bishwodev Bhattarai	Finding wealth in waste: The changing role of informal sector in solid waste management
Amanjot Kaur	Waste management – Exploring a decentralised participatory approach with special reference to Chandigarh (Union territory)
Neepa Gandhi	A study of livelihood and educational status of sanitation workers in Ahmedabad, Gujarat
Preeti Kumari Jha	Zero waste management- A myth or reality
Saranya Saundrarajan	Practical solutions to solid waste management in Kerala
Shymalendu Chatterjee	E-waster: A new threat to solid waste management in West Bengal
Swaminathan A.M. & Medha Tapiawala	Challenges in innovative waste management: case studies in Mumbai
Salil srivastava	Solid waste management: A critical review of PPP model: Lucknow UP

**Technical session 2 - 11.15 am to 12.45pm**

**Subject 1: Service Delivery**

Grama Sabha Hall

Chair	Muraleedharan A Lokhande
Co-chair	Rajesh K
Rapporteur	Nelson
Paper Presentations	
Abhilash Babu	Neoliberalism, community participation and manufactured consent: The process of inclusion in Jananidhi Project, Kerala
Arjun Kumar	Disparities among poor - non-poor, caste and ethnic groups, religious groups and livelihood categories households
Hardeep Singh	Service delivery - performance measurement of basic civic services of municipal council Hoshiarpur, Punjab
Inderjeet Singh Sodhi	Public service delivery act in rajasthan—ensuring good governance for democratic decentralization
Kasturi Srinivasa Vijaya Sekhar	ICT - An effective tool for last-mile service delivery
Asish Mukhopadyay	State, housing and urban poor: India since independence
Sreekanth D	Improved e solution for uninterrupted and secured service delivery
Marina Joseph & mohan Chavan	Shrinking spaces - housing the urban poor in a global city
Ruchi Shree	Politics of water anti- coke struggle in Plachimada Palakkad, Kerala
Maggie Paul	The role of urban municipal bodies in facilitating participatory planning in social housing – a comparison of case studies across india
Binu Francis	Complaint free municipality - An innovative approach for service delivery to redress the grievance of the public at their residence

**Subject 2: MGNREGS**

Ward Sabha Hall

Chair	Dr. Mahipal
Co-chair	G. Krishnakumar
Rapporteur	C. Radhakrishnan
Paper Presentations	
Dilip Kumar Kundu	Poverty, inclusive democracy and MGNREGA
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Jitendra Ahirrao	MGNREGA: A sustainable rural poverty alleviation programme in india.
Rajiv Kumar Sinha	Agro-economic research centre for Bihar & Jharkhand
Sandip Tukaram Patil	An appraisal of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) in Ajara Block of Kolhapur District (Maharashtra)
Sanjay Lodha	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantees Scheme: An impact assessment study of Rajasthan
Sandeep Inampudi	Social audit: A tool for accountability a study of MGNREGS
Prasanna V. Salian & Gopakumar K.	Rural decentralisation through Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme: Issues and Challenges
Sandip Tukara Patil & Savitsmita Volasrao Chawan	An appraisal of mgnregs: Ajara block, Kolhapur, Maharashtra
Rajiv Kumar Sinha & Dipak Das, Dourav Kumar Akansha Shipra	Efforts of poverty alleviation & role of MNREGA : a case study from bihar
Shadab Hashmi	Decentralisation: An assessment of MGNREGS

### Subject 3: Poverty Alleviation

Nattukoottam

Chair	Philip mathew
Co-chair	Dr. Ruby Ojha
Rapporteur	Kukku Parameswaran
Paper Presentations	
Arockia V. Amuthan	Tamil Nadu: An economic analysis of poverty alleviation
Jitendra Wasnik	Role of panchayati raj institutions in poverty reduction: Initiatives in Maharashtra
Kasi Eswarappa	Poverty and vulnerability: An empirical enquiry from the Rayalaseema region of Andhra Pradesh
Mridusmita Baruah	Poverty reduction in a conflict ridden north east: perspectives of the local governance
Rajiv Johari	A relook at poverty alleviation measures
Ramya Ranjana Patel	Poverty reduction strategies and its failure in india: implications for gandhian plan
Joshi P.D.	Relative deprivation and social welfare measures
Senthilkumar and Yuvasri	Poverty reduction
Yacoub Zachariah Kuruvila	Role of urban local governments in poverty reduction : A review of BSUP and IHSDP programmes

**Subject 4 : Local Economic Development**

Gramodaya Hall

Chair	Prof. K.P. Mani
Co-chair	Srinivas Sajja
Rapporteur	Beena Sivan
Paper Presentations	
Anamika Das	Rural livelihood diversification towards non-farm sector in Assam: Role of local government in facilitating diversification
Beena Lorance	Local economic development- a retrospective approach on Gandhian thoughts and its current relevance
Shameem C.C.	Kudumbashree and local economic development
Chitta Rajan Mishra	Gandhian economic model in alternative for the economic development
Venkatesan K	Attaining sustainable livelihood development
Loura Michelle Stark	Local government and its discontents in a low-income neighborhood of Dares Salaam, Tanzania
Mohinder Kumar Slariya	Shifting from case studies of shifting cultivation Chamba; Himachal Pradesh
Pratichi Majumdar	State supported participatory development: A paradox or a new hybrid
Sibabrata Choudhury	Community managed model securing land rights for the poor – experiences from Odisha, India
Sambhaji Nikam	Local economic development-a case study of kognoli village
Thahira K.K.	Regional disparity and local economic development in Kerala: An analysis
Sandu Trimbakrao Shirsath	Probing for governance towards rural economic sustainability: An experience of rural business hub in India and strategy thereafter

## Subject 5 : Community Governance

Ashok Mehta Hall

Chair	Prof. P.K. Raveendran
Co-chair	Lokhande Nilakanth Kamanna
Rapporteur	Rima Jose
Paper Presentations	
Sailendra Raj	Challenges and way forward: A study in context of Malahandi, Odisha
Debatra Kumar Dey	Decentralised governance in programme implementation: reflections from West Bengal
Seema Gupta	Community managed model securing land rights for the poor experiences from Odisha, India
Dhanraj Rai & Surendra Rai	Democracy and decentralization in sikkim:an impact and assessment to 73 <sup>rd</sup> amendment act and MGNREGA
Mangala Subramaniam	Community organizing and prevention of HIV/ AIDS: Challenges and opportunities
Ramkumar G.	Decentralisation and social change among dalit: a case study of Kuthambakkam village panchayat, Tamil Nadu
Srinivas Sajja	Negotiating empowerment through innovation: women and local governance in telangana
Suprabha K. R	Microfinance and beyond: Issues and concerns
Vidya I.V. & Mani K.P.	Social capital generation and local level development: A study on grass root level institutions in Kerala
Surjya Narayan Tripathy	Tribal's victory in prohibiting mining Niyamgiri Hills, Kalahandi, Odisha
Lokhande Nilakanth Kamanna	The concept of decentralisation in the Swarajshastra

**Subject 6 : Gram Swaraj**

Balwanth Rai Mehta Hall

Chair	M. P. Varkey
Co-chair	Harinam singh
Rapporteur	Rismiya R.I
Paper Presentations	
Bibekananda nayak	Relevance of Gandhian thought on swaraj, rural development and social inclusion
Joanna P. Coelho	Swaraj in exile: An experiment in 'community governance' in the tibetan settlements in Bailakuppe, Karnataka
Mukesh Kumar Shrivastava	Gandhi's gram swaraj, local government in North-East India
Nagender Swamy T.	From representative to participatory democracy
Rajeesh A.P.	Gandhian concept of grama swaraj and alternate dispute redressal mechanism
Gokul M.A.	Gandhina model of decentralisation the digital era: Aspirations and challenges of kerala
Sunil Kumar Cyriac	Gram swaraj and gandhian way of enforcement of punishment
Shreeja Nair	Gandhi and deep ecology: An antidote to contemporary environmental issues
Patil Vijay Ramchandra	The challenges of good governance in India, in the era of 21 <sup>st</sup> Century

**Subject 7 : Women and Child**

Nagarodaya Hall

Chair	Eliyamma Vijayan
Co-chair	Patil Shivaji Subrao
Rapporteur	P.V. Ramakrishnan
Paper Presentations	
Aradhana Singh	Access to basic amenities by rural households in India: Deprivation, disparities and determinants
Devanathan D	Decentralization and of scheduled castes women empowerment
Jaseela P.T.	Women empowerment through MGNREGA: Palakkad District, Kerala
Sushant	Gender mainstreaming through gender responsive budgeting
Prabhavathi Prabhakaran	Adoption of gandhian philosophy to create an inclusive environment for women development in India.
Soniya Bandodkar	Role of woman on child development of Gabit community in rural areas of karwar Taluka of Uttar Kannada district, Karnataka.
Raheena K.M.	Realisation of gandhi's dream on women empowerment: Kerala model
S S Sreekumar	Political participation of women: A study on Andaman and Nicobar Islands
Pravin Nandkishorji Totala	Women empowerment: In view of Mahatma Gandhi



**Subject 8 : Sanitation and Health**

Grama Swaraj Hall

Chair	Dr. Jayakrishnan T
Co-chair	Aradhana singh
Rapporteur	Ajith Menon
Paper Presentations	
Babitha Ann Joseph	Monsoon diseases and the interventions by Angadippuram gramapanchayath: A case study
Bijay Kumar Swain	Poverty alleviation through gandhian approach on indebtedness
Nessymol. S	Anganawady on the receiving end : A study on Anganavadys in Malappuram
Huchhe Gowda	Knowledge and adoption of health and nutritional practices by rural women
Jaswinder Kaur & Namit Kumar	Good governance through democratic decentralisation: A case study of rural water supply and sanitation project, Fatehgarh Sahib, Punjab
Patel J.C.	Aged tribal women and health - a case of Gujarat
Narayanan K	Sanitation and health
Swagatika Rath	Community participation for development of sanitation and health
Sanjay Kumar Swain	Addressing sanitation issues through community participation
Sunny Wadhvaniya	Role of PRI'S (panchayati raj institutions) in decentralization of health and sanitation facilities in rural areas of gujarat
Venu Madhav M	Water, sanitation and menstrual hygiene management: A study from Telangana state
Riju Stephen	Need of real-time surveillance of communicable diseases at the local level in Kerala
Sujathan Pandamangalamakalam	Elderly in kerala: A critical assessment of the role of the LSGS
Neepa Gandhi	A study of livelihood and educational status of sanitation workers in Ahmedabad, Gujarat

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#### Subject 1: Poverty Alleviation

Grama Sabha Hall

Chair	Dr. V.K. Gopi
Co-chair	Harinam Singh
Rapporteur	P.V. Ramakrishnan
Paper Presentations	
Animesh Ghosh	Poverty alleviation through participatory approach
Imthiyas Ali .V	Litigation-free and legal-literates: Significance of litigation free panchayats in Kerala
Krishna Chandra Pradhan	Dropout problem among tribal girl students - A case study
Papannanavar K	Status of poverty alleviation in drought hit area of Karnataka: Special reference to Chitradurga District
Laura Stark	Local government and its discontents in a low-income neighborhood of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
Nitesh Kumar	Global poverty reduction - a social work response
Surendra Rath	Changing colours in poverty
Bharati Patil	Poverty alleviation through Antyodaya Anna Yojana: A critique
Narwade Sunil Sheshrao	Poverty eradication and pension schemes- the issue of a accessibility
Simi Mehta	Role of agriculture in alleviating poverty

**Subject 2: Political Representation**

Gramodaya Hall

Chair	Loura Michelle Stark
Co-chair	Biju S.K
Rapporteur	Pratap Singh
Paper Presentations	
Ayangbam Shyamkishor	Democratic decentralization a comparative study between the 73 <sup>rd</sup> amendment act and the village council in Mizoram
Biswajit Mohapatra	Enhancing people's participation in democratic governance: Gandhian perspectives
Debabrata Samanta	Political affiliation and participation: An analysis in the context of rural West Bengal
Dasarathi Bhuiyan	People's participation in development projects at grass-root level: A critical review of current theory and practice
Gopal Iyer K	Study of punjab panchayat elections 2008 and 2013; Effective political representation and constraints to democratic decentralization in Punjab
Jukka Jouhki	Voting among the urban poor in india: Exploring the cultural context
Niranjini G	Electronic waste: An environment factor affecting the society
Nironjon Islary	Bodoland Territorial Council (BTC): Its provision of political representation
Ashok Kumar Behera	Participation of rural women in panchayati raj system; A Case study of Jajpur District, Odisha
Renoj N. K	Gandhian mode of protest: Locating movements of disables in India
Surjith M.	Local democracy, democratic institutions and the marginalised: The case of scheduled tribes in rural Kerala
Renoj N.K	Gandhian mode of protest: Movements of disables in India

### Subject 3: Community Governance

Ward Sabha Hall

Chair	Dr. V.P. Abdul Hameed
Co-chair	Dr. Janaka Hema Tilaka
Rapporteur	D. Sanky
Paper Presentations	
Debakanya Samanta	Changes in paradigm in capacity building process: A study of hoogly district of West Bengal
Manmohan Singh Thakur	Youth participation in community governance: A study of Vidisha Madhya Pradesh
Mokbul Laskar	Re-inventing institutions of self-governance – issues & concern
Pratham Paresh	Inclusive social development: A study of Gujarat
Renjith K.R.	Role of local self government and people participation in coastal security
Tanusree Chakraborty	Microfinance: Rescuing or betraying gender from the poverty trap? Case studies of three districts in West Bengal
Yatindra Singh Sisodia	Democratic governance at local level: evidences from the functioning of grassroots institutions in central Indian States
Moumita Laha	Management of CPR through community governance in India
Arun K V	Gandhi- apostle of participant research

**Subject 4 : Gram Swaraj**

Ashok Mehta Hall

Chair	Chatharine Casey
Co-chair	Dr. V.P. Sukumaran
Rapporteur	P.Y. Anil
Paper Presentations	
Chongtham Laxmi Devi	Gandhi : As an early green
Vimal Pandey	Gandhi, democracy and local governance
Rebati Naik	Impact of MGNREGA on rural poverty reduction - a case study in KBK region of Odisha
Mohan Das K	The unfinished agenda of Gandhi's Gram Swaraj - present status of panchayati raj and decentralisation in Karnataka
Sunil Gaikwad	Gandhian philosophy of jurisprudence in the 21 <sup>st</sup> century: A critical perspective
Chandrakala Padia	Gandhi's gram swaraj: A blue print for a humanistic social order
Suryakant I. Gaikwad	Contemporary relevance of mahatma gandhi's concept of Gram Swaraj
K.V. Raghavan	Gandhi's vision on finance

## Subject 5 : Local Governance and Association of Local Governments

Grama Swaraj Hall

Chair	Prof. M.N. Sudhakaran
Co-chair	G.K. Sunil
Rapporteur	K.V. Anil Kumar
Paper Presentations	
Sreekumar C.C, President, Thrissur District Panchayat for Zilla Panchayat Chamber	Presentation
T.E. Abdulla, Chairman, Kasaragod Municipality for Municipal Chamber	Presentation
N. Manikandan , President, Block panchayat Association	Presentation
P. T. Mathew , President, Grama Panchayat Association	Presentation
K.B. Madan Mohan	Initiative in Agriculture

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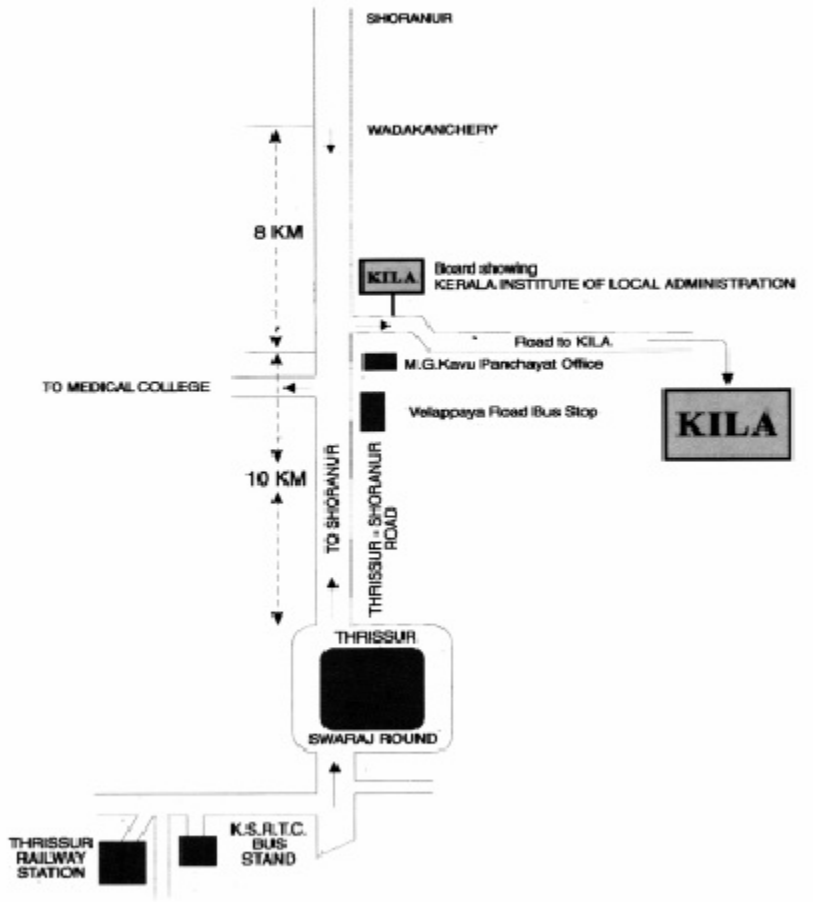
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### 9. KILA Campus Site Plan

