



45th All India Sociological Conference

27th to 29th December 2019

Department of Sociology, University of Kerala
Organizes

PRE-CONFERENCE CONCLAVE-1

Environment Management: Policies, Perspectives & Strategies

In Association with

Dept. of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala

Partner Organization : Kerala State Pollution Control Board



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The University of Kerala, in connection with the Golden Jubilee of the Department of Sociology, is hosting the 45th All India Sociological Conference (45th AISC) at the Kariavattom Campus from 27th to 29th December 2019. The Theme of the Conference is, *Environment, Culture and Development: Discourses and Intersections*. In the context of the recent floods and environmental disasters that hit the State, there will be a special Plenary in the Conference on *Rebuilding Kerala: Technological and Environmental Challenges*. As part of this Plenary, we are organizing a Pre-Conference Conclave on "Environment Management: Policies, Perspectives and Strategies", focussing on the issues of Solid Waste Management.

In the context of the Rebuild Kerala initiative, many innovative Projects related to Municipal Solid Waste Management, sewage treatment, storm and drain water management etc. have been proposed throughout Kerala that called for a rethinking and change of our attitude and practices in waste management and pollution control. Hence the new coinage: *Rebuild Kerala, Rethink Kerala*. However, it is perceived by some governmental forum that some of the environment management projects are being blocked because of the protests from various quarters. It is a fact that managing the solid waste and sewages both in urban centres and suburbs on an everyday basis is not an easy task with the existing systems and programmes. At the same time, there are genuine concerns on the need for centralized waste management systems. It is in this context that we propose to organize the Pre-Conference Conclave-I with a view to bring together various categories of people and facilitate a discussion on the appropriate policies, perspectives and strategies for environment management in Kerala. The Conclave seeks to provide a platform for the technical Experts, environmentalists, social Activists, academicians, politicians, research Scholars and post graduate students to examine the challenges and prospects in implementing environment management projects, which could play a vital role in Rebuilding Kerala. The deliberations of the Conclave will be presented in the Plenary at the Conference for further considerations and incorporated into the compiled report of the Plenary to be submitted to the Government, which it is hoped, will strengthen its efforts at Rebuilding Kerala.

Cordially inviting your esteemed presence

Dr Antony Palackal
Organising Secretary,
45th AISC

Rebuild Kerala Rethink Kerala

Environment Management: Policies, Perspectives and Strategies

December 12th, 2019

10:30 am – 3:30 pm

**Conference Hall, Department of Environmental Sciences,
University of Kerala, Kariyavattom**

PROGRAMME

Inaugural Session: 10:30 am to 11:30 am

- Welcome : **Mr. Pradeep Kumar M.**, Senior Research Scholar,
Department of Sociology, University of Kerala
- Presidential Address : **Shri. Cherian Philip**, Coordinator,
Navakeralam Karma Padhathi, Govt. of Kerala
- Inaugural Address : **Dr. Ajit Haridas**, Chairman,
Kerala State Pollution Control Board
- Keynote Address : **Er. Sreekala S**, Member Secretary,
Kerala State Pollution Control Board
- Vote of Thanks : **Dr. Pushpam M**, Associate Professor and Head,
Department of Sociology, University of Kerala

Panel Discussion: 11.30 am to 1.00 pm

- Moderator : **Dr. Antony Palackal**, Associate Professor,
Department of Sociology, University of Kerala
- Speakers : **Dr. Jaya D. S.**, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences
and Technology Department of Environmental Sciences,
University of Kerala
- : **Smt. Shobana Kumari** , Leader, Vilappilsala Struggle
- : **Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan** , Associate Professor and Head,
Department of Law, University of Kerala

1.00 pm to 1.45 pm

Lunch Break

1.45 pm to 3.00 pm

Group Discussion and Report Presentation

- Valedictory Address : **Dr. Sabu Joseph**, Professor and Head, Department of
Environmental Science, University of Kerala