

Panel Discussion on Tamil Nadu State Budget 2021–22

Tuesday, 17 August 2021 • 3:00 – 5:30 pm • Zoom

Programme Schedule

<i>Opening Remarks</i>	P. G. Babu Director, MIDS, Chennai	
<i>Introducing the Speakers</i>	L. Venkatachalam Professor, MIDS, Chennai	
<i>Keynote Address</i>	S. Krishnan , I.A.S. Additional Chief Secretary Finance Department Government of Tamil Nadu	
<i>Speakers</i>	K. R. Shanmugam Professor and Director Madras School of Economics, Chennai	TN Government Budget and State Economy
	Vidya Mahambare Professor Great Lakes Institute of Management Chennai	TN Budget's Focus on Job Creation: Directionally Right, Implementation to be the Key
	A. Narayanamoorthy Senior Professor and Head Department of Economics and Rural Development Alagappa University, Karaikudi	Agriculture Budget: Has it Addressed the Core Issues?
	V. R. Muraleedharan Professor Indian Institute of Technology Madras Chennai	Budget for Health Care in Tamil Nadu: Basic Policy Issues
	Kripa Ananthpur Associate Professor, MIDS, Chennai	Data Centric Governance: Opportunities and Challenges
<i>Discussion and Q & A</i>		
<i>Vote of Thanks</i>	K. Jafar Assistant Professor, MIDS, Chennai	

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About the Speakers

K. R. Shanmugam is Professor and Director of Madras School of Economics, Chennai; he teaches and conducts research in Public Economics, Indian Public Finance, Applied Econometrics, Financial Time Series Analysis, Econometric Methods, Statistical Methods, Optimization Techniques, Financial Economics, etc. He has published six books/edited books, 12 monographs and 38 articles in national and international journals. He has completed 38 research projects on various aspects of economy and development. He has also presented more than 100 research papers in numerous conferences. He is also serving as a member in various policy advisory committees.

Vidya Mahambare is Professor of Economics at Great Lakes Institute of Management, Chennai. She is also Program Director for PGDM program. Earlier Vidya was a Director and Principal Economist at CRISIL and prior to that, with Cardiff Business School, UK. She has a masters and doctorate in economics from Lancaster Management School, UK. She has published academic papers in journals such as Oxford Economic Papers and World Development, and has a co-authored paper forthcoming in Feminist Economics and a chapter in India Development Report 2021, among others. She also writes for newspapers including Mint, Times of India, and Hindu Business Line and online for The Print. She has co-authored a book 'Should Britain leave the EU? – An economic analysis of troubled relationship'.

A. Narayanamoorthy is former full-time Member (Official), Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi. He is currently Senior Professor and Head, Department of Economics and Rural Development, Alagappa University. He specializes in the areas of irrigation including micro-irrigation, farm economics and benefit-cost analysis. With close to 30 years of teaching and research experience, Narayanamoorthy has published 12 books (including from Routledge, Springer, Oxford University Press, etc), three mimeographs and over 200 research papers in well-recognised international and national journals.

V. R. Muraleedharan is Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at Indian Institute of Technology, Madras. His research interest includes Healthcare Economics, History of Healthcare in India, and Technology and Health Policy. He teaches economics with more focus on Principles of Economics, Environmental and Resource Economics, Technology and Sustainable Development, History of Economics, etc. He carried out several research studies for the State Govts. of Tamil Nadu, Chattisgarh, Govt. of India, Health and Family Welfare Dept., USAID (Delhi), DFID (UK), WHO (Delhi), Rockefeller Foundation (New York), and Wellcome Trust (UK). In addition to a book by Macmillan Press, he has published edited books, 36 monographs and more than 40 articles in reputed journals.

Kripa Ananthpur is Associate Professor at MIDS, Chennai. She studies the dynamics of local democracy and governance and the interface between governance and civil society institutions. She has worked on various aspects of Decentralisation and local democracy with the World Bank, Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, 5th State Finance Commission, Governments of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Currently she is the coordinator and one of the PIs of the Tamil Nadu Household Panel Survey with University of Michigan and GOTN. She is also coordinating the Tamil Nadu Covid Pulse Survey.