About the University

The Annamalai University is a unitary, teaching, and residential university. It was founded by the munificence of the farsighted and noble hearted philanthropist and patron of letters the late Hon’ble Dr. Rajah Sir Annamalai Chettiar of Chettinad, Kt, LL.D., D.Litt. He started several colleges, and ultimately, the University in 1929. Since its inception, it has progressively tried to realize the aims of the noble Founder Pro-Chancellor. After him, his illustrious son, Padma Bhushan Dr. Rajah Sir Muthiah Chettiar of Chettinad, was the Pro-Chancellor from 1948 to 1984, and he sedulously nurtured the growth and development of the University.

The present Pro-Chancellor Dr. M.A.M. Ramaswamy, a philanthropist and a patron of sports, is the distinguished son of Dr. Rajah Sir Muthiah Chettiar. The University has had the unique good fortune of having a succession of eminent Vice-Chancellors to guide its destinies. During the last eighty two years the University has grown rapidly and has consolidated its position as a unitary and residential University with fifty six Departments of Study and over 2954 members on its teaching staff. Annamalainagar is already a busy and full-fledged University town, east of Chidambaram, the abode of Lord Nataraja. The University campus, including the colleges, hostels, and playgrounds, occupies an area of about thousand acres.

About the Department

The Department of Economics has been functioning since the very inception of the University in 1929. M.A Economics was introduced in 1935, when the Meenakshi College blossomed into the full-fledged Annamalai University. During 1935-40 impetus was given to research by introducing M. Litt. and Ph.D. courses. As per the guidelines of the UGC the M.Phil. Programme was started from 1978. M.A. in Applied Economics was introduced from 1981 as an application oriented study of economic theories. M.Phil. coordinating summar sequential programme was initiated in 1988 and Ph.D. for external candidates was launched in 1988. Five year integrated programme in M.A. Applied Economics has been offered from 2002, and MBA Environmental Management Programme from 2006. The department has 41 teachers comprising 8 Professors, 1 Associate Professors and 33 Assistant Professors. For 20 years the Department has been officially coordinating an Interdisciplinary Workshop on Research Methodology for all the faculties of the University. This attracts participants from other institutions also. There are about 5000 volumes in the Department Library. All the faculty & students have free access,
through the UGC Infonet sources, to the major National and International Journals.

About the Seminar

The last two decades in India witnessed a sea change in policies that helped achieving unprecedented growth in per capita GDP heralding a new hope of reduction of poverty and hunger, access to basic amenities and social requirements to everybody. Although the percentage of the population below the official poverty line has come down over the years, the proportion of poor is still high and the rate of decline in poverty is not commensurate with the rising GDP. Other indicators of deprivation also suggest that the proportion of population deprived of a minimum level is much higher. Almost half the children in the age–group 0 to 3 years suffered from malnutrition in 2011–12, and what is more disturbing is that the level of malnutrition shows almost no decline over the years. Indicators of human development such as literacy and education, and maternal and infant mortality rates show steady improvement, nevertheless they also suggest that the progress is slow and we continue to lag behind several Asian countries, behind the reasons is, poor access to essential health care services. With time, inequality sharpened and the poor people and poor regions are in an endless wait for reaping the benefits from the ‘spread effect’ or the ‘trickle down’ of development. In the above context, the conference aims to highlight the nexus between health and medical care services. We invite papers that address the following fifteen themes with special reference to Health and Medical Care Services: Claims on National Resources. This seminar would help each and every participant to the original works in the field of health economics and get a full account of different dimension of the subject. Therefore, the seminar would focus on the following Themes:

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Target Groups
- The participants are Students/Scholars/ Young Teachers/government officials/ policy experts.

Important Dates
- Submission of abstracts on or before 15th November 2012
- Submission of full papers on or before 28th November 2012

Procedure for Paper Presentation
- Paper should represent original research work which has not been published or submitted for publication elsewhere.
- Papers should be neatly typed with 1.5 spaces in MS word format using Times New Roman font of 12 in size. An abstract of not more than 200 words with the title of the paper should be provided mentioning the details of author(s).
- Paper should not exceed 10 pages, including tables and annexure.
- Papers submitted to the conference will be peer reviewed.
- Papers should be sent only by E-mail: economicsau@yahoo.com subbu_llec75@yahoo.co.in

Publication
- Abstract will be published in the form of book with ISSN
- Selected papers will be published in the special issue of INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF LANGUAGE IN INDIA in the form of book with ISSN.

Registration
- Faculty: Rs. 500
- Research Scholars: Rs. 250
- UG & PG student: Rs. 200
Accommodation

The participants have to make their own arrangements. However, limited accommodation is available in the University Guest House / Hostel on extra payment. We would help the participants in arranging accommodation at nominal charges on first-come, first-serve by twin-sharing basis. No TA/DA will be paid to the participants.

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