

MS. MEGHA JACOB

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Ms. Megha Jacob is an Assistant Professor in the department.

Her areas of specialisation are Development Economics, Public Finance, Macroeconomics and Environmental Economics

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

M.Sc. Economics, 2013-15, Madras School of Economics (second rank)

B.A.(H) Economics, 2010-13, Sri Venkateswara College, Delhi University

UGC NET (Economics) Qualified

SOFTWARE SKILLS

1. STATA
2. E views
3. SPSS

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Her research interests include the Economics of Gender, climate change, agriculture, health, education, public finance and local governance. She had worked as an intern in the 14th Finance Commission under the supervision of the Economic Advisor on Fiscal Policy of India in 2014. She is the recipient of **the SAARC Education Award** for outstanding contribution in the areas of Environmental Education (2007)

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS AND EXPERIENCE

2017-Date: Assistant Professor in the department of Economics, Jesus and Mary College, Delhi University; subjects taught include Development Economics, Money and Banking, Economic Development and Policy, Macroeconomics, Indian Economy and Research Methodology

2015-17: Economist and Research officer with KDS Delhi, a socio-economic research Institute. 1.) Worked on a KDS project on “The Need Assessment and Detailed Project Report (DPR) preparation for Backward Grama Panchayat, Tribal Panchayat and Revenue Deficient Municipalities. **Client:** Kerala Local Government Service Delivery Project, Local Self Government Department, Government of Kerala. **Methodology** adopted was mainly a participatory approach. The data and information for this exercise were collected both from primary and secondary sources.

2.) Worked on a KDS project on Study on Human Rights of Transgender as a Third Gender. **Client:** National Human Rights Commission, Government of India. Project Description: This was a national study of National Human Rights Commission covering Delhi and Uttar Pradesh. The study had a sample size of 1000 respondents.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

She was one of the organizers of the Faculty Development Program by JMC in collaboration with TROPICSU, IISER Pune at Jesus and Mary College on 28th January, 2019. She was the School Head girl and vice Head Girl (Loreto Convent, Delhi Cantt) in 2008-10.

Positions Held

2017-2019

Convenor of the English Debating Society of JMC

Co-Convenor of the Public Policy Cell of JMC

Students Council Advisor (2019-20)

Member of AICUF from July,2017-present

Member of the Economics Magazine “Contrarian” of Jesus and Mary College (2018-19)

Member of the JMC NAAC team for Criterion 3 (Research), 2019

Member of the Puzzle Society

Economics Department’s Activities Incharge (2019-20)

Member of the Research Cell, Department of Economics (2018-19)

Research Publications (INTERNATIONAL/ NATIONAL)

- 1.) Megha Jacob and Jacob John ,*Empowerment of Marginalized Communities and Tourism: Case Study of Theyyam Dance*, in Bindi Varghese (ed.)*Evolving Paradigms in Tourism and Hospitality in Developing Countries*, Apple Academic Press , New Jersey 08758 USA. 2018
- 2.) Megha Jacob and Jacob John, *Local Governments and Public Health Delivery System in Kerala: Lessons of Collaborative Governance*, Cambridge Scholars Press, London, ISBN No. : 9781443899284. 2016
- 3.) Megha Jacob, *Economic citizenship of Dalits in India*, siddharth books, ISBN : 9789386928047. 2017
- 4.) Megha Jacob, *Entrepreneurships and Startup Programmes: Opportunities in Travel and Tourism*, Atna, J Tour Stud, **12**, 2, 51-65, ISSN 0975-3281. 2017
- 5.) Megha Jacob and Jacob John ,*Dalit Art Forms and Tourism Promotion: Case Study of Theyyam Dance*, Atna, J Tour Stud, 10, 2 , 1-15 ISSN 0975-3281. 2015

Projects undertaken

As a Research Officer at KDS Delhi (Full time and Part time) I have worked on the following projects:

Details of the Project	Funding Agency	Date of completion
Education of children of migrant workers and RTE Act, 2009	NIEPA	2015
Inter-regional migration from Eastern states to	Ministry of Labour	2016

Kerala: a socio-economic analysis		
A study on Human Rights of Transgender as a Third gender	NHRC, Government of India	2017
Documentation of the Governance Arrangements in Non part-9 areas of North Eastern states	Ministry of Panchayati Raj	2018-19
Economic Development and Income Generation through Panchayats in Rural Areas	Ministry of Panchayati Raj	2018-19

E-content

Contributed to **IISER, Pune and TROPICSU**, International Council of Sciences, an **e-lesson on “Shadow Prices and Market Prices”** in the workshop at IISER Pune on 18-19th March,2019 and published in July 2019

<https://tropicsu.org/lesson-plan-carbon-pricing-shadow-and-market-prices/>

Other Reports and Papers

1. “An Integrated Assessment of Ecosystem Change and Human Well Being in the Region of Karukachal, Kerala- using Game Theory” at the Madras School of Economics (2014) under professor Dr. Zareena Begum.
2. Presented paper on “Self Help Groups and Economic Development” at Arthiki (2013), the Economics fest of Madras School of Economics
3. Conducted a study on “Contingent Valuation of the Guindy National Park” under Professor Dr. Sukanya Das at Madras School of Economics. (2014)

4. A paper on the " Value of Statistical Life for Manual Scavengers" (2014)
5. **14th Finance Commission**, Economic Advisory Board (June 2014 - July 2014): Interned under Dr. Pinaki Chakraborty and worked on the following projects using time series:
 - a. Fiscal Space of Chhattisgarh
 - b. India's Direct Taxation System
 - c. International Comparisons of Tax Policies and trends
6. a.) Part of a research study on "**Effectiveness of Panchayati Raj Institutions in Health Care System in the State of Kerala**". The study was sponsored by Planning Commission of India (2011-12).
b.) Part of a research project on "**Development of an Appropriate Methodology and Framework for creating a Database of Self-Help Groups**". This project was sponsored by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, CSO, GOI (2010-11).