



# KAPSTAN'S Voice

- the news letter of Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers.

Vol. 5 (2020-21)

**Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers**

Affiliated to IFSW (International Federation of Social Workers) through INPSWA (India Network of Professional Social Workers Associations)

## 5th Kerala Social Work Congress

held online on 18-20 Dec 2020



Mrs. Lida Jacob IAS (Retd)



Prof. Ghandidoss



Mr. Rory Truel

The fifth edition of Kerala Social Work Congress was held online on 18-20 Dec 2020. The theme of the conference was 'Ubuntu-Strengthening Social Solidarity and Global Connectedness'. Global agenda of Social Work during 2020-30 was based on 'Importance of Human Relationship'. International



Dr. Jacob Rugare  
Mugumbate

Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) and the co-partners have set the global agenda framework for Social Work and Social development for the year 2020-30 as 'Co-building Inclusive Social Transformation'. The theme selected for the year 2020-22 based on the global agenda is 'Ubuntu-Strengthening Social Solidarity and Global Connectedness'. KAPS has chosen the same theme for deliberation in the conference.

Guided by ethical principles, social workers and other social development practitioners have the responsibility to connect people, communities and systems to developing sustainable communities and inclusive social transformation.

.... From President's Desk



*This news letter serves to highlight last year's activities ad accomplishments of the organization. It also opens a window of opportunity for the members to take up more innovative and meaningful initiatives.*

*KAPS could seriously involve in the COVID 19 pandemic in different ways and support the governemnt through its activities. The major areas of involvement were providing counselling support to different groups of people across Kerala and creating awareness . All the efforts were supportive of break the chain campaign.*

*Last year KAPS made achievements in its advocacy programmes, professional practice, organizational development and bringing more social workers to a useful platform.*

*This newsletter is a documentation of all our activities .Congratulations to the team behind this effort!*

### Lida Jacob IAS (Retd)

Mr.Rory Truel, Secretary General, IFSW has inaugurated the programme online. Mrs. Lida jacob, President KAPS presided over the meeting. Dr.Jacob Rugare Mugumbate (University of Wollongong, Australia) made the key note address on the theme. The word Ubuntu has its origin in Africa.

Prof. Ghandidoss (President, INPSWA-India Network of Professional Social Workers' Associations) has given special message during the occassion. Ms. Noorjhahan (KAPS Governing body member) welcomed the gathering. Dr.Ipe Varughese (General Secretary, KAPS) gave introductory remarks. Mr.Cyril Alexander, President, PSWA, Dr.Rajiv S P, General Secretary, ASSK, Ms.Mini.AP, SWOTA, Dr.Jobin Tom, APSWP (Kerala Ch.) and Ms.Akhila V, R President, SW Students' Assn.shared felicitation messages. Mr. Abdul Rahiman (Vice President, KAPS North Central region) shared vote of thanks.

Sub themes of the Conference:

The conference had following sub themes.

- Social Work services in Indian Context
- Social Work for improving Human Relations & Social Solidarity

- Social Work services during COVID 19 - Social Work for Solving Social Problems
- Social Work for addressing Human Rights Issues
- Online learning in Social Work: Prospects and Challenges
- Field Practicum during COVID pandemic
- Social Work services for Social Change
- Professional Associations for Profession' Development
- Social Work services for Community health

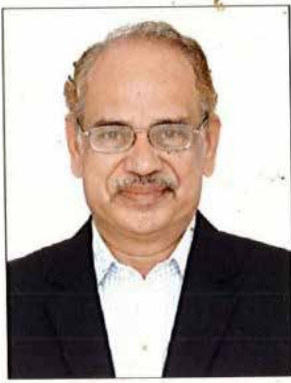
### Input Sesssions

After the inaugurl programme, the second input session on 19 Dec 2020 (for felicitating best achievers) was taken by Mr.Harikishore

IAS. Mr. Sriganesh M V (Secretary General, IFSW Asia Pacific Region) and Fr.Dr. Joseph M.K (Head, Dept. of Social Work Rajagiri College of Social Sciences Ernakulam) were the chief guests in the meeting.



Mr.Harikishore IAS



Mr.Sriganesh



Fr.M.K Joseph

input session on ‘Integrating Structural Social Work in Social Work in Indian context’ was by Dr.Baiju Pallicka Vareed, Mac Evan University, Edmonton, Canada.



Dr.PV Baiju



Dr.Cherian P Kurien

Dr.Cherian P Kurien (Marian College, Kuttikkanam & Vice president INPSWA) inaugurated the session. Mr. Akhil Soman shared the new experience in agriculture.



Mr.Akhil Soman



Dr.Dhanasekhara Pandyan



Fr.Prasanth Palakkappillil

The third session at 5.30 pm on 19 Dec 2020. Mr. Jojo (Secretary KAPS ernakulam Ch.) welcomed the gathering and Fr.Joy James inaugurated the session. Mr. Bineesh Kappan



Mr.Arshil



Mr.Bineesh Kappan

took a session on ‘Child abuse-Remedial measures and rehabilitation practices in UK’ . The programme was in association with Southend on Sea borough council, Essex, UK . Mr.Arshil. P.C moderated this session.

### Valedictory Function

In the valedictory session, Prof.Devi Prasad (former Professor TISS Mumbai and Member Working Committee for campaign on Naional Council for Social Work education gave an input session on ‘some misconceptions on draft bill on ‘National Council for Social Work education’



Prof. Devi Prasad

Input session on ‘Integrating Structural Social Work in Social Work in India was by Fr.Dr.Prasanth Palakkappillil (former President KAPS and Principal SH college, Thevara, Ernakulam) and Dr. DhanasekhraPandyan ( Head, Dept. of Psychiatic Social Work, NIMHANS, Bangalore) has given messages in the occassion.



## V KSWC -Paper Presentations

Four sessions of paper presentations were conducted in the conference. 20 papers were presented in the conference. The following people had moderated different sessions of paper presentations.

Session 1: Dr.Sanjay Bhattacharya, World Vision, India

Dr.C.P Mathew ISSW, Indore,

session 2: Dr.Abhiya Mary George, NIMHANS  
Mr.Shuaib Muhammed RV,  
WMO College, Muttill, Wayanad

Session 3: Dr.Poornima P S, St.Joseph's college,  
Devagiri, Kozhikode

Mr.Arun K. Gems Arts & Science  
college, Malappuram

Session 4: Dr.Jonas Richard, Kristujayanti  
college, Bangalore

Ms.Cicily Joseph, St.Joseph's college,  
Pilathara, Kannur



Dr.Sanjay  
Bhattacharya



Dr.C P Mathew



Dr.Abhiya  
Mary George



Mr.Shuaib  
Muhammed



Dr.Poornima PS



Mr.Arun K



Ms.Cicily Joseph



Dr.Johas Richard

## Online Cultural Fest

An online cultural fest was conducted as part of V KSWC on 19 Dec 2020. Mr. Satheesh K (President, Palakkad Chapter) moderated the programme. Sri. Janardhanan Puthusseri inaugurated the event. The entire fest was very attractive with variety of items.

**Moderator**  
Sri. Satheesh.K  
(President, KAPS Palakkad Chapter)

**Zoom**  
19.12.2020 ■ Time : 6.45 PM to 7.45 PM

**Inauguration**  
Sri. Janardhanan Puthusseri  
(Musician & Dr. Ambedkar Award Winner)

**Chief Guests**

- Sri. Vivek Vijayan (Singer & Kathakali Artist)
- Sri. Prem C Prathap (Aslanet - Music India Fame)
- Sri. Gireesh (Flutist)
- Kumari Abhirami Jagadees (Sun Singer Fame)
- Kuman. Gayathri (Professional Singer)
- Sri. Vipin Veeramani (Professional Singer)

## Appreciation to Achievers

A meeting was conducted to appreciate all the toppers of universities and autonomous colleges in Kerala in MSW 2017-19 batch. All the toppers have joined in the online meeting. Fr.Dr. M.K Joseph, Head Dept. of Social Work Rajagiri college of Social Sciences, Mr. Harikishore IAS and Mr. Sriganesh (Secretary General, INPSWA). were the chief guests of the programme. (The details of toppers are available in p4.).

### Best Performers in Kerala: MSW 17-19 Batch



## 5th Kerala Social Work Students Congress

The 5th Kerala Social Work Students Congress of KAPS , 2021 is hosted by the Department of Social Work, Central University of Kerala and Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers & KAPS Students Association in Collaboration with Association of Schools of Social Workers in Kerala(ASSK) via online mode, on 4th and 5th March 2021. The chosen theme for the event is 'Co-building Inclusive Social Transformation' with an aim to recognise the need to build an inclusive society involving the people from unnoticed, marginalised and weaker sections of the society to achieve an inclusive social transformation.

The theme recognizes the need for Co-building with people, families communities, weaker sections of the society, Marginalised sections, Unnoticed groups, all of them to achieve an inclusive social transformation, Locally, regionally, Nationally and globally.

The inaugural ceremony of 5th Kerala Social Work Students Congress started at 09:45 AM. The Honorable Vice Chancellor Prof. H Venkateshwarlu of Central University of Kerala lit the lamp in the physical meet organised at Central University of Kerala which marked the start of the two day All Kerala Social Work Students Congress. He spoke about the importance of sensitizing Social Work as a discipline in his Inaugural address. Vice Chancellor of Tumkur University, Prof. Y S Siddegowda was the chief guest who reiterated about role of social workers in social inclusiveness. KAPS Student Association President Ms. Akhila presided over the function and Dr. Mohan A. K, Dr. Laxmi, Dr. Dilip Diwaker G. of Dept. of Social Work, Central University of Kerala as well as Mrs. Lida Jacob IAS, Dr. Ipe Varughese, Dr. Joseph Sebastian of Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers joined in the inaugural Ceremony. The programme came to an end by 10:45 AM.

The next event was panel discussion 'Narrating the Stories of Social inclusion' shared stories of courage, determination and perseverance.

The Panel members were

1. Miss. Pragya Prasn, founder and secretary of Athijeevan foundation
2. Mr. Rony George, founder and director of Chaitanya institute of mental health Pune
3. Mr. Daniel Vinod Kumar, senior program manager Centre for Advocacy and Research



The panel discussion was moderated by Dr. Dilip Diwakar Assistant Professor Central University of Kerala.

Ms. Pragya narrated her experience as an acid attack survivor and how she transformed the lives of about 250 acid attack survivors through her organisation Athijeevan Foundation. Last year she received Nari Shakti Puraskar the highest civilian award given to women in India. Mr Rony George also shared his story how he started to working with people with different mental health conditions and he described in detail about his organisation Chaitanya Institute of Mental Health, Pune. Chaitanya work towards reintegrating the chronic mentally ill back into their families and society.

Mr. Daniel Vinod Kumar, shared his experiences working with sex workers emphasized the importance of increasing awareness about HIV AIDS in the society. He described the stigma faced by sex workers and their associated problems.

The third event for the first day was a One-to-One Conversation on 'Inclusive Intervention for Senior Citizens: Policies and Programmes'. The session started 2.00pm sharp. Ms. Vidya Shenoy and Dr. Mala Kapur Shankardass were the resource persons for the session. Dr. Laxmi Putran takes the role of moderator in the session.

Miss. Vidya Shenoy mainly concentrated on importance of the inclusion of senior citizens in



the society, family and other sectors. She also quotes that ‘ by giving a hand together we can make them more comfortable in the society.’



ed in the first round and top five of them succeeded to the next round. Mr. Baby Prabhakar and Sreejyothish coordinated the quiz.

Also, she stressed upon the values of senior citizens within us.

Dr. Mala Kapur Shankardass mainly concentrated on the policies for the senior citizens. She started the conversation with the quote ‘ We doesn’t have much policies for them, we need more policies for them.’ She pointed out some of the policies of both India Government policies as well as state Government policies. She also says about the Kerala government policies too.

In the session Anjana M N, 2nd year MSW Central University of Kerala takes the role of MC, Ms. Sreejisha. K delivered the Welcome note and Ms. Durgam Roja takes the role to deliver the official vote of thanks. There was a total of 137 participants in the session.

The 4th session was ‘Occulto’, the online open quiz conducted as part of 5th Kerala Social Work Students Congress was held at 4pm on 4th March 2021. The quiz comprises of 2 rounds. A preliminary round and a final round. The preliminary first round was conducted via Google forms. 15 students compet-

Mr. Sreejyothish was the Quiz Master. Priya V, 2nd year MSW, Loyola College of Social Sciences secured the first prize and Christeen Augustus Alphonse, 1st year MSW, Central University of Kerala bagged the second prize. The program came to an end at 5 30pm

On Second day 5th March the first event was ‘Re-Imagine: Social Initiative Presentation’ that comes up with an Inclusive intervention for LGBTIQ+ Community Members. The session started at 9.00 am. Dr. Mathew P.M. and Dr. M.N Parashuraman were the jury members of the session. Dr. M.N Parashuraman mainly concentrated on community-based organization working for the rights of LGBTQIA. Dr. Mathew P.M is an expert in the arena of Child Protection and Women Empowerment. Five team participated in the session for presentation which was selected out from the first round from that, best of best one presentation was selected based on judging criteria. Ms. Ananya A.K, Central University of Kerala compered the entire session. Ms. Theme

Manjusha from first year welcomed the session. Mr. Stebin Manoj delivered the Vote of Thanks

Second session for 2nd day was Group Discussion “Dare 2 Speak” conducted in two phases, where the discussion of three groups took place on the first phase. The theme was ‘Children in Difficult Circumstances’. The second phase started at 11 am. The committee member Mr. Praveen was the MC for the Programme. Ms. Anagha M V gave the welcome speech and then the presentations of group discussion were done. There were three groups for the presentation. Fr.



Sojan Panachikkal moderated the event and had an interaction with the participants. Dr. Jilly John briefed about the topic and gave an insightful message regarding the topic. The programme ended with the vote of thanks given by Ms. Najiya Jaleel.

As the third session for the day there was a business meet to discuss about the future KAPS student congress and the new governing body member for the Kerala Social Work Students Association. there by the Cultural Night.

As part of the preparation for the programme regional meetings of students representatives were conducted on 27 Feb 2021 and 26 Feb 2021.

The 5th Kerala Social Work Students Congress ended up with the Valedictory Ceremony.

## IFSW General Council

The IFSW (International Federation of Social Workers) General Meeting was held on online forum, in IFSW website in Jul 2020. The General Meeting is the supreme and governing body of the Federation and member organisations discussed and approved the policies of the Federation, elected the Executive Committee Members, and approved amendments to the Constitution.

KAPS representatives Dr.Ipe Varughese and Dr.Joseph Sebastian has participated in the general meeting of IFSW as part of the 15 member team from INPSWA (India Network of Professional Social workers Associations).

**PANEL DISCUSSION**

# Narrating The Story of Social Inclusion

**Ms. Pragya Prasun**  
Founder & Secretary  
Athjeevan foundation

**Mr. Rony George**  
Founder, Director  
Chaitanya Institute For  
Mental Health, Pune

**Mr. Daniel Vinod Kumar**  
Senior Program Manager  
Centre for Advocacy and  
Research

**MODERATOR**

**Dr. Dilip Diwakar G**  
Assistant professor  
Dept of Social Work  
Central University of Kerala



### **Online Quiz by KAPS Idukki chapter**

KAPS Idukki chapter organized an online quiz in connection with World Blood Donors' day.

### **Radio talk on World Epilepsy day**

Dr. Jayachandran, KAPS Governing body member gave a talk in All India radio in connection with World Epilepsy day

### **KAPS associated with Baratahamatah College for Bharathion conference**

KAPS has associated with Bharathamatha College Ernakulam in Bharathion 2021, the annual conference of Bharathamatha college. There was heavy discount for KAPS members in the registration of conference. Dr. Ipe Varughese presided over the valedictory ceremony. Dr. Anish and Fr. Joy James were resource persons in the seminar.

### **18 th Samanwaya International Conference at BCM College Kottayam**

KAPS has associated with BCM College Kottayam for its annual international conference related to the theme child Protection. More than 80 papers were presented in the conference. There was concession for KAPS members in the registration fees of conference. All leaders of KAPS and INPSWA had lead roles in the conference.

### **Efforts for National council for Social Work**

KAPS representatives have joined the efforts for formation of a National council for Social Work. After the national level online meeting called by NITIAYOG, a working group at national level has prepared a draft bill ie. 'National Council for Social Work education and practice bill 2020'. The draft bill was widely circulated in all the parts of India. KAPS has organized discussion meetings in all districts and collected suggestions. On the draft bill INPSWA has entrusted KAPS for circulating the bill in Kerala and collect opinions. KAPS held consultations on draft bill on 'National council for Social Work education and Practice 2020' in all the districts of Kerala. All the associations of Social Work in Kerala has participated in the district wise meetings. ASSK and SWOTA (Higher Sec. SW Teachers association) also held a consultation meetings in Kerala. The series of discussions in Kerala was very effective and shared the awareness on the bill to all social workers and trainees.

The suggestions were consolidated in the meeting on 07 Nov 2020. Prof. Murli Desai and Prof. Ghandidoss (President INPSWA) from the national working committee has participated in the meeting. All the district chapters made presentations in the programme which was consolidated and sent to the working committee for modification of the draft bill. The national working group further made modifications in the draft bill for presenting the same to the ministry for consideration.

### **KAPS Advocacy Committee takes up issues**

KAPS Advocacy committee has taken up different issues that social workers face regarding employment and salary. Many of them are under the consideration in various ministries of Govt. of Kerala. Based on the memorandum by KAPS the labour department has collected proofs of different jobs and salary structures from the KAPS office bearers from different districts in Kerala.

## World Social Work Day 2021

This year KAPS observed world social work day both in online and offline mode. A meeting conducted in Chaithanya Centre with 50 numbers of participants. The meeting was inaugurated by the Kottayam MLA , Sri Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan. Kottayam Chapetr President Ms. Meera Harikrishnan presided over the functions. KAPS Working President Dr. Joseph Sebastian, KSSS Director Fr. Sunil Perumanoor, KAPS Gen. Secretary Dr.Ipe Varghese, Sajo Joy, Jaison Philip Alappattu, Sr.Shalini CMC, Mr.Siju Thomas gave messages in the occassion.

KAPS Kottayam Chapter recognised Rtd DCPO Ms. Merly Jose, Social work Mission secretary C.J.Reji for the best performance in the professional social work field. Ms.Anitta Roy, Deroniia

David, Blessy Joseph, Annu Rose Francis, Jesleena George, Jeena Joby, Myavi Mindasso came in the top of university, Autonomous colleges, and different colleges were felicitated and mementos were given.

As all the social workers and trainees could not come together because of covid 19 restriction, the day was observed separately by all the Professional social work institutions and organizations in their respective institutions also.



KAPS Trivandrum Chapter observed World Social Work day in association with Pallium India on 1 Mar 2021. The chapter organized a discussion on the 'role of Social Workers in various setings. Dr. Sonny Jose (HoD, Dept. Of SW Loyola College & Vice President, KAPS Southern Region) has moderated the event. Mr. Joe Kunju ( State Pgm Codr. KSHPC), Ms. Amrida G S (Welfare Fund Inspector KTWWFB), Mr. Praveen S P ( KSACS), Arya R Chandra (State Pgm Offr (ICPS), Ms. Resmi G Pillai (Counselor, Dept. of Soc. Justice), Ms. Savitha V Raj (Kerala Social Security Mission), Ms. Lakshmi K (Reg. Welfare offr, Prisons), Mr.Sajan Antony (Childline), and Ms. Elna joseph, Med & Psy. Soc. Worker, Pallium india) spoke during the occassion.

KAPS Idukki chapter observed world social work day in association with JPM Arts and Science Collge, Labakkada, Idukki. Fr.Jobi Vellaplakel (Manager, JPM), Dr.Sibi Joseph President KAPS Idukki Chapter, Dr.V V Georgekutty (Principal), Sr.Regy Augustine (Jt.Secretary, KAPS South Central region), Fr.Tomy Adukuzhiyil (Vice Principal), Dr. Sibi Joseph (Presidnt, KAPS Idukki Ch) and Ms. Sanumol Catherine Scaria (HoD) have spoken during the programme. All the other colleges in idukki district have joined the programme online via zoom.



KAPS Pathanamthitta chapter observed World Social Work day at "Disha" Pathanamthitta. The renowned Social Service provider Dr. M S Sunil has inaugurated the programme. She emphasised on the need for scientific based social work for the development of the society. Sri. Reni Jacob (IJM) delivered the key note message. Mr. M B Dileep Kumar (KAPS State Treasurer) presented the theme of the year. Mr. Tojo Jacob, Ms. Remya Thoppil (Dt. Sec), Mr. Shan Ramesh Gopan (Dt. Pres), Mr. Shiju M Samson, Mr. Prince Philip, Kalaraj, Bini Mariam, Ajith, Jinu, Majitha, Maya, Elizabeth, Sheeba, Shanthi, Jincy and Jobin spoke in the occasion.



St. Thomas college, Parackathanam, Mallappally has observed World Social Work day and inaugurated the KAPS unit in the college in association with KAPS Pathanamthitta chapter. Mr. Nejin saji George Presided over the meeting, Dr. Ipe varughese (gen. Sec, KAPS) inaugurated the observation and unit association, Mr. Shan Ramesh Gopan (Dt. Pres. ) delivered key note message. Ms. Aishwarya gave felicitation message.

KAPS Kasaragod chapter organized an online programme as part of World Social Work day for Social Workers and SW trainees. Mr. Ranjith welcomed the gathering, Dr. Ipe Varughese (Gen. Sec KAPS) gave the Social Work message. Dr. Baiju P V (Canada) took a session on

Department of Social work, St. Thomas college, Konni has observed World Social Work day. Dr. Ipe varughese was the chief guest in the function.

### Stand with Farmers- Programme by Palakkad Chapter

Palakkad chapter supported farmers strike by organizing a programme. The members stood with pla cards with messages supporting the farmers strike.

### World Alzheimer's day observation

: The world Alzheimer's day was observed by KAPS Idukki Ch. As part of the programme, an online writing competition was done. The theme for the competition was the issues and challenges of family members having a Alzheimer's patient in their family. Criteria were made to select the winning candidate and cash prizes were distributed to them.



## ONLINE UGC NET/ JRF COACHING (2nd Batch)

KAPS Idukki District Chapter and KAPS Skills Academy organized one-month online crash course for UGC NET/JRF in Social Work. The programme was inaugurated by PSW. Dr. Mary Venus Joseph (Dean-Research, Rajagiri College of Social Sciences) on 20th February 2021. The event was welcomed by PSW. Dr. Siby Joseph (President, KAPS Idukki). The presidential address was given by PSW. Lida Jacob IAS (President, KAPS Kerala). The key note address was given by Dr. Lovelina F X (Professor and Head of Social Work Department, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore). Dr. Ipe Varughese, Dr. Joseph Sebastian, Dr. Anish K R, Mr. Dileep Kumar have given felicitation messages. PSW. Jaisemon Antony (Secretary, KAPS Idukki) delivered the vote of thanks.

### Resource Persons for UGC NET Coaching

1. Dr. Jobi babu, Asst. Professor and Dean (academics), Madurai institute of Social Sciences
2. Dr. Siby joseph , Director, School of Social Work, Marian College Kuttikkanam
3. Psw. Sreekutty MJ, Research scholar (JRF), Rajagiri college of Social Sciences
4. Psw. Sreemol sunil, Research scholar (JRF), Rajagiri college of Social Sciences
5. Psw. Dr. Anish KR, Assistant Professor, Rajagiri college of social sciences
6. Psw. Adithya Kumar r, Assistant Professor, St: joseph's college, Pilathra, Kannur
7. Psw. Babu M T, Assistant professor , Don bosco college, Sultan Bathery
8. Psw. Subin George, Assistant Professor, De paul institute of Sc. & Tech., Angamaly
9. Psw. Chinchu mathew, Trainer- life skills (freelance)
10. Maria Shaji, Research scholar, Dept of home Sc. & Centre for research  
St: Theresa's college (Autonomous), Ernakulam
11. Psw. Diana Thankachan, Sr. Prog. Manager, ASAP- community skill park, Mananthavady
12. Rosmia Paulson, Asst. Prof, Dept. of food science nutrition and diabetics  
Dr. MGR educational and resarch institute, Chennai
13. Psw. Varghese c, Asst Prof, Dept. of social work , Mannam memorial NSS college, Konni
14. Psw. Anugigi, Assistant Professor, Department of social work, St. Joseph's college, Devegiri
15. Psw. P S Ragamayi, Trainer- mental health education (freelance)
16. Fr. Berny Varghese of CAP, Director, San Pio psychoogical institute, Chavara
17. Anitta francis, Senior transplant coordinator, Integrated liver care, Aster medicity, Kochi
18. Psw. Elizabeth Alexander, Assistant professor, KE college, Mannanam
19. Psw. Fr. Joye James, Vice president, Indian Social Institute, Bangalore
20. Adv. Raheema AV, Advocate, Perumbavoor
21. Psw. Dr. Jayakumar. P, Assistant professor, Dept. of Soicial Work, MISS, Madurai
22. Psw. Dr. Gurumooti V, Assistant professor, Dept. of Soicial Work, MISS, Madurai
23. Psw. Visakh K Mohan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of social work, KE college, Mannanam
24. Psw. Tiji tom, Asst Prof., Dept of social work, JPM Arts and science college, labakkada
25. Sharon Mary Xavior, Assistant professor, BCM college, Kottayam
26. Br. Joseph charuplakkal., Head of the department, Marian college Kuttikkanam
27. Dr. Jolly K James, Assistant Professor, Department of social work, SB college changanasserry
28. Jomon Jose, Assistant Professor, Cpas B. Ed college, Nedumkandam
29. Dr. Francina P X, Assistant Professor, Loyola college of social sciences, Trivandrum
29. Psw. Sibi George, Consultant , Save the children
30. Psw. Sneha Xavior, ICDS supervisor,
31. Mr. Sreejith R, Clerk , Department of panchayath, Govt of kerala
32. Psw. Boban joseph, Assistant professor, Dept of social work, Marian college Kutikkanam

## UGC NET/JRF Coaching

KAPS idukki Chapter in association with KAPS Skills Academy conducted NET/JRF coaching. Four people got JRF and eight people cleared NET.

### UGC, NET& JRF HOLDERS



**Ms. Arya PD**  
Former Student  
Sree Shankaracharya  
University



**Ms. Ardra SS**  
Former MSW Student  
University Campus  
Karyavattom



**Ms. Sherin Sulaiman**  
Sree Sankaracharya  
University



**Mr. Akhil PS**  
Former Student  
BCM College Kottayam

### UGC, NET HOLDERS



**Ms. Tolly Thomas**  
Asst Professor  
KE College Mannanam



**Mr. Oster Raimond  
William**  
MPhil Scholar  
Central uni. of Tamil Nadu



**Ms. Sreedevi V**  
Assumption College  
Changanacherry



**Mr. Deepak S**  
Program Officer, SARA, ICPS,  
Woman and Child Development  
Dept. Govt. of Kerala.



**Ms. Fathimath Irfana  
Izzath**  
2nd year MSW student  
Central University  
of Kerala



**Ms. Jona Joy**  
Former Student  
Sreedevi College  
Mangalore



**Ms. Reeba Mariyam  
Cherian**  
Former Counselor  
Huda trust Hospital  
Haripad



**Ms. Arsharani P T**  
MPhil Scholar  
IMHANS, Calicut

33. Psw. Dr. A Arun Raj Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work  
PSG College, Coimbatore
34. Ms. Aninna Tom, Assistant Professor, Department of home science, BCM college, Kottayam
35. Ms. Praseetha s, Assistant professor, department of home science, BCM college, Kottayam
36. Mr. Siby Jacob, HSST computer science, Govt HSS, Ayaparambu
37. Mr. Mukil B, PSC trainer, Trivandrum
38. Psw. Shameema Jamal, Assistant Professor, Department of social work  
Ideal college for advanced studies, Thavanur

## One Day One Donor Campaign

One Day One Donor Covid -19 programme was started in coordination with district administration by Kerala Association of Professional social workers(KAPS) Palakkad chapter and district hospital blood bank. The aim of this programme is to solve the deficiency of blood in district blood bank in the scenario of Covid-19. It was inaugurated by Mr. K.Sathesh ,KAPS District President by donating blood .



One Day One Donor programme was conducted with the moral of keeping social distance in the society in this pandemic situation. More than fifty volunteers like professional social workers and employees of various department took part in this programme.

The programme was monitored by Secretary of Vishwas and senior grade assistant public prosecutor Adv.P. Premnath, KAPS district secretary Ms.K.M.Drishya, district hospital blood bank medical officer incharge Dr.Radhika Sukethu, Mr.Prakash Paul, Ms.K. Sangeetha, K.M.Sumeshand and Mr.A. Shreekanth.

At Kottayam, the campaign was inaugurated by Dt. Collector Sri. Sudhir Babu in presence of Dr. Jacob Varghese, DMO, Dr. Ipe Varughese, Mr. James Philip, Mr. Sajo Joy, Mr. Domi John (Dt. Mass media Officer) and Mr. Shibu Thekkemttom (Convenor, Dt. Blood Donors' forum). Mr. Binoy Kattayil George donated blood for inauguration.



Blood has been collected at four hospitals in Kottayam district as part of the campaign. Lot of people joined the campaign. Politicians, cine artists etc. released videos appreciating the initiative.



In Thrissur, the campaign started on 4th May 2020 in association with IMA blood bank and Jubilee Mission Medical College Hospital.

KAPS Thrissur chapter initiated the one day one donor campaign by providing a registration link for the interested people. Lots of people participated in the drive in Thrissur district.



**K A P S**  
KERALA ASSOCIATION OF  
PROFESSIONAL  
SOCIAL WORKERS  
KOTTAYAM  
ANTI COVID19 MISSION



Kottayam Ch. elderly counselling team

## ‘Karam Thodathe Karuthal’

KAPS Kottayam Chapter associated with health department participated in the program ‘KaramThodathe Karuthal’. In this programme, the members of KAPS and social work trainees worked in a multidisciplinary team comprising of doctors, nurses, teachers, social workers. They have engaged the quarantine people through online in WhatsApp and Google meet platform. This programme was highly appreciated by the public.

District mass media officer. Psw.

Domi John initiated this programme, KAPS Kottayam executive members lead the activity.

Thrissur: Considering the immediate need of volunteer support to reduce the spread of this deadly disease KAPS organized a volunteer mobilization drive in **Thrissur district**. Within a very short span of time of one week, about 100 volunteers have registered in the drive qualified in providing psycho social support, tele counselling etc. The list of volunteers has been provided to various government organizations such as social justice department and labour department for support services

Thrissur: In response to the health emergency due to COVID-19 lockdown affecting the lives of millions of people across the world, KAPS Thrissur chapter took initiative to provide care and support for the underprivileged population in the district including destitutes, Urban homeless and guest labourers (Migrant labours) across the district. The volunteers under the aegis of KAPS Thrissur chapter organised many programmes with the objective of need of the hour. The chapter has distributed food for the needy people on the streets regularly. Sri. TN Prathapan, MP Thrissur has offered his support for regular 110 numbers of 2 meals a day through KAPS

### Psyco social status study of Destitutes & Street Vendors at Thrissur

Thrissur chapter took up the responsibility of doing this study as per the request from the officials of National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM) Thrissur Corporation. The study was done among the street vendors and destitute rehabilitated in the relief camps as part of preventive activities of COVID-19. 10 Volunteers from KAPS coordinated the field survey.

Within a one-week time, about 370 destitutes were surveyed in 3 major areas of Thrissur Corporation. submitted a report of Psycho social status survey among street vendors and destitute in Thrissur corporation area to Sri. A.C Moudheen, Minister for Local Self Government on 18th May 2020. One of the major recommendations put forard was to provide proper facility of night shelter and rehabilitation for the street vendors and destitute.



## **KAPS Provides counselling service in relief camps -COVID 19**

Thrissur: Psycho social support was provided by KAPS Thrissur in two relief camps of Thrissur Corporation at Government Model boys school and Model girls school. Psycho social screening was done among 300 inmates among them 150 inmates were given counselling support with the help of 13 social workers. The team provided emotional support, guidance to utilize their leisure time effectively, guideline on the daily routine of the camp and about the safety measures to be adopted to avoid any kind of disease. About 25 inmates were gone through intensive sessions as they needed extra care and support. This programme was organised in association with NULM.

## **COVID AWARENESS PROGRAMME:**

As part of covid awareness creation, KAPS Idukki district chapter in association with Sahyajyothi arts and science college, Kumily initiated writing competitions

- a. Quote making
- b. Poster making

The programmes were coordinated by the student representative Mr. Subin V Sajan and a team under him. Certificates were provided to those who have registered for the programme. Cash prize and certificates were distributed to the winners of the programme.

## **COVID Support Toll free Number**

As part of covid 19 pandemic, the Idukki district chapter in association with Social Justice Department started vaccine registration service for the elderly. The helpline number is 04862-268000.

## **Telecounselling support Service at Kottayam**

A team of 29 Social Workers is providing support service to elderly people. the team had undergone training for the same. The programme is in association with Social Justice department.

## **KAPS Supports Govt. of Kerala in providing counselling services to Migrant Labours**

KAPS selected social workers who has good knowledge in managing Hindi as well as counselling background has been enlisted for providing tele counselling and direct counselling support for migrant labourers across Kerala. This programme was organized in association with District Mental Health Programme and Labour Department in each district. Major support services provided were grievance redressal, networking with Grama Panchayath authorities and like-minded NGOs for regular food supply in camps, general health awareness and qualitative time management.



Mr. Savioukuty Francis with guest labours

## **Book on Involvement /response of Social Workers in Kerala**

The social workers in Kerala have involved in fighting COVID 19 on individual basis, as group of Social Workers, Social work institutions (departments) and NGOs . KAPS is consolidating the activities of Social workers in Kerala during COVID. All the materials will be published in the name of individual/institution. This will be a very good publication for future reference.

Please send a brief report of your activities to 'socialwork.kaps@gmail.com' before 15 sep 2021.



## KAPS Skills Academy- Webinars Organized

Being Professional and being a Social Worker: Experiences from Canada (24.4.2020)  
Dr.P.V Baiju, MacEwan University, Canada



Think, Talk and Act like a Professional - Dr. Joseph Sebastian working President KAPS, Director-faizal & Shebana foundation 29.4.2020



Mrs.Lida Jacob IAS (Retd), Inauguration



Rational Emotive behaviour Therapy  
Dr. Mathew Kana-mala, HoD -SW St.Joseph's College Moolamattom



30.4.2020

Dr. Mary Venus Rajagiri College, Kochi. (Chief guest)

Career Progression Plan for Social Workers- Mr.Issac Thomas (Trainer) 1.5.2020



Dr.Sonny Jose Loyola college, Trivandrum

Academic Writing, Disemination of knowledge through Publications- Dr.Jobi Babu, MISS, Madurai 2.5.2020



Dr.Cherian P Kurian Marian College Kuttikkanam



4 May 2020 Implications of POCSO Act by Fr.Joy James Indian Social Inst., Bangalore



The science of happiness for social workers - Dr. Anish KR Rajagiri college



5.5.2020

Fr.Jose Melottukochoyl, LISSAH college, Kozhikode



Webinar on Enniagram 7 May 2020

Dr.Sreesanth Kariyatt



8-5-2020 Palliative care and Role of social Workers by Dr. M R Rajagopal Chairman, Pallium India.



Impact of COVID on Children 6.5.2020

Job Zacharia UNICEF Chattisgarh (RP)



Dr.Susil Samuel World Bank (Retd)



A journey towards excellence- Reflections of a Social Worker



Dr.Rajendra Baikadi Golda Meir Post Doctoral Fellow The Paul Baerwald School of Social Work, Hebrew University of Jarusalem

Prof. ghandi-Doss, President INPSWA Modrator 9 May 2020



Dr. M Hilaria Soundari Centre for Applied Research Gandhigram Rural Inst. Dindigal 11 May 2020





Role of Social Workers in Antihuman Trafficking. 18 May 2020  
Dr. P. M Nair IPS (Retd)  
Former DGP



Social Work in Prison by (KAPS Waynad Ch) 2 jun 2020  
Prof. Beulah Emmanuel  
Academy of prisons & Correctional Administration. Velloore, Tamilanadu



Construction of child: Social and historical perspectives  
13-6-2020  
Mr. Subair Arikkulam



**Sex and Sexuality**  
(by Palakkad Chapter)  
14 Jun 2020  
Psw. Francis Moothedan  
Department of Chaplaincy, MOSC Medical Mission Kolenchery



Role of Youth in Child Protection (with special focus on Child Trafficking)  
Mr. Sonnikkutty George  
UNICEF 23 Jun 2020



Youth mental health and suicidal expressions on Social Media (by Kannur Ch) 29 May 2020

Dr.Siva Mathiyazhakan  
Associate Director of Strategies and Impact at the SAFELab, Columbia University  
Social Work



Mr. Bibin Chempakkara  
Committed SW, ST Dev Dept  
Orgd. by Waynad Ch

Intervention Among Indigenous communities during COVID19



Mr.Peter Ronalad,  
Director, Nilgiri Waynad Tribal welf. Soc. 6 Jun 2020



Psycho social care for children in conflict with Law: Kerala State Model by Palakkad Ch  
Dr.Kavitha Manoj,  
NIMHANS 30 Jun 2020



Mr.N Jagjeevan, State Consultant Haritha Keralam

25 years of Panchayat Raj and Professional Social Work  
11 Jul 2020



Dr.Jaya Cherian  
Vimala College Thrissur

**Social Work in Health care during Pandemics: Indian and Global Perspectives 20 Jul 2020**

organized in association with All India Association of Medical Social Work Professionals  
Ms. Angela Tonge, Australia, Dr. Anna Lena Redemaker Austerlia  
Dr. Anila Goswami, New Delhi took the sessions Moderator: Dr. Aneesh K R



Industrial Social Work to CSR – A transformation  
Dr.P.Jayakumar  
HoD, SW, MISS, Madurai 22 Jul 2020



Mr. Saseendradas  
Dy. Manager, CSR Cochin Shipyard

## Facilitating Field Work Training during Lock down Multistakeholder Perspectives

29 May 2020

Moderator



Dr. Sonny Jose  
Loyola College



Fr. Joy James  
Bangalore



Fr. Joseph  
Rajagiri College



Prof. Shajahan  
TISS



Dr. Victor Paul  
Loyola College



Dr. Sibi Joseph  
PDS, Permadu



Dr. Lovelina  
Coimbatore



Dr. Asha Rao  
Vimala College



Dr. Mathew  
Indore



Mr. Joby Kondoor  
Trivandrum



Dr. Anitha  
SSUS, Payyanoor



Babu Varghese  
Trivandrum



Ms. Nivya Joseph  
SW trainee  
Assumption college

Drug Abuse: Action Plan for Social Work Intervention 30 Jul 2020

Prospects of Social Work in Hospitals: Reflections from Practice 01 Aug 2020



Mr. Ajesh Joseph  
Marian College  
Kuttikkanam



Dr. Sheena Rajan Philip,  
Bharathamatha college  
(Moderator)



Dr. Eliza Pereira  
Chief Medical Social  
Worker (Retd)  
St. John's Medical  
College, Bangalore

30 Jul  
2020



Dr. Minimol K Jose  
Vice Principal  
Vimala College,  
Thrissur (Moderator)



Psycho Social Support and Mental Health Services during COVID 08 Aug 2020



Dr.K. Sekar  
Prof.& Registrar  
NIMHANS



Mrs. Meena Kuruvilla  
Project Director  
Rajagiri Outreach (Mod)

Psychological First Aid and Social Work Interventions in Disaster by Suhail Said, Experiential Educator 09 Aug 2020



Prof. Ghandi Doss  
President, INPSWA

Social Work and Literature

15 Aug 2020



Dr. Cherian P Kurian  
Vice President, INPSWA



Mr. Aswin Mathew  
Ph.D Scholar

Yoga Tips to overcome COVID-19

22 Aug 2020



Mr. Jijo Kuruvilla  
HoD, Dept. of Social Work, St. Thomas College, Thrissur (Mod)



Mr. John Samuel  
President, Inst. Of Sustainable Dev & Governance, Tvm

SDGs and Protecting Poor – Role of CSOs

12 Sep 2020



Fr.. Sabu P Thomas,  
Vice Principal, Loyola College, Tvm (Mod)

National Education Policy 2020- Implications on Social Work. 05 Sep 2020



Mr. s. Lida Jacob  
IAS (Retd)  
President, KAPS



Mr. s. Jancy James  
(Former VC, MGU – Ktm & CU of Kerala Kgd)



Fr. Joye James  
Indian Soc. inst Bangalore



Prof. Shajahan  
TISS, Mumbai

07 Oct 2020



Dr. Joe Thomas  
International Peace University Pune. Role of Professional (Social Workers) in COVID Management.

Love Life and Live Better- Prospects of Social Work Intervention (Round table discussion on suicide prevention) 10 Sep 2020



Dr. Varghese Punnoose, Head, Dept. of Psychiatry, MC, Ktm



Dr. Tony Sam George, Dean, Social Sc, Christ University, Blore



Dr. Saju M.D,  
Asso. Director  
Rajagiri College, Ekm



Dr. E.C Joby  
Director,  
Meridian College  
Mangalore (Mod)



Dr. Sunil Kumar Yemmen  
SSUS -RC Payyannur (Moderator)  
by KAPS Kannur Ch.



Remembering those who forget-  
World Alzheimers Day 19 Sep 2020



Dr. Sudhir Kumar, ARDSI



Mr. O.M. Suresh Kumar, PSW & Admn, ARDSI



P.M. Mathew Christ Unty., Bangalore

Social Work Practice and Career Opportunities in UK, 03 Oct 2020



Mr. Tomy Sebastian PRO, UK MSWF

In association with UK MSWF



Ms. Anne Sharon Santhigiri College



Adv. Reni K Jacob IJM

Protecting girls and Women in Society 16 Oct 2020



Adv. Reseann Rajan Madras High court

Organised by KAPS Kottayam Ch. and BCM College, Kottayam in assn with IJM. Inaugurated by Mr. G Mahesh, Sub Judge in presence of Prof. Teena Anna Thomas (Principal) and Dr. Anitha KAPS HR& AHT Wing coordinator



Fr. Sojan Pananchickal SDB



Ms. Milan Mandanna



Prof. Vinod C Menon



Dr. Bino Thomas, NIMHANS

What no one tells about marriage before it happens. 26 Sep 2020



Mr. Ramesh Chandran, National College, Trivandrum (Moderator)

6 Oct 2020  
Role of social Worker in Palliative care  
Orgd. by KAPS Trivandrum Ch. and Pallium India



Dr. Sagar T Govt. Mental health centre, Trivandrum

10 Oct 2020



Dr. Sonny Jose Loyola College, Tvm

Mind your Mind  
Orgd by Kaps Tvm ch. and Loyola College, Tvm



Mr. V G Harish Kumar, Sree Sabareesa Clg, Mundakkayam

31 Oct 2020  
PRA in Social work Practice  
Orgd. by KAPS Idikki Ch



Br. Joseph Charuplakkal, Marian Clg Kuttikkanam

Disaster management and DRR with special reference to COVID 19 by KAPS Alapuzha Ch.

**Webinar on immigration**

KAPS Kollam chapter organized a webinar in association with ImmiLaw Immigration Professional corporation, Ottawa, Canada. Ms.Sindumol John (Barrister solicitor Canada, Ms. Sona maria, Ms. Greeshma Menon and Ms. Jenny joeeph took the sessions . 10 Nov 2020



Dr.G Ragesh  
IMHANS



Fr.Jose  
Melettukochyl  
LISSAH Clg



Adv. David Sun-  
derraj, Madras  
High Court

KAPS Kozhikode Ch. in assn with KAPS HR & AHTC wing organized a webinar on 'Human rights protection of vulnerable groups in india' on 5 Dec 2020.



Mr.Binoy V J  
Dt.probation Offi-  
cer Ktm



Sr.Reji  
Jt.Sec,  
KAPS SC Region



Mr.Abeen AO  
Dt.Probn Offr  
Pta



Dr. Jolly k james  
SB College, Chy  
Kottayam (Mod0

28 Nov 2020  
Probation and Social  
Work- Rehabilita-  
tion based on Social  
justice  
Organized by KAPS  
kottayam Ch in assn  
with Social Justice  
dept. ( probation  
office)



Dr.Cherian P  
Kurien, Marian  
College  
Kuttikkanam



Mr.Siju Thomas  
Mar Augustinos  
College  
Ramapuram

Refecting on Social Work- Core competencies organized by KAPS Kottayam District Ch. In- augurated by Dr.Suseel Samuel



Mr. Jijo Joy  
Dpaul Inst  
Angamali



Surviving  
positively  
during trou-  
bled times

Dr.Joseph  
Sebastian  
Working Presi-  
dent KAPS.  
by KAPS Ekm  
ch. 21 Nov 2020



Mrs Gracy  
George  
Counselor

National Council for Social  
Work  
by Prof. Murli Desai  
Former Prof. TISS  
(from National working  
Committee on draft bill)



**Webinar on immigration**

KAPS Trivandrum chapter organized a webinar in as- sociation with ImmiLaw Immigration Professional corpo- ration, Ottawa, Canada. Ms.Sindumol John (Barrister solicitor Canada, Ms. Sona maria, Ms. Greeshma Menon and Ms. Jenny joeeph took the sessions . 06 Dec 2020

Embarking a Journey of  
Transformation in this new  
year' by Mr. Anish Mohan  
27 Dec 2020





Webinar on Professional Social Work in Health Sector. 30 Dec 2020 by Kottayam Ch.



Ms.Elizabeth Moby



Mr. Domi John

Webinar on Right to Health in New Normal Organized in association with AADI Attappady and Lokmanch Attappady. 06 Jan 2021



Dr.Elizabeth Shiny



Dr.Ipe Varughese



Fr.Lenin Antony

Webinar on Child protection - in context of Child marriage Prohibition Act 27 Jan 2021

Organized by KAPS Kottayam chapter in assn with DCPU Kottayam as part of observation International day for Girl child



Adv. Seelakshmi

### KAPS Training Programmes

KAPS Skills academy has conducted many training programmes as part of continue education programmes, faculty Development programme for educators and skill development for social wok trainees. The details as follows:

Training programme was organized on 04 Apr 2020 on Counseling for de addiction in emergency situations. **Mr. Francis Moothedan, MOSC Kolenchery (International Trainer)** was the resource person. Two batches were conducted on the same day; one in the morning hours and one during evening

Training on Psycho Social Intervention during COVID 19 was organized in association with **KAPS Malappuram Chapter** on 22 Apr 2020. **A team from NIMHANS** has served as the resource persons.

Training prohrmmme on providing-psycho-social support to the elderly during COVID 19 on 23 Apr 2020. **Ms. Meera Harikrishnan and Ms. Julie** has taken the session. The programme was organized by KAPS Kottayam Chapter.



Training programme on ‘Teaching with Technology’ was organized on 24 Apr 2020. **Dr. Anish K R** ( KAPS Vice President and Coordinator, KAPS Skills Academy) from RCSS Ernakulam took the session.



Training programme on 'Project Proposal Writing' on 09 Jun 2020 and 11 Jun 2020. **Dr.Ipe Varughese ( Gen. Sec, KAPS) BCM college, Kottayam and Mr.Zaviourkutty Francis (KAPS Kannur ch. Pres.) Don Bosco College, Angadikadavu** has taken the sessions

Training programme on 'Basics of Data Analysis and SPSS' on 16 May 2020. Three sessions were taken. **Dr Anish K R ( KAPS Vice President and Coordinantor, KAPS Skills Academy) from RCSS was the resource person**

Certificate programme on Field work supervision held on 17 Jul 20 and 30 Jul 20. **Prof. Abraham Francis**, James coo University Australia was the resource person

Training programme on 'Project Proposal writing' conducted on 9-10 Feb 2021. **Dr.Ipe Varughese and Mr.Zaviourkutty Francis** were the resource persons.

#### Role of Professional Organizations in Social Work Practice

KAPS Thrissur chapter organized a webinar on the topic on 17 Oct 2020 for the first year BSW/MSW students of all SW colleges in Thrissur district. Mr. Siju kumar (President KAPS Thrissur chapter) welcomed the gathering . Dr. ipe Varughese took the session.

#### KAPS Orientation programme at Trivandrum

KAPS Trivandrum chapter organized orientation programme for first year BSW/MSW students on 24th Feb 2021. Dr.Sonny Jose ( Pres. KAPS southern Region) welcomed the gathering. Mr.Babu Abraham, Pres. KAPS Tvm. chapter presided over. Dr.Ipe Varughese took the orientation session. Ms.Akhila (Pres. KAPS students' assn. and Mr. Sisir Raj (Jt.Sec Tvm Ch) gave feliciatation address. Mr.Ramesh Chandran (National College, Mr.Ashok (White Memorial College) & Dr.Sujeesh (Vigyan College) (HoDs & Exc.Com Members shared activities). The meeting had break out rooms and discussons . Dr. Francina shared vote of thanks.

Certificate programme on 'Child Rights' . 45 Hours programme in June -July 2020 with contents including Rights of children, Child Abuse, Need for child protection-situation analysis, Mechanisms of child protection: Constitutional provisions, ICPS, DCPU, Child line, CWC, JJ Board, Child related legislations (JJ Act, Anti child labour, child marriage, POC-SO Act, RTE) wth input sessions, assignments and assessments. **Dr. Ipe Varughese, Adv. Raji and Fr. Joy James** took the sessions.

Training programme on Academic Writing APA 7th edition conducted on 3,5,7 Aug 20. Br.Joseph Charuplakkal (Marian College, Kuttikkanam) was the resource person

Training programme on 'Project Proposal Writing' II Batch on 09 -10 Feb 2021. **Dr.Ipe Varughese and Mr.Zaviourkutty Francis** has taken the sessions

#### Research Mentoring Programme

KAPS research and Publishing wing has formed a group for supporting those who are interested in publishing articles or doing researches. Dr. Sonny jose, Br. Joseph Charuplakkal, Dr.Jobi Babu, Dr.Ipe Varughese, Dr.Anish K R, Dr.Anil John (RCSS), Mr.Swalih, Ms. Noorjahan and Dr.Peter K Joy are members in the group. its a free programme and any. SW students, Research Scholars or Social Workers from any field can approach KAPS and avail this facility.

#### Orientation Programme at Malappuram

KAPS Malappuram chapter conducted an orientation programme on KAPS followed by session on 'fieldwork practice for social work students' at Priyadarshini Arts & Sc. College, Malappuram on 22 Feb 2021. Muhammed Swalih (Pres. KAPS Malappuram) and Jafer C (Secr. KAPS Malappuram) led the sessions. Mrs Shahra (HoD) presided over.

#### Farewell to Mr. Binoy Kattayil

KAPS bid farewell to its founding member Mr. Binoy Kattayil George in a formal function. Mr. Binoy has migrated to US with family. He is the first member of KAPS and played an active role in the formation, registration and development of KAPS. He was the first General Secretary and also held other positions at district and state levels.

**COLLEGE VISITS AND MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN:** The KAPS Idukki district chapter visited newly established colleges as part of creating an awareness on the importance of a professional body and individual membership.

#### Programme at JPM College Kanchiyar

JPM college Kanchiyar and KAPS Idukki chapter organized orientation programme. Ms. Sanu Scaria HoD welcomed, Fr. Joby CST Bursar of the college presided over and Principal shared felicitation message. Dr. Ipe Varughese inaugurated the Social Work association and took an orientation session and Br. Joseph charuplakkal shared felicitation message.



#### Programme at Mar Sleeva college Murikkassery

Mar Sleeva Arts and Science college Murikkassery and KAPS Idukki chapter organized orientation programme. HoD Fr. Mathew Jossy welcomed, Principal presided over the programme and shared a wonderful message of social work. Dr. Ipe Varughese inaugurated the Social Work association and took an orientation session and Br. Joseph charuplakkal inaugurated the counseling centre. Chinchu Mathew shared ongoing programmes in Idukki chapter.



Carmelgiri college Adimali and KAPS Idukki chapter organized orientation programme. Sr. Ritty HoD welcomed Principal shared presidential address. Dr. Ipe Varughese inaugurated the Social Work association and took an orientation session and Br. Joseph charuplakkal shared felicitation message. Chinchu Mathew shared ongoing programmes in Idukki chapter.



### Online PSC coaching for CDPO examination

KAPS Idukki District chapter in association with KAPS Skills Academy organized an Online PSC Coaching for CDPO and Medical Social Worker aspirants from December 5th 2020 to April 10th 2021. PSW Mrs. Chinchu Mathew was the Co-Ordinator of the programme and the team consist of Dr. Jobi Babu, PSW Jaisemon Antony, PSW Adithya Kumar R, PSW. Sreekutty M J and PSW Tonymon Joseph. Eighty hours theory and twenty hours mock test included in the training programme. The resource team consist of 25 people from social work, sociology, Psychology and Home Science. Zoom, Google drive, Google forms, WhatsApp messenger were the virtual platforms used for the purpose. One hundred and eighty registered participants were the beneficiaries of this coaching programme.

### One month online crash course for UGC NET/JRF (Social work)

KAPS Idukki District chapter in association with KAPS Skills Academy organized an Online month course from 29 Sep 2020. Psw A Abdul Nazar IAS (Dt. Collector, Kollam) had inaugurated the programme, Mrs. Lida Jacob presided over.

## Orientation Programmes to MSW trainees at Barathamatha college

Dept. of Social work, Bharathamatha college, Thrikkakkara organized an orientation programme on Professional associations for social work on 30 Jan 2021. Dr. Ipe Varughese (Gen. Sec KAPS) led the orientation. Programme was organized in association with KAPS Ernakulam chapter

### KAPS invited for NITI AYOOG meeting for discussing Social work Council

NITI AYOOG organized a meeting for discussing the need for a council for Social Workers. KAPS also got the invitation. Dr. Ipe Varughese, Dr. Sonny Jose, Dr. Jobi Babu, Mr. Jijin and Dr. Jose Antony has joined the meeting. 41 social workers from different parts of the country have joined the meeting.

### Tribute to Prof. R R Singh



KAPS paid homage to the veteran Social Work national leader Prof. RR Singh (former Prof. TISS). Prof. RR Singh was a legendary figure for the Indian Social Workers. KAPS organized a condolence meeting in which SW leaders from many parts India and abroad shared their experiences with Prof. R R Singh.



**Ms. Lakshmi**  
**Teacher, Higher Secondary**

**O  
b  
i  
t  
u  
a  
r  
y**

### Tribute to Prof. TSN Pillai



KAPS held a memorial meeting on 12 June 2020 to pay tribute to late Prof. TSN Pillai, a veteran social worker in Kerala who made life long contributions to Social Work profession.

Dr. Cherian P

Kurian, Fr. Joy James,

Fr. Prasanth, Dr. Sonny, Prof. Gandhi Dass, Dr. Mary Venus, Dr. Susheel Samuel, Dr. Gopalakrishnan, Mr. Sreekumar, Dr. Jose Antony and Dr. Amish KR spoke sharing their experiences with sir. Fr. Alex and Dr. Lizy gave their messages which was read out by Ipe Varughese (both of them didn't have network access). Dr. Cherian moderated the session. Mr. Dileep Kumar (Treasurer) was part of the programme. Dr. Joseph Sebastian (Working President) shared vote of thanks. A good number of people from different places (within India and abroad) who had close association with TSN Pillai sir have participated in the meeting. The sharing were rich in content with very good messages to Social workers

Prof. TSN Pillai was honoured by KAPS during the 3rd Kerala Social Work Congress held at Loyola College in 2018.



### ID Cards for KAPS Members

KAPS started issuing Membership Id-cards to all members. This has fulfilled the long pending demand of KAPS members



**Subair Ul Avan received appreciation for successfully completing project**

### KAPS started Bi-Annual Journal

KAPS started bi-annual journal, 'empower-the journal of Social work'. The first issue was published in Oct 2020. The journal gives an opportunity to enhance knowledge in Social Work especially disseminating the indigenous literature.

Chief editor: Dr. Sonny Jose      Asso. Editor; Dr. Ipe Varughese  
Editorial Board: Prof. Ghandi Doss - Bangalore, Dr. Cherian P Kurien, Fr. Dr. Joseph Mannooparambil, Dr. Jose Antony, Prof. Abraham Francis, JCU - Australia, Dr. Baiju Pallicka Vareed, Mac Ewan University, Canada, Dr. Anish K R, Dr. Rajeev S.P, Mrs. Mini A P (SWOTA), Br. Joseph Charuplakkal, Dr. Jobi Babu, Mr. Muhammed Swalih. P.,      Dr. Peter K Joy and Ms. Noorjahan K,

### KAPS Diary 2021 Released

KAPS has published diary 2021 and sent to all those who have booked the diary. Diary has all details of office bearers at all levels and details of SW institutions in Kerala.

This is the second year KAPS has published yearly diary.

## Special Appreciation for Palakkad chapter

9 Dec 2020

Centre for life skills learning and Lions club of Palakkad fort Town together honoured KAPS Palakkad chapter for various initiatives during COVID 19 such as One day One donor programme, Mobile phone challenge, Karuthalavam- Kavalakam counselling programme, and COVID 19 Support programme for SWs Kavalavam. Cine star Mr. devan inaugurated the programme.

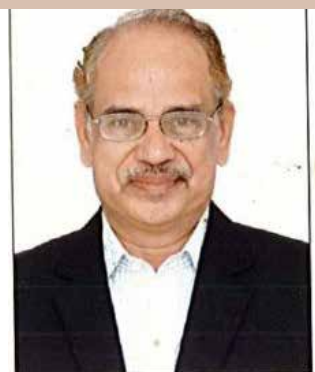


### Ital - became Viral

KAPS Kasargod Chapter and, Padne MAASH health team initiated Zero COVID voters challenge by creating a video and giving maximum publicity for making arrangements for voting of COVID patients

## Congratulations

Sriganesh M V (Secretary General, India Network of Professional social Workers Associations - INPSWA) got elected as the Vice President of IFSW (for Asia Pacific Region).  
Congratulations!



### INPSWA Webinar Programme Convenor

Dr. Ipe Varughese has been nominated as the convenor for the INPSWA webinar programme committee. Webinars have been conducted in turn by the member associations of INPSWA

Social Work institutions- BCM College, Kottayam and BVM College, Cherpunkal has observed Human Rights Day in association with KAPS

**Best Social Work Students Award  
Palakkad Chapter**



Congratulations Sruthi!

Best Social Work student award instituted by KAPS Palakkad chapter has been given to Ms. Sruthi (II MSW, St. Joseph's College, Irinjalaakkuda). The award is based on the excellent activities during COVID 19. Ms. Myunmai Joshi IAS, Collector, Palakkad has distributed the award. Sruthi has worked among the different abled children. She created a platform for sharing and promoting their skills. She had also created a platform for their parents to come together. The work started in Thrissur district has now spread all over Kerala.

**Four Social Workers promoted as HSS Principals.. Congratulations!**



Ms. Mini A. P  
Pres. KAPS Kkd Ch.



Mr. Salim Althaf N K  
GVHSS Mananthavadi  
Wayanad.



Mr. Thomas K J  
GHSS, Adhur  
Kasaragod  
(Retd on 31.3.21)



Mr. Thadayoose P  
St. Joseph's HSS  
Anchuthengu  
Trivandrum

**Tulunadu Literature  
Award for  
Sri. Renjith Oari**



Mr. Renjith Oari  
Secretary  
KAPS Kasaragod Ch.  
(GHSS Balanthode  
Kasaragod)

**Sukumar Azheekode  
Thathwamasi Award  
Ms. Shahina E K**



Ms. Shahina E K  
GHSS Irumbuzhi  
Malappuram Dt.

**Human Rights & Anti Human  
Trafficking Wing in KAPS**

KAPS formed a new wing for Human Rights and Anti Human Trafficking activities.

Human Rights is the core value of Social Work. HR & AHT wing intends to initiate programmes to sensitise people on the Human rights and strengthen them to fight human trafficking which is a worst form of human rights violation.

HR & AHT will wing support formation of HR & AHT clubs and coordinate its activities. The wing also intends to provide support to government departments in all efforts against human trafficking. Dr. Anitha A (SSUS, Payyannur) and Dr. Francina PX (Loyola College, Trivandrum & Secretary KAPS Trivandrum chapter are the state coordinators of the wing.



# One Hand One tree Campaign

KAPS initiated a campaign 'One Hand one tree' in which all members plant a tree and nurture it. the idea was suggested by KAPS Palakkad chapter. Hundreds of people joined in this campaign.



## Monthly meeting by District chapters

As per the suggestion and decision by SMC district chapters have started organizing monthly meetings. The meetings are not highly formal with a discussion on any selected topic for about 20 minutes and casual discussions thereafter.

Ernakulam Ch.organized discussion on 12 Dec 2020 on redefining sustainability through Pokkali farming led by Mr. Akhil Soman

## Finishing School programme by KAPS Skills academy

KAPS Skills Academy organized finishing school certificate programme for the passing out second year MSW students. The sessions included were: Creating a winning resume, Interview and Group discussion skills, Communication skills, Effectiveness at workplace and presentation skills. Mr.Suhail Babu, Mr.Anshad Kolathur, Mr. Brijesh George, Dr. Anish K R and Mr. Abhilash Joseph were the resource persons



## **KAPS associate with UK Malayali Social Work Forum (UKMSWF)**

KAPS held discussions with the office bearers of UK Malayali Social Work Forum and decided to associate in training programmes and conducting webinars. KAPS has conducted few programmes guiding the social workers for migration to UK

## **Orientation Programme for new Office bearers**

KAPS organized a orientation programme on 13 Nov 2020 for the new office bearers of all district chapters about the functioning of KAPS . Dr. Joseph Sebastian, Dr. Ipe Varughese and Mr. Dileep Kumar led the sessions.

## **Online membership Facility for KAPS**

KAPS has started online membership facility. The facility is available in the KAPS website and also availabl as a link. Already there is provision to make payment through state bank -sbicollect.

To use online membership facility: visit: [kaps.org.in/membership](http://kaps.org.in/membership) and select online membership.

Interested people should attach copy of degree certificate and receipt of online payment alongwith application.

## **KAPS Benevolent Activities**

KAPS generate a fund through contributions for benevolent activities. KAPS has supported house consruction of a social worker who lost houuse during flood and also few others for genuine requirements. A separate bank has been operated at CANARA Bank only for this purpose. Contributions are invited (any small amount is also welcome) to A/C No. 0809101072008 A/C Name: KAPS Benevolent fund. Canara Bank KK Road, Kottaym IFSC: CNRB0000809

## **KAPS Annual Genral Body held on 15 Nov 2020**

KAPS annual general body held on 15 Nov 2020 at 10.30 (online). Mrs. Lida jacob presided over. Prof. Ghandidoss President INPSWA inaugurated the event. Dr.Joseph Sebastian delivered key note message. Dr.Ipe Varughse, General Secretary presented annual report (2019-20) and Mr. Dileep Kumar, Treasurer presented annual accounts.

## **Unitum 2020 released**

KAPS Trivandrum chapter and Student association of Loyola college of social sciences has prepared a manuscript titled 'Unitum 2020'. It covers all the activities of KAPS Trivandrum and the social work institutions in Trivandrum during COVID 19. Unitoum was released by Mrs. Lida Jacob president KAPS during the annual general body on 15 Nov 2020

## **KAPS pathanamthitta chapter and ICDS observed Women's day**

KAPS Pathanamthitta chapter an ICDS Elanthoor observed international Women's day. Ms. Sheeba ICDS officer presided over. Ms. re-mya k Thoppil, Secretary KAPS Pathanamthitta chapter welcomed the gthering. Sessions on 'Women and law'wastaken by Adv.Shajil and 'Importance of Gender equlaity in a changing society' was taken by Mr. Shan Ramesh Gopan. ms. vinson (ward member), Lakshmi Mohan (ICDS Supervisor) and Ms. Shanthi (School councilor) gave felicitation messages.

## **KAPS Observed AIDS day**

KAPS observed International AIDS day on 01 Dec 202o with an online session. Mr. Domi John, Dt.Mass Media Officer has taken a session on the theme 'Global solidarity - shared responsibility'. All the participants took a pledge on involving in AIDS programmes

The session has analysed present situation of AIDS in our country and the ongoing programmes in the field.

## KAPS Office Bearers

31 Mar 2021

President: Mrs. Lida Jacob IAS (Rtd)  
Working President: Dr. Joseph Sebastian  
General Secretary: Dr.Ipe Varughese  
Treasurer: Mr.Dileepkumar M B

### Regional Office bearers

#### Southern Region

Vice President: Dr.Sonny Jose Ph.8075085102  
Jt.Secretary: Mr. Babu Abraham Ph.9746745502

#### South Central Region

Vice President: Dr.Anish K R. Ph.9447200702  
Jt.Secretary: Sr.Reji: 9496723422

#### KAPS Advoccy Committee

Coordinators: Mr. Dileepkumar, Mr.Abdul Rahiman

#### KAPS Skills Academy- Co-ordinators:

Dr.Anish K R., Mr.Abhilash Joseph

#### KAPS Research and Publication Wing- Coordinators:

Dr.Sonny Jose, Dr.Jobi Babu, Br.Joseph

#### KAPSTANS Voice News Bulletin

Editor: Dr.Ipe Varughese

#### North Central Region

Vice President: Mr. Abdul Rahiman  
Ph.98097 67879  
Jt.Secretary: Mr.Leo Rajan Ph.8848103374

#### Northern Region

Vice President: Mr. Prasobh Ph.8606350843  
Jt.Secretary: Sr.Merina Ph.9495310491

#### KAPS Benevolent Fund:

Mr.Abdul Rahiman, Dr.Joseph Sebastian

#### KAPS Human Rights and Anti Human Trafficking Wing-Coordinators:

Dr. Anitha A, Dr.Francina

#### Documentation

Dr.Jobi Babu

#### Google Calendar: Mr. Ramanand

#### Empower -The Journal of Social Work

Chief Editor: Dr.Sonny Jose,  
Asso.Editor: Dr.Ipe Varughese

### Governing Body

Dr.Jose Antony (ASSK)

Dr.Rajeev S.P ( ASSK)

Ms. Mini A. P ( SWOTA)

Mr.Renjith K P (SWOTA)

Dr.Seema uthaman (APSWP - Kerala Ch)

Dr.Jobin Mandapam (APSWP-Kerala Ch)

Ms. Akhila V (Kerala SW St.Assn)

Ms. Nivya joseph (Kerala SW St Assn)

Dr. Jayachandran, Trivandrum

Mr.Smijin Dutt, Kollam

Mr.Dileepkumar M B, Pathanamthitta (Treas)

Mr. Sibi George, Alapuzha

Mr. James Philip, Kottayam

Br.Joseph Charuplackal, Idikki

Dr. Mary Venus, Ernakulam

Mr. Alwyn Thrissur

Mr.Abdul Rahiman, Palakkad (VP)

Mr.Muhammed Swalih Malappuram

Mr.Ragesh, Kozhikode

Sr.Merina Wayanad

Mr.Gopi M, Kannur

Dr.Mohan A.K Kasargod

Dr.Suseel Samuel, Kottayam

Dr.Cherian P Kurian, Idikki

Mr. Abhilash Joseph, (Skill Academy)

Fr.Joye James (Former Pres)

Mr.Benoy Kattayil (Former Sec)

Fr.Dr.Prasanth Palakkappillil (Former Pres)

## State Management Council

Mr. Babu Abraham  
Dr. Francina P X.  
Fr. Saji  
Mr. V S Kochukrishna Kurup  
Dr. Sheelamma Vasavan.  
Mr. Viknesh K  
Mr. Santhosh P Thomas  
Mrs. Meera Harikrishnan.  
Mr. Sajo V Joy  
Mr. Prasanth  
Dr. Sibi Joseph  
Mr. Jaisemon Antony.  
Mrs. Nisha George  
Mr. Satheesh K . Ph.  
Ms. Bibi T K  
Mr. Jijin G  
Mrs. Mini A P  
Mrs. Anu Gigi  
Mr. Prasobh  
Mr. Siril Jose  
Ms. Midhuna Ajai  
Ms. Beena Mangat

Mr. Shine Vayala  
Mr. Shan Ramesh Gopan.  
Ms. Remya K Thoppil  
Dr. Peter K Joy  
Dr. Sheena Rajan Philip  
Mr. Jojo Mathew  
Mr. Shano Jose.  
Mr. Siju Kumar A.  
Mr. Abhilash Chandran  
Rismiya R I  
Mr. Swalih P  
Mr. Jahfar C.  
Mr. Saifulla. C  
Mr. Sabeer V.  
Mr. Xaviourkutty Francis  
Ms. Theertha A  
Mr. Aneesh P.  
Mr. Ratheesh K  
Mr. Renjith K P  
Mr. Thankachen MM.

### ***Congratulations and Best wishes!***

Ph D Awarded



Dr. Sojin P Varghese  
Loyola College, Tvm  
University of Kerala



Dr. Sherin Yohannan  
NIMHANS  
Bangalore



Dr. Aneesh M S  
Central University  
of Kerala Kasargod



Fr. Dr. Joseph Mathai  
Christ (Deemed to be)  
University, Bengaluru

KAPSstans Voice. Vol V  
Published by KAPS executive committee  
Regd. Office: Dept. of Social Work  
BCM College, Kottayam, Kerala  
for online Private circulation only  
contact at: kapsindia1@gmail.com  
0481-2582171, 9446448215

Editor: Dr. Ipe Varughese  
Editorial Members: Dr. Sonny Jose  
Mr. Dileep Kumar    Br. Joseph  
Dr. Anish K R        Mr. Renjith K P  
Mr. Kochukrishnakurup  
Mr. Gopi M,    Mr. Abdul Rahiman