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From the Director's Desk.....

The newsletter of an institution is an indicator of work done in the specified period. CMDR is successfully heralding the events organised, participated in, and collaborations established with premier institutions at regular intervals.

The Team CMDR was occupied with participation in various activities viz., Seminars, Workshops, Conferences, and delivering invited lectures in various institutions. Publications are the outputs of faculty efforts in taking up research and development activities.

The three months observed a series of meetings to ensure qualitative and quantitative changes in the institution. The meeting of the Governing Council was held in the premises of IIM, Nagpur, which gave an opportunity to have exposure to the institution of eminence. My sincere thanks to the Director, IIM, Nagpur for extending permission to organise the meeting in their premises. A couple of meetings of the Review Committee constituted for the purpose of promotion of non-academic staff, are working to place the issues associated with the promotion of staff in order. The subject expert committee constituted to decide upon the cluster of subjects for appointment of Seven vacant faculty positions of CMDR has come out with recommendations, which are submitted to Govt of Karnataka and ICSSR for further necessary action.

The building committee will decide on restructuring the existing space for accommodating the research scholars, staff, and faculty with state-of-the-art facilities. As CMDR has already completed the first round of implementation of the Career Advancement Scheme for faculty, the next round of CAS is waiting for the approval of ICSSR. The steps will be initiated soon to complete the process of CAS for faculty members. The governing council has constituted an Internal Complaint Committee to address the issues pertaining to faculty, non-academic staff, and research scholars on a priority basis.

The renovation of the Library and rooftop of the CMDR building are at the completion stage. The forthcoming events of the institute like workshops on qualitative data analysis using software, organising a popular lecture series on pertinent issues, organising national and regional seminars, and taking up studies funded by various institutions are going on continuously.

The proceedings of the national seminar on Indian Knowledge Systems: Past Present and Future have been published, the annual report is also in the public domain now. By the year-end CMDR will come out with a research journal of Social Sciences.

I place on record sincere thanks and gratitude to the guiding force of MCDR i.e. the Governing Council for their constant and continued support to the endeavors of the faculty and staff of CMDR

Prof. Basavaprabhu Jirli
Director, CMDR



MOU with Fifth State Finance Commission (5th SFC), Government of Karnataka to carry out the research study on Financial Devolution to the PRIs in Karnataka, at SFC Office Bengaluru, at the 5th State Finance Commission office, Khanija Bhavan, Bengaluru on 5th September 2024. Dr. C Narayanaswamy, Hon'ble Chairman, 5th SFC; Sri. Mohamed Sanaulla IAS(Retd), Hon'ble Member, 5th SFC; Sri. R S Phonde, Controller (Retd), Hon'ble Member, 5th SFC; Prof. N Sivanna, Retd. Professor, ISEC; Sri V T Hungund Registrar, CMDR, Dharwad; Dr. S V Hanagodimath, Dr. N Billava, Dr. Durgesh Pujari and others were present on the occasions

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Ongoing Project

- ❖ Financial Devolution to the Panchayat Raj Institutions (PRIs) in Karnataka Funded by 5th State Finance Commission, GoK, Bengaluru

PI: S.V Hanagodimath and Narayana Billava

Participation in Workshops / Seminars/Meetings

Prof. Basavaprabhu Jirli

- ❖ Delivered First Prof. B. K. Tulasimala Endowment Lecture “Secondary agriculture: the way and means to achieve sustainability in agriculture” on 30th August 2024, Department of Economic Studies, Karnataka State Akkamahadevi Women’s University, Vijayapura.



- ❖ Conducted virtual session on “Overview of Indian Agriculture: Issues and Challenges” for the shortlisted start-ups under COHORT-7, RKVY-RAFTAAR Agri-Business Incubator, IIT (BHU) Varanasi on 17th September 2024
- ❖ Conducted virtual session on “e-Mediated Extension Services: Roles and Responsibilities” for the shortlisted start-ups under COHORT-7, RKVY-RAFTAAR Agri-Business Incubator, IIT (BHU) Varanasi 18th September 2024

- ❖ Delivered a lecture on 26th September 2024 entitled “Designing Incentive Structures and Motivational Programs for FPOs” in National Level Collaborative Online Training on “Management and Best Practices of Farmers Producer Organizations (FPOs)/ Farmers Producer Companies (FPCs)”, 24th to 28th September 2024 organized by National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management, Hyderabad and University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot, Karnataka.



- ❖ Delivered an invited lecture on "Contributions of Kannadigas staying outside Karnataka in different fields", in 9th All India out state Kannada organisations Mahamela, Adavani, Andhrapradesh. on 24th August 2024.
- ❖ Delivered a lecture on 28th September 2024 entitled “Strategies for Effective Member Mobilization and Retention” in National Level Collaborative Online Training on “Management and Best Practices of Farmers Producer Organizations (FPOs)/ Farmers Producer Companies (FPCs)”, 24th to 28th September 2024 organized by National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management, Hyderabad and University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot, Karnataka.

Prof. Nayanatara S. Nayak

- ❖ Participated in the virtual Consultative Meeting organised by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt of India to discuss the Prohibition of Electronic Cigarettes Act (PECA), 2019 on 10th July 2024.
- ❖ Participated in IWA webinar on “Working towards becoming a Utility of the Future – Case Study: The Gambia” on 24th September 2024
- ❖ Participated virtually in the launch of Tobacco-Free Youth Campaign 2.0. organised by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt of India on 24th September 2024
- ❖ Participated in Ph.D. progress evaluation meeting at Kannada University, Hampi on 30th September 2024.

Participation in Workshops / Seminars/Meetings

Dr. T. Brahmanandum

- ❖ Attended online workshop organised by Dr B. R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre, Mysore University on 24th August 2024 "Reservation and Categorisation";
- ❖ Indian Diaspora Washington DC Metro Present: Ambedkar Studies; between History, Biography and Theory by Prof. Anupama Rao. 7th September 2024 at 8:30 pm.
- ❖ Participated in Panel Discussion on 'Understanding Touchable and Untouchable Scheduled Castes (SCs)' an online discussion on 7th September 2024 by Satyashodhak Collective Page
- ❖ Participated Lecture and Discussion (online) on "Future of Bahujan Politics in South India: Issues, Challenges and Direction by M.GOPINATH (Ambedkar Thinker and Bahujan Leader) on 14th September 2024.
- ❖ Delivered Two Lectures at Bangalore University, Academic Staff College on 27th Sept., 2024. on 1)"Education status of Schedule Tribes in India" and 2) A Comparative analysis between Scheduled Tribes (STs) with non-STs in health and nutritional indicators status and Development.

Dr. Arunkumar R. Kulkarni

- ❖ Attended the Webinar on "Kautilya and Economics" held on the online platform hosted by EGROW on 7th June, 2024
- ❖ Attended an online training session to introduce you to the Indiastat database organised by NASSDOC on 9th August, 2024 at 11:00am.
- ❖ Attended the programme on Navigating the pathways of publishing in High-quality journals organised by NASSDOC and ELSEVIER on 30th August, 2024 from 11am – 12pm (IST)
- ❖ Attended an online training session on Statcraft database on 6th September, 2024 at 10:30am organised by NASSDOC.
- ❖ Attended a meeting of the Research Ethics Advisory Committee (REAC) of CMDR on 13th September 2024 in the seminar hall of the Centre.

Dr. Jai Prabhakar SC

- ❖ Delivered two lectures on "Research Designs in Social Sciences- I and II" in a technical session of the Five-day Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on 'Research Methodology', Organised by Research and Development Cell in association with the Department of PG Studies and Research in Psychology and Chemistry, SDM College (Autonomous), Ujire, Karnataka on 21st August, 2024.

Dr. S V Hanagodimath

- ❖ Invited as a Resource Person and delivered lecture on the topic "Research Methodology" during Induction Training Program (2017 Batch) offline for Assistant Professors of various subjects held on 27th August, 2024, by Karnataka State Higher Education Academy, Dharwad.
- ❖ Invited as a Special Invitees to the State Education Policy Commission Meetings on 11 & 12 September 2024, at Rashtrakavi Kuvempug Conference Hall of the Karnataka State Higher Education Council, Bengaluru.



- ❖ Invited by Principal Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Government of Karnataka, to conduct training to the field investigators on the project titled "Impact Assessment of SCSP/TSP." study entrusted to the Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bengaluru from 6th August to 12th August 2024.
- ❖ Participated in a Project Discussion Meeting on "Financial Devolution to the PRIs in Karnataka", held at the 5th State Finance Commission office, Khanija Bhavan, Bengaluru on 5th September 2024.



- ❖ Attended the Meeting of the Members of the Task Force on (a) Structure of Educational Institutions, (b) Regional disparities in Educational Attainment, Dropout, Retention and Transitions at State, Region and District Level and (c) Enrolment by Subjects and Disciplines in Higher Education and Problems of Inter-group Inequality in Enrolment Rate, Dropout, Retention, Transition Rate across Income Group, Women, Social Groups namely ST/SC/OBC/NT/DNT /Physically Challenged in Higher Education on 15th July 2024 held at Rashtrakavi Kuvempug Conference Hall of the Karnataka State Higher Education Council, Bengaluru.
- ❖ Invited to the meeting on evaluation of SCSP-TSP Schemes in Bellary district on 10th September, 2024.

Participation in Workshops / Seminars/Meetings

- ❖ Invited as a Resource Person to talk on “World Population Day”, on the occasion of World Population Day, organised by SJMVS Arts and Commerce College for Women, JC Nagar, Hubballi on 12th July, 2024.



Dr. Narayan Billava

- ❖ Participated in a Project Discussion Meeting on “Financial Devolution to the PRIs in Karnataka”, held at the 5th State Finance Commission office, Khanija Bhavan, Bengaluru on 5th September 2024.



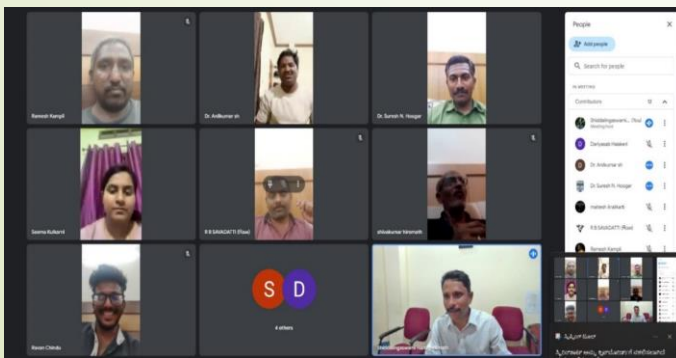
- ❖ Invited to the meeting on evaluation of SCSP-TSP Schemes in Vijayapura district on 24th September, 2024.



- ❖ Attended a webinar on introducing Fair Water Action Fund held on 25th July 2024 through [ZOOM](#), organized by Water Witness Organization, UK.

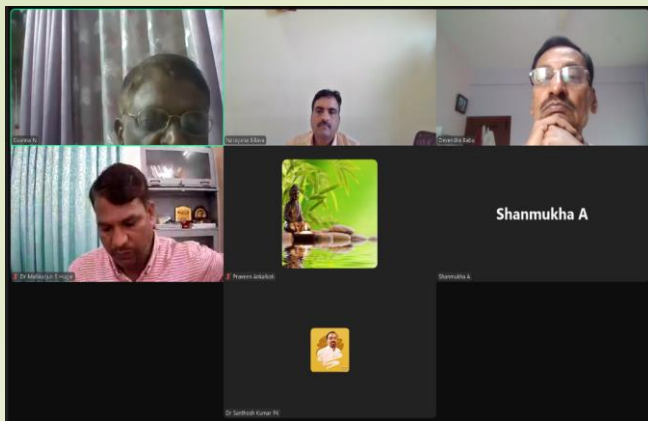


- ❖ Invited to the meeting on evaluation of SCSP-TSP Schemes in Haveri district on Officials meeting on 25th September, 2024.

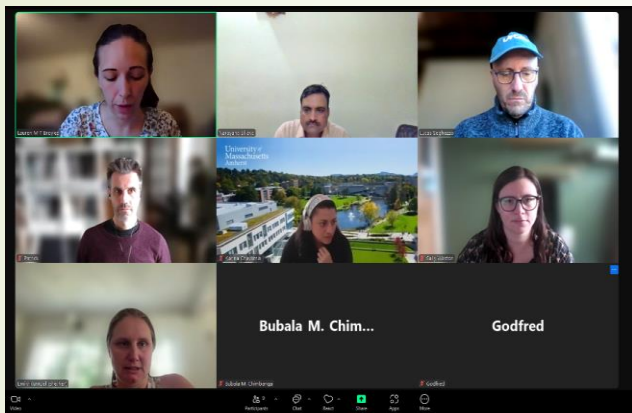


- ❖ Trained the field investigators for project titled "Impact Assessment of SCSP/TSP." The Social Welfare Department of the Government of Karnataka entrusted to the Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bengaluru (online) on 23rd September, 2024.

- ❖ Attended an online meeting of the Board of study for the B.A. Honors in Rural Development and Governance to review and approve the syllabus for the Fifth and Sixth Semester, the meeting was organized by Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj University, Gadag on 7th July, 2024.



- ❖ Attended an online webcast “Partnerships for Enhanced Engagement in Research (PEER) Program Impact Forum” on 23rd September, 2024, Organized by USAID, Washington, DC.



Other Activities

Dr. Jai Prabhakar SC

- ❖ Member, Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) for Prevention and Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women employees, CMDR, Dharwad.
- ❖ Editor: Annual Report of CMDR 2023-24

Dr. S V Hanagodimath

- ❖ Nominated as a Faculty Representative on Governing Council of CMDR for the period one year i.e., for the year 2024-25.

Dr. Narayan Billava

- ❖ Reviewed a manuscript on “Factors Influencing Under-Education in Cameroon: A Comprehensive Analysis”, for the *African Educational Research Journal*, on 9-8-2024.

Promotion of Faculty

The following faculty members were promoted under CAS

- ❖ Dr. A. R Kulkarni, Assistant Professor from stage 2 to stage 3
- ❖ Dr. Jai Prabhakar SC, Assistant Professor from stage 2 to stage 3
- ❖ Dr. S. V. Hangodimath, Assistant Professor from stage 1 to stage 2

Research Articles in Journals

- ❖ Narayana Billava, Jai Prabhakar S.C. & Nayanatara S. Nayak (2024) “Empowerment through reservation: Experience of scheduled tribe gram panchayat members in Karnataka”, *Mahila Pratishta*, Vol 9 (4): 11-20 [ISSN 2454-7891].
- ❖ Basavaraj and Kulkarni A R (July, 2024). An Analysis of Trends and Patterns of Area, Production, and Yield of Millets in India. *International Journal of Innovative Research In Multidisciplinary Education*, Vol-3, Issue-7, Page No. 1215 – 1218, ISSN (print): 2833-4515, ISSN (online): 2833-4531, Impact factor- 5.138
- ❖ Basavaraj and Kulkarni A R (July, 2024). An Analysis of Trends and Patterns of Area, Production, and Yield of Millets in Karnataka. *International Journal of Scientific Development and Research (IJSDR)*. Volume 9 Issue 7, Pp-350-355 ISSN: 2455-2631
- ❖ Narayana Billava and Hanagodimath S.V (2024) The Financial Scenario of Gram Panchayats in North Karnataka: An Empirical Analysis, *Aarthika Charche Fiscal Policy institute, GOK, Bengaluru*, 9 (1): 110-123, Jan-June, 2024 (Special Issues).
- ❖ Narayana Billava, V.S. Katakati, Neelamma R K, and, Priya Hegde (2024), Implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) Scheme in Karnataka: *Issues of Management and Sustainability, Local Government Quarterly*, XCIV-2:45-58.
- ❖ Mantur Deepa and Hanagodimath S V (2024) “Mapping Regional Disparities in Karnataka: A Comprehensive Composite Development Index Analysis”, *EPRA International Journal of Economic Growth and Environmental Issues*, Vol 12 Issue 8, ISSN: 2321-6247, <https://eprajournals.com/IJRV/article/13869>
- ❖ Ashok Patil, Jai Prabhakar S. C. and Siddappa Mali (2024); Gory and Ghoulis Practice among Hakkipikki Tribal Community of Karnataka: Offering Animals to the Gods and Spirits. *Indian Journal of Research in Anthropology*, 10(1):23-28, [ISSN: 2454-9118] DOI : <http://dx.doi.org/10.21088/ijra.2454.9118.10124.3>

Book

- ❖ Proceedings of National Seminar on 'Indian Knowledge Systems : Past-Present-Future' Edited by Dr. Jai Prabhakar SC, ISBN 978-81-948826-7-1

Monograph

Educational policy evaluation Some basic considerations in the discourse, by Prof. P. R. Pancharam, CMDR Monograph No-110, ISBN No-978-81-948826-9-5, August - 2024

A Two Day National Seminar on Indian Knowledge System (IKS)

A Two-Day National Seminar was held on 27th and 28th January 2024 in collaboration with Centre for Multi-disciplinary Development Research (CMDR), Dr.M.I.Savadatti Vidyavardhaka Samsthe (R), and University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Dharwad, at UAS Dharwad.

The two-day national seminar focused on: 1. IKS and Welfare State (Social Science) a. IKS-based approaches in Public Administration and Governance b. IKS-based approaches in Commerce, Management, Marketing and Economy c. Political, Economic, Sociological thoughts and IKS d. Strategies for mainstreaming IKS in the Modern education system e. Sustainable Development Goals and Indian Knowledge Systems 2. IKS and Nature-Culture-Agriculture a. Traditional Agriculture Practices b. Ethno Veterinary Medicine c. Traditional crop management practices d. Traditional food processing practices. e. Sustainable Agriculture and Food Preservation f. Traditional Indian Practices of Water and Environmental Conservation 3. IKS and Science & Technology a. Mathematics, Metallurgy, Astronomy and Physical Sciences Indian Knowledge System : Past, Present, Future 8 4. IKS and Health-Wellbeing a. Application of Indian Knowledge Traditions in Everyday Life b. Health, Wellness, and Psychology

Key Recommendation of IKS Seminar

- ❖ Research and Development institutions should recognize the relevance of Indian Knowledge Systems in the present-day context.
- ❖ Systematic efforts should be initiated to conduct research and establish the science behind Indian practices followed by various stakeholders.
- ❖ The wisdom of the so-called illiterate women folk of India should be brought into the books with relevant theories and models.
- ❖ Understanding and respecting the location-specific and situation-specific practices and comparing and contrasting them with the current practices to overcome the problems faced by human society.
- ❖ Understanding and respecting the relationship between nature-culture and Indian agriculture, which has the potential to address the serious problems being faced by human society in general and the farming community in particular.
- ❖ Indian traditional wisdom in the areas of specializations viz., Mathematics, Astronomy, Astrophysics, Aeronautics, Physics, Geology, Chemistry etc should be documented and established with contemporary scientific research outputs.
- ❖ Maintaining the originality of science in the native language an effort should be made to translate it in various Indian and foreign languages.
- ❖ The roots of present-day research outputs should be traced with ancient scripts with the support of the systematic literature review.
- ❖ A systematic effort should be made by the institutions to cullout the scientific analogy of the ancient stories/incidents/anecdotes/epics (largely presented as mythological stories in today's context).

- ❖ Content translation and content development in the regional languages/dialects should be the priority of research and development institutions.
- ❖ Science and technology institutions must analyse the relevance and context of contents of ancient Indian literature in the background of developments in the areas of science and technology.
- ❖ The deviations observed in the cultural practices due to the invasion of technology in every aspect of human life, studies should be conducted on how reverting to the traditional practices can solve the burning issues and help in re-establishing the balance in society.
- ❖ The future technologies should be based on past technological inventions and the current generation should be a connecting link between the past and future.
- ❖ Too much technological invasion into the life of human beings disturbs the social and psychological health of individuals and society. Hence there is a need to develop a ready reckoner for technological intervention in the life of an individual and society.
- ❖ Many parts of the world have recognized the relevance of texts written thousands of years ago. There is a need to institutionalise the recognition in an organized manner.

Projects / Seminars / Lectures Approved by REAC

Dr. T. Brahmamnam

- ❖ Organization of National Seminar on, “National Seminar on Programmes and Policies for the Development of Schedule Tribes : Issues, Challenges and Strategies.”

Dr. Jai Prabhakar SC.

- ❖ Lecture Series on, “Current and Pertinent Issues Influencing the Society.” jointly with Prof. Basavaprabhu Jirli
- ❖ Strategies for Reforms in Higher Education : A Study of Kalyana Karnataka Region jointly with Dr. H. S. Ashok, Dr. Gowrish and M.S. Dharani S (CESS Bengaluru)

Dr. S. V. Hangodimath

- ❖ Evaluating the Impact of Karnataka's Direct and Indirect Cash Assistance Schemes on Beneficiaries and State Finance, jointly with Prof. S. T. Bagalkoti, Registrar, Haveri University, Haveri
- ❖ Regional Seminars
- ❖ Research Methodology / Capacity Building Programme.

Dr. Narayan Billava

- ❖ The Post – Term Experience in Panchayat Bodies : A Case Study of SC and ST Representatives of Gram Panchayats in Karnataka.
- ❖ Strengthening of Decentralized Planning in Karnataka : A Regional Analysis

Dr. Dundappa Y Badlakkannavar

- ❖ Challenges in Higher Education : SC and ST Girls Students in North Karnataka
- ❖ A Study on Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana : (PMMVY) on Women's Empowerment in Karnataka.

Dr. Prateek Mali

- ❖ Proposal for the publication of Reference Book entitle “Educational Psychology” – Kannada and Hindi version

Ph.D. Programme Coordinator

- ❖ Dr. Arunkumar R. Kulkarni, Assistant Professor, has taken charge as the Ph.D. Programme Coordinator at CMDR. from May, 2024. Dr. S. V. Hangodimath was the Coordinator from August, 2017 to April, 2024.

Students' Corner

Ph.D. Awards

- Smt. Nayana Patil has been awarded Ph. D for the study on, “Storage and Warehousing of Agricultural Product in Karnataka: Accessibility and Utilisation” From Karnatak University, Dharwad on 12th September 2024, under the guidance of Dr. Arunkumar R Kulkarni.
- Mr.Ashok Patil has been awarded Ph. D for the study on “ A Bio-Cultural study on Endosulfan Pesticide Affected Victims of Karnataka” from Karnatak University, Dharwad 15th July 2024, under the guidance of Dr.Jai Prabhkar SC.
- ❖ Mr. Parusharam Kavadiatti has been awarded Ph.D for the study on “Financing and Growth of Primary Education in Kalyan Karnataka Region” From Karnatak University, Dharwad on 19th September 2024. under the guidance of Prof. V. B. Annigeri.
- ❖ Asma Jubin Makandaer has been awarded Ph.D for the study on “Education Accounts : An Investigation of Flow of Funds to Higher Education in Karnataka”. From Karnatak University, Dharwad on 14th September 2024, under the guidance of Prof. V. B. Annigeri.



Ph.D. Submission

- Ms. Pooja R. Kulkarni presented her Pre-submission colloquium on her PhD topic titled "Adaptation, Variation and Personal Identification among Mangoloid population of Mundagod, Karnataka: An Anthropological Study" under the guidance of Dr. Jai Prabhakar SC. on 25th September, 2024 at Department of Anthropology, Karnatak University, Dharwad



- ❖ CMDR Scholars at Karnatak University Dharwad after receiving Ph.D Degree at conovocation.

Meetings

- ❖ The Finance Committee of CMDR was held on July 9, 2024 at Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Nagpur.
- ❖ The Governing Council Meeting of CMDR was held on July 9, 2024 at Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Nagpur.



- ❖ The General Body Meeting of CMDR was held on July 10, 2024 at Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Nagpur.
- ❖ IQAC Meeting (online) of CMDR was held under the Chairmanship of Prof. Umesh Ashok Kadam on September 2, 2024 at CMDR, Dharwad



- ❖ REAC Meeting of CMDR was held under the Chairmanship of Prof. Sushma Yadav in hybrid mode on September 13, 2024 at CMDR, Dharwad. All the faculty members presented their research activities and proposed plan of action for the year 2024-25.

Forthcoming Events

- ❖ Workshop on Atlas.ti for Qualitative Data Analysis – 21 to 23 November 2024.
- ❖ Organization of Lectures/Workshops/Orientation Courses to be organized under CMDR's Canara Bank Chair
- ❖ Organization of National Seminar "National Seminar on Programmes and Policies for the Development of Schedule Tribes : Issues, Challenges and Strategies."
- ❖ "Lecture Series on Current and Pertinent Issues Influencing the Society."
- ❖ Research Methodology / Capacity Building Programme.
- ❖ Regional Seminars

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