

GOKHALE INSTITUTE OF POLITICS AND ECONOMICS

(Deemed to be University Under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956)

PUNE 411 004

Telephones: 91(020)25650287, 25654288, 25654289, 25675008

E-Mail : gipe@vsnl.com

Fax No. : 91(020) 25652579

Telegram: GOKHALINST(DG)

INTRODUCTION

The Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics is one of the oldest research and training institutes in economics in the country. It was founded on the 6th of June 1930 with an endowment offered to the Servants of India Society by the late Rao Bahadur R. R. Kale, Member of Legislative Council from Satara. The Servants of India Society, founded by the late Shri Gopal Krishna Gokhale, are the Trustees of the Institute. The Institute is registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, and the Bombay Public Trusts Act, 1950.

The object of the Institute is to conduct research into the economic and political problems of India and to train research workers in these subjects. Under the pioneering leadership of the late Professor D.R.Gadgil, the first Director of the Institute, the latter set standards for high quality research, teaching and training in a number of branches of economics.

Keeping in view the eminence of the faculty, the contribution the Institute has made in teaching, training and research in economics, the availability of physical infrastructure, and the potential of the Institute, the Government of India, on the advice of the University Grants Commission, declared the Institute as deemed to be a university from May 9, 1993, the birthday of the late Shri Gopal Krishna Gokhale after whom the Institute is named. The Institute started functioning as deemed to be a University with effect from that day. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council processed its exercise in the Institute and on with effect from January 08, 2004 accredited it with A+ grade (score 90-95%) for a period of five years.

Research

The main thrust areas of the Institute, developed over the years through financial assistance from various sources, are agricultural economics and rural development, population studies, input-output studies for planning and development, microeconomics, macroeconomics, monetary economics and finance, public economics, international economics and the study of economics of East European countries.

Various ministries and public funding agencies including the Government of Maharashtra and private foundations like the Sir Dorabjee Tata Trust financed the research activities of the Institute in the early years. Subsequently, in 1954, the Union Ministry of Food and Agriculture established and have supported since then the Agro-Economic Research Centre of the Institute. During the early fifties, the Rockefeller Foundation made a substantial grant, spread over years, for the conduct of a research programme in rural demography. By the time this grant came to an end, the Union Ministry of Health, which had given grants for conducting some specific demographic studies in 1954-57, decided in 1964 to strengthen and expand the research work on population by financing on a continuing basis a Population Research Centre as an integral part of the Institute. The Ford Foundation gave a very generous financial assistance for more than a decade beginning with the year 1956. Later on, the Ford Foundation, in co-operation with the Planning Commission, provided a separate grant for research and training in the areas of planning and development, mainly devoted to input-output studies. The Planning Commission has also given an endowment grant to the Institute to establish a Chair and Unit at the Institute for promoting teaching, research and informed debate on all issues relating to Planning and Development. The above-mentioned Chair is named as 'Professor D. R. Gadgil Chair in Planning and Development'.

In 1962, the University Grants Commission recognised the Institute as a Centre of Advanced Study in Agricultural Economics to start with and later, in 1964, as a Centre of Advanced Study in Economics. In 1977, the UGC, as a part of its Area Studies Programme, established at the Institute a Centre of Study of Economics of East European Countries. In the same year, the Reserve Bank of India instituted a Chair in Finance at the Institute. In 1989, the Ford Foundation gave a generous endowment grant to the Institute to fund a Chair and to establish a section in international economics to carry out research activities in international economics and related subjects. The Ford Foundation grant also included support for the post of a Librarian and for acquisition of books and journals.

Teaching

The Institute, right from its inception, was affiliated to the University of Bombay, conducted the M.A. Programme in economics and supervised the work of students working for research degrees of that University. In 1949, with the establishment of the University of Poona, the Institute became a constituent recognised institute of the University of Poona. Till a few years ago, the Institute was functioning, for all academic purposes, as the Department of Economics of that University. With the decision of the University of Poona to establish a separate department of economics at its campus, the Institute, as Centre of Advanced Study in Economics, was granted effective autonomy by the University of Poona in 1986 in designing courses and in teaching and examination of M.A. courses in economics. As stated earlier, the Institute has been granted by the Government of India the status of deemed to be a University with effect from May 9, 1993. With the grant of this status, the Institute now awards its own M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in economics. After acquiring the status of deemed to be a University, the syllabi of the courses offered at the Institute were thoroughly revised on the basis of the recommendations of a committee constituted for that purpose. The courses in the M. A. Programme of the Institute are being regularly revised and updated on the recommendations of the Board of Studies and the Academic Council of the Institute.

Training

In April 1989, the University Grants Commission selected the Institute and extended assistance to it for conducting refresher courses in economics for in-service university and college teachers from the western region of the country. After the grant of deemed to be a university status to the Institute in 1993, the UGC extended the catchment area for the refresher courses to the entire country for the Institute in 1994. The Institute has been regularly conducting UGC - sponsored refresher courses for university and college teachers in economics since the inception of this scheme by the UGC.

Library

The Institute shares the Servants of India Society's Dhananjayrao Gadgil Library and has been mainly responsible for building up its collection during the last seven decades. It is considered to be one of the foremost specialized libraries in India in the field of economics and other related social sciences. The library now possesses 268496 documents and receives 401 journals on subscription, exchange, gift and depository basis. The non-print section of the library possess sizeable number of microfilms and microfiches and is equipped with microfilming camera and microfilm and microfiche readers. Two fortnightly documentation lists, viz., fortnightly list of articles on India and Fortnightly list of additions are taken out in mimeograph form by the Library. A Monthly Current Awareness Bulletin is also brought out by the Library in mimeograph form. The Library has recently completed its automation programme and is having its WebOPAC linked to Institute website.

Computer Section

In the Computer Section, the facilities for data processing are available to researchers. The Institute offers consultancy and guidance services in data processing in collaboration with the Indian Council of Social Science Research. The Computer Section is well-equipped with hardware and software to support the research, teaching and training programmes in the Institute. The Institute has now made computers available to all of the faculty members in their own offices. A one-year Certificate Course on Computer Applications for Economic Analysis has been introduced for the past and present M.A. and Ph.D. students of the Institute to complement the training in economics received by them at the Institute.

Publications

The Institute has been regularly publishing a quarterly journal of economics in English, *Artha Vijnana*, since March 1959. This journal publishes results of research work carried out in the Institute as well as works of scholars from outside the Institute after a rigorous refereeing process. The Institute also publishes research works in the form of books and mimeograph series. The R.B.R.R. Kale Memorial Lecture, organised by the Institute every year on the occasion of the Founder's Day, is published under the Kale Memorial Lecture Series.

ANNUAL REPORT 2007-2008

The Institute has pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of its activities for the year 2007-2008.

I) List of Research Studies (sponsored) Completed during the Year 2007-2008:

1. “Study for Estimation of Seed, Feed and Waste Ratios for Major Foodgrains in Maharashtra”, July 2007, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, and undertaken by Deepak Shah.
2. “External Evaluation of the Continuing Education Programme in Mysore”, June 2007, sponsored by Commissionerate of Mass Education, Govt. of Karnataka, and undertaken by Jayanti Kajale and Vini Sivanandan.

II) Research Studies/Reports in Progress:

1. “The Demographic Impact of India’s 1947 Partition, with special reference to Eastern India”, sponsored by Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi, and undertaken by Arup Maharatna.
2. “The Demography of Road/Traffic Accidents in India”, sponsored by Population Research Centre, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, and undertaken by Arup Maharatna.
3. “The Demography of Seasonal Migration in Maharashtra”, Population Research Centre, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, and undertaken by Arup Maharatna.
4. “Crop Risk Modelling towards Vulnerability Reduction in Drought Prone Regims of Karnataka using Satellite Imagery” sponsored by Indian Space Research Organisation, undertaken by Rajas Parchure.
5. “The Integration of Monetary and Value Theory”, undertaken by Rajas Parchure.
6. “Prospects of Advancing Organic Farming for Cotton Crop in Maharashtra”, sponsored by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development, Mumbai and undertaken by K. G. Kshirsagar.
7. “The Impact of Macro Management of Agriculture Scheme in Maharashtra”, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India, and undertaken by K. G. Kshirsagar.

8. “Development Induced Displacement of Tribals in India: A Study of its Socio-Economic Problems” sponsored by University Grants Commission, New Delhi, and undertaken by S. N. Tripathy.
9. “Mid Term Evaluation of Revised National Watershed Development Projects for Rainfed Areas (NWDPRAs) Envisaged as WARSA JAN SAHBHAGITA during Tenth Plan (2002-2007)”, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, and undertaken by S N. Tripathy.
10. “Disability in India”, Population Research Centre, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, undertaken by S. Mulay.
11. “Housing and Household Amenities in Maharashtra”, Population Research Centre, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune, undertaken by S. Mulay.
12. “Constraints of Poverty Alleviation in Tribal Orissa”, sponsored by University Grants Commission, New Delhi, undertaken by B. B. Mohanty.
13. “Impact of Flat-Rate Tariff Policy on the Consumption of Electricity and Groundwater in Agriculture: A Study of Maharashtra”, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, and undertaken by A. Narayanamoorthy.
14. “Evaluation of Five Decades of Livestock Development in Maharashtra and Threats and Opportunities in WTO Regime”, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, and undertaken by Deepak Shah.
15. “State Budgetary Resources and Agricultural Development”, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, and undertaken by Sangeeta Shroff and Jayanti Kajale.
16. “Diversification of Agriculture – The case of Horticulture in Maharashtra with special reference to Horticulture Development Program linked with Employment Guarantee Scheme”, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, and undertaken by Sangeeta Shroff.
17. “Declining Productivity in Important Crops in Maharashtra”, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, and undertaken by S. S. Kalamkar.
18. “Market Access and Constraints in Marketing of Goats and their products” sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, and undertaken by Kailas C. Thaware.
19. “Understanding the Growth and Prospects of Agro-Processing Industries in Maharashtra”, sponsored by Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, New Delhi, and undertaken by Jayanti Kajale.

20. "An Assessment of the Completeness of Death Registration System using Generalized Model and Easing out the Assumption of Migration", undertaken by Vini Sivanandan.
21. "Fetters in Advancement of Education among ST's in India", undertaken by Vini Sivanandan.

III) Research Papers and Publications:

i) List of Papers, Chapters in Books Published:

1. "Population, Economy and Society in West Bengal since the 1970s", *Journal of Development Studies*, Vol. 43, No. 8, 2007, pp. 1381-1422, by Arup Maharatna.
2. "What is meant by the 'changing times' after all?", *Mainstream*, Vol. XLV, No. 27, June 2007, pp. 33-35, by Arup Maharatna.
3. "Borrowers Experiences with Rural Lending Institutions in Maharashtra: Some Policy Implications", *Journal of Rural Development*, Vol. 26, No. 4, October-December 2007, pp. 523-539, by K. G. Kshirsagar and Deepak Shah.
4. "The Organic Sugarcane Farming in Maharashtra: Present Performance and Future Challenges", *Artha Vijnana*, Vol. XLVIII, No. 3, September 2006, (Date of Issue: June 2007), pp. 189-277, by K. G. Kshirsagar.
5. "Pegged Exchange Rate and Financial Crisis in Mishra", by Smriti Mukherjee in S. N. and B. K. Sahu (Ed.) *Globalization, Economic Growth and Human Development*, Centre for Development Studies, Bhubaneswar and Anmol Publications, New Delhi, 2006, 2006.
6. "Does Groundwater Irrigation Reduce Rural Poverty?: Evidence from Indian States", *Irrigation and Drainage*, Vol. 56, No. 2-3, April-July, 2007, pp. 349-362, by A. Narayanamoorthy.
7. "Deceleration in Agricultural Growth: Technology Fatigue or Policy Fatigue?", *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 42, No. 25, June 23, 2007, pp. 2375-2379, by A. Narayanamoorthy.
8. "Who Benefits from Irrigation Development in India?: Implication of Irrigation Multipliers for Irrigation Financing", *Irrigation and Drainage*, Vol. 56, No.2-3, April-July, 2007, pp. 207-225, by A. Narayanamoorthy (jointly with Madhusudan Bhattarai and Randolph Barker).

9. "Tank Irrigation in India: A Time Series Analysis", *Water Policy*, Vol. 9, No.2, 2007, pp. 193-216, by A. Narayanamoorthy.
10. "Turnaround in Financial Recovery in Maharashtra's Irrigation Sector", *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. 42, No. 26, June 30, 2007, pp. 2679-2685, by A. Narayanamoorthy..
11. "Boosting Export Potential of India in Livestock Sector: Strategy, Prospects and Policy Issues' by Deepak Shah in S. Bhaskaran and Suchitra Mohanty (Eds.), 'Marketing of Livestock and Livestock Products in India', ICFAI Books, The ICFAI University Press, Hyderabad, India, 2007, pp. 193-217.
12. "Banking Sector Reforms and Co-operative Credit Institutions in Maharashtra: A Synthesis", *Agricultural Economics Research Review*, Vol. 20, No. 2, July-December 2007, pp. 235-254, by Deepak Shah.
13. "Functional Deficiencies of Agribusiness Cooperative in Maharashtra: Synthesis of an Unsuccessful Case", *Agricultural Economics Research Review*, Vol. 20, (Conference Issue), December 2007, pp. 563-576, by Deepak Shah.
14. "Adequacy of Institutional Credit through Co-operative in Maharashtra: A Region-wise Analysis", *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 62, No. 3, July-September, 2007, pp. 328-339, by Deepak Shah.
15. "Farmers' Suicides in Maharashtra (notes), *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. XLII, No. 49, pp. 43-47, by Sangeeta Shroff and Siddhartha Mitra.
16. "Organic Farming In India: Prospects and Problems", *Productivity*, Vol. 47, No. 4, January March 2007, pp. 399-408, by S.S. Kalamkar.
17. "Management of Market Risks in Agriculture", by S. S. Kalamkar in B. V. S. Prasad and Suchitra Mohanty (Eds) 'Agricultural Risks Management: Challenges and Strategies', The ICFAI University Press, Hyderabad, India, 2007, pp. 97-116.
18. कृषी संशोधन, शिक्षण व माहिती विस्तार केंद्र, *बळीराजा*, वर्ष 38, अंक 4, एप्रिल 2007, पान नं. 103-107, by S. S. Kalamkar.
19. महाराष्ट्रातील कृषीविद्यापीठे, विद्यापीठातील शैक्षणिक संस्था, संशोधन केंद्र, कृषीविद्यालये व इतर संस्था, *बळीराजा*, वर्ष 38, अंक 7, जुलै 2007, पान नं. 138-139, by S. S. Kalamkar.
20. महाराष्ट्रातील कृषीविद्यापीठे, विद्यापीठातील शैक्षणिक संस्था, संशोधन केंद्र, कृषीविद्यालये व इतर संस्था, *बळीराजा*, वर्ष 38, अंक 8, ऑगस्ट 2007, पान नं. 132-135, by S. S. Kalamkar.

21. “महाराष्ट्रातील बिगर शेती ग्रामीण रोजगाराचे स्वरूप”, *Samaj Prabodhan Patrika*, Vol. 45, No. 180, September-December 2007, pp. 444-451, by Jayanti Kajale.
22. “Rent a Womb: Surrogate Selection, Investment incentives and Contracting”, *Journal of Economic Behaviour and Organization*, by Swapnendu Bandyopadhyay (Forthcoming).
23. “Optimal Patent Length in a North-South Framework: A Comment, 2008, *Singapore Economic Review (World Scientific)*, by Swapnendu Bandyopadhyay and T. Kabiraj (Forthcoming).

ii) List of Article Abstract and Book Reviews Published:

24. “Gender Equity and Economic Development” in Conference Proceeding of a UGC sponsored National Seminar on Women and Sustainable Development organized by *Madar Ahilya Mahila Mahavidyalaya*, Bhagalpur, pp. 14-15, September 2007, by Smriti Mukherjee.
25. “Who Uses Agricultural Credit in India: A District Level Analysis”, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 62, No.3, July-September, 2007, (Abstract), p. 368, by A. Narayanamoorthy.
26. “Trade Practices of India in Livestock Section under Liberalised Regime Threats Vs Opportunities”, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 62, No. 3, July-September, 2007, *Summary*, pp. 461-462, by Deepak Shah.
27. Book Review of “Allocative Efficiency of Rice Farmers” by Nursadh Ali, Concept Publishing Company, New Delhi, 2007, published in *Journal of Indian School of Political Economy*, Vol. XVIII, No. 3, July-September, 2006, pp. 624-630, by Deepak Shah (Date of Journal Issue: March 2008).
28. Book Review of “Farm Size and Marketing Efficiency Pre and Post Liberalization, by Ashok Kumar Mittal, Concept Publishing House, 2007, published in *Journal of Indian School of Political Economy*, Vol. XVIII, July-September 2006, pp. 631-633, by Sangeeta Shroff.
29. “Market Risk Management in Agriculture”, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 62, No.3, July-September 2007, *Summary*, pp. 347-348, by S. S. Kalamkar.
30. “Export Marketing of Dairy Products: Problems and Perspectives”, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 62, No.3, July-September 2007, *Summary*, pp. 459-460, by S. S. Kalamkar.

31. Book Review of 'Indian Agriculture since Independence' स्वातंत्र्योत्तर कृषिक्षेत्राचा सर्वांगीण वेध, जी. एस. भल्ला, समाज प्रबोधन पत्रिका, वर्ष 38, अंक 8, ऑक्टोबर डिसेंबर 2007, पान नं. 483.484, (book review published in *Samaj Prabhodhan Patrika*, Vol. 38, No. 8, October - December 2007) by S. S. Kalamkar.
32. "Export Opportunities and Challenges for India Organic Products", *Agricultural Economics Research Review*, Vol. 20, Conference Number, 2007, *Summary*, p. 611, by S. S. Kalamkar.
33. "IT based Agricultural Marketing in India", *Indian Journal of Agricultural Marketing*, Vol. 21, No. 3, September December 2007, *Summary*, pp. 74-75, by S. S. Kalamkar.
34. "Marketing Infrastructure Development in Maharashtra", *Indian Journal of Agricultural Marketing*, Vol. 21, No. 3, September December 2007, *Summary*, p.124, by S. S. Kalamkar.
35. Book Review of "Farm Size and Marketing Efficiency: Pre and Post-Liberalization", by Parmod Kumar, *Concept Publishing Company, New Delhi, 2007*, published in *Artha Vijnana*, Vol. XLIX, No. 2, June 2007, pp. 157-160, by S. S. Kalamkar.
36. Book Review of "Allocative Efficiency of Rice Farmers", by Nursadh Ali, *Concept Publishing Company, New Delhi, 2007*, published in *Artha Vijnana*, Vol. XLIX, No. 1, March 2007, pp. 75-78, by S. S. Kalamkar.

iii) e-Publications:

37. "Learning from Collective Action-Leadership Nexus of Multipurpose Agro-Processing Marketing Institutions: A Cooperative Innovation in New Trade Regime", paper in the *International Conference on Co-operative and Innovation: Influencing the Social Economy*, held at University of Saskatoon, Saskatoon, Canada, from May 28 to 1 June 2007 (available on, <http://www.usaskstudies.coop/socialeconomy/files/Abstracts.pdf>), by Deepak Shah
38. "Horticultural Exports of Developing Countries: Issues under WTO Regime", *Economic Analysis Working Paper*, Spain, Vol. 7, No. 2, March 2008, pp. 1-13, (available at, [http://www.unagaliciamoderna.com/eawp/coldata /upload /deepak_shah_hort_exports\(2\).pdf](http://www.unagaliciamoderna.com/eawp/coldata /upload /deepak_shah_hort_exports(2).pdf)), by Deepak Shah.

iv) Other (Working Papers, Mimeograph, Occasional papers, Papers submitted / communicated for publication, etc.):

39. “Children’s Work Activities in a Peasant Household: Epitome of Neo-classical Rationality or else?”, Working Paper No. 13, Gokhale Institute of politics and Economics, Pune, September 2007 by Arup Maharatna,.
40. “The Sraffa System for Continuous Industrial Production”, *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, by Rajas Parchure (submitted for publication).
41. “Agriculture Development in North-Eastern Region of India”, by S.S. Kalamkar (submitted for publication).
42. “Marketing of Indian Organic Products: Opportunities and Challenges” by S.S. Kalamkar (submitted for publication).
43. “An Assessment of IT Based Agricultural Marketing System in India”, by S.S. Kalamkar (submitted for publication).
44. “Export Marketing of Dairy Products: Problems and Perspectives” by S.S. Kalamkar (submitted for publication).
45. “Union-Oligopoly Bargaining and Entry Deterrence: A Reassessment of Limit Pricing (with Bibhas Saha), Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune Working Paper No. 14, January 2008, by Rupayan Pal.
46. “Cooperative Managerial Delegation, R&D, and Collusion”, by Rupayan Pal (submitted for publication).
47. “A Note on Environmental Taxes and Strategic Delegation”, by Rupayan Pal (submitted for publication).
48. “Impact of Group-incentives on Performance of Small Firms: Hausman-Taylor estimates”, by Rupayan Pal and Kshitija Dixit (submitted for publication)..
49. “Decentralization and Political Business Cycle: Fund Utilization of MP-LADS”, by Rupayan Pal and Aparajita Das (submitted for publication).
50. “Gestational Surrogacy Contracts: Altruistic or Commercial” – A Contract Theoretic Approach”, by Swapnendu Bandyopadhyay (submitted for publication)..
51. “Innovation Inducing Tariff Protection in a Vertically Differentiated Market”, by Swapnendu Bandyopadhyay and R. Acharyya (submitted for publication).
52. “Relationship Banking with Cooperative Investments”, by Swapnendu Bandyopadhyay (submitted for publication).

IV) Participation in Conferences, Seminars, Lectures, Work on Committees, other Academic activities, and Administrative Assignments handled:

Arup Maharatna: Working as a Member, Board of Studies, International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai; Working as a Member, Departmental Committee, Department of Economics, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad; Representative of the Institute to the Indian Historical Records Commission, New Delhi; and Working as paper-setter for Punjab University, Chandigarh, in the Subject of Economics of Population.

(i) Attended National Seminar on National Family Health Survey (NFHS-3) organized by IIPS, Mumbai, held on 11-13 October 2007 at New Delhi; (ii) Participated in a workshop on Dissemination of Census Data held on 6 February 2008 at the Institute. Also worked as Chairman of the discussant group in the workshop; (iii) Attended a meeting of the departmental committee of Department of Economics, University of Hyderabad at Hyderabad on February 13, 2008; (iv) Attended one-day Seminar on “Research Avenues in Economics” held on February 27, 2008 at St. Mira’s College for Girls, Pune, and gave the key-note address; (v) Participated as a panelist in a Mock Interview held for candidates who have qualified in Main Civil Services Exam. 2007 organized by ACEC at YASHADA, Pune, on March 30, 2008; (vi) Delivered lectures in Population Studies and Economics of Development (M.A.); (vii) Supervised Ph. D. candidates; (viii) Worked as Editor of *Artha Vijnana*; (ix) Worked as Officiating Director of the Institute.

Rajas Parchure: i) Working as a Member, Financial Transparency Standard of India, IMF-RBI; ii) Delivered three Seminar Lectures at the Institute on A Reconstruction of Interest Rate Theory, A Reconstruction of Exchange Rate Theory and Life and Death is Portfolio Theory; (iii) Worked as Joint Director of the Institute, and (iv) Taught M.A. Courses.

K. G. Kshirsagar: (i) Participated in the UGC sponsored National Seminar on “New Issues in Indian Agriculture” organized by the Symbiosis society’s College of Arts and Commerce during 11-12 January 2008; (ii) Participated in the National Seminar on “Agribusiness and Environmental Degradation”, and presented a paper on “Organic Sugarcane Farming: Some Aspects of Economics and Conservation of Soil and Water Resources in Maharashtra”, organized by the Shivaji University, Maharashtra, March 14-15, 2008; (iii) Presented a paper on “Impact of Organic farming on Economics of Sugarcane Cultivation in Maharashtra” at our Institute on February 8, 2008; (iv) Continued to supervise the Ph. D. students; (v) Worked as an expert for the assessment of research publications for promotion to the post of Professor at the Dr. Bahasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad, Maharashtra; (vi) Worked as the Coordinator of the ICSSR Scheme for Guidance and Consultancy Services at the Institute during the reporting period; (vii) Worked as the referee for *Artha Vijnana*; (viii) Working as committee member for Masters Thesis for three M.A. Students; (ix) Worked as the referee for the Institute for Social and Economic Change, Bangalore.

S. N. Tripathy: (i) Presented the keynote address in the UGC sponsored National Conference on “Problems of Deforestation: Issue and Policy Options”, organized by Sabitri Mahavidyalaya, Bhanjanagar, Ganjam, Orissa (Berhampur University), 27-28 March, 2008.

Sanjeevane Mulay: (i) Presented a paper “Age at Marriage of Girls in Maharashtra” at a workshop on Reproductive and Sexual Health of Adolescents in Maharashtra held by IHMP and Govt. of Maharashtra on 4th and 5th January 2008 at Pune; (ii) Delivered a Lecture (in Marathi) on Urbanization at the Vicharvedha Sammelan at Satara on 29.12.2008, and (iii) Guidance to a Ph.D. student on “Economic Status of AIDS patients in India” at GIPE.

Asha Gadre: (i) Orientation Lecture to M. A. Student on 8th August, 2007; (ii) Organized two days workshop on “Resource Sharing among Social Science Libraries in the Internet Era”, sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research from 27th and 28th September, 2007; (iii) Member of Organising Committee of the SLA Workshop on “Librarianship 2.0” held on 8th February, 2008 at MCCIA, International Convention Centre, Pune.

A. Narayanamoorthy: (i) Participated in a workshop on “Groundwater and Sustainable Agriculture”, organised by Greenpeace International Organisation, Bangalore, during April 10, 2007; (ii) A paper entitled “Bt Cotton Cultivation: Can it Benefit Indian Farmers” was presented at the Methodology Workshop on Policy Research in Agricultural Bio-technology, organised by the Centre for Agricultural and Rural Development Studies (CARDS), Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, during April 20, 2007; (iii) A paper on “Impact of Drip Method of Irrigation on Sugarcane Cultivation” was presented at a special invited seminar, Institute for Financial Management and Research, Chennai, during April 30, 2007; (iv) A note on “What do farmers do with the water saved through MI?” was presented at the workshop on Sustaining Groundwater Use in Arid and Semi-Arid Regions: Opportunities and Challenges, organised by the IWMI-TATA at the Institute of Rural Management Anand (IRMA), during August 3, 2007; (v) Participated in a regional workshop on “The Strategic Analyses of India’s River Linking Project”, organised by the International Water Management Institute, at ICRISAT, Hyderabad, during August 30, 2007; (vi) A paper entitled “Agrarian Crisis: How to Overcome?” was presented at the Seminar on Agricultural Development in Maharashtra, organised by the Department of Agriculture, Government of Maharashtra, held at Sugar Bhavan, Pune, during September 11, 2007; (vii) Participated in the first National Workshop on “The Strategic Analyses of India’s River Linking Project”, organised by the International Water Management Institute, at NASC Complex, New Delhi, during October 9-10, 2007; (viii) Conducted the final viva-voce (as an external examiner) examination of a Ph.D. thesis, “An Analysis of Role of Women in Financial Institutions, with Special Reference to Banking Sector in Pune”, at Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth (Deemed University), Pune, on April 25, 2007; (ix) Participated in a meeting with the Members of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices to decide the price policy of Kharif crops in 2008-09 season, held at Mantralaya, Mumbai, on December 18, 2007; (x) A paper entitled, “Irrigation Development in India: Does it Progress in Right

Direction?” was presented at the National Seminar on New Issues in Indian Agriculture - Dr. V.M. Dandekar Memorial Series, organised by the Symbiosis Society of Arts and Commerce, Pune, during January 11-12, 2008; (xi) Delivered four lectures (6 hours) on “financial performance of irrigation sector in India” and “cost-benefit concepts of irrigation projects” at the Twenty First Induction Training Programme for the newly appointed Officers of Central Water Engineering Services, National Water Academy, Central Water Commission, Government of India, Khadakwasla, Pune, during August 21 and 23, 2007; (xii) Two M.A. students dissertation supervised; (xiii) Nominated to be an International Researcher at the Centre for Comparative Water Policies and Laws, School of Commerce, University of South Australia, Adelaide; (xiv) Acted as a referee for journals such as *Water Policy*, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, *World Development*, *Journal of Social and Economic Development*.

Smriti Mukherjee: (i) Attended the inaugural session of a two day National Seminar on ‘Impact of Globalization’, organized by the Poona College, between 8-9th February, 2008; (ii) Delivered the keynote address on Gender Equity and Economic Development in a National Seminar at Bhagalpur between 14-15th September, 2007; (iii) Attended the inaugural session of the National Seminar on New Issues in Indian Agriculture arranged by the Symbiosis College of Arts and Commerce on January 11, 2008; (iv) Co-chaired a session in the National Seminar on “Indian Higher Education and Tribals : Problems and Prospects” arranged by the Indian Economic Association and A. S. College, Deoghar between 29-31st March, 2008; (v) Acted as a external examiner for a Ph.D. Thesis entitled “A Critical Evaluation of IRDP in Bihar During 1980-2007” submitted to the T. M. Bhagalpur University; (vi) Acted as the paper setter for a 100 marks paper on International Economics meant for final M.A. Examination 2008 held by the Panjab University, Chandigarh.

R. Nagarajan: (i) Attended the Training of Trainers for District Level Household Survey-3 on Reproductive and Child Health organised by the International Institute for Population Sciences and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare during 24.09.2007 to 5.10.2007 at Hotel Mapple Abhay, Jodhpur; (ii) Attended the meeting of the Monitoring Agencies for the District Level Household Survey-3 on Reproductive and Child Health organised by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on November 19, 2007 at the National Institute of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi to finalise the Monitoring Format for the DLHS-3; (iii) Attended the “State level workshop on adolescents and reproductive and sexual health” organized jointly by the Institute for Health Management, Pachod and Directorate of Health Services, Government of Maharashtra during January 4-5, 2008 at the Central Institute of Road Transport, Pune; (iv) Attended the meeting organised by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai to review the progress of District Level Household Survey-3 on Reproductive and Child Health on January 12, 2008 at IIPS, Mumbai; (v) Attended the “Census of India: 2001 Data Dissemination Workshop” organised jointly by Directorate of Census Operations, Mumbai and Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune and gave a presentation titled “Child sex ratio in Maharashtra: An analysis based on 2001 Census data” on February 6, 2008; (vi) Attended the Review Meeting of the Monitoring and Field Agencies of the District Level Household Survey-3

organised by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India on February 27, 2008 at National Institute of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi and presented the consolidated report on monitoring of DLHS-3 in Karnataka; (vii) Attended the review meeting of the Phase-II of the District Level Household Survey-3 on Reproductive and Child Health organized by the International Institute for Population Sciences and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on March 05, 2008; (viii) Monitored the Phase-I of the District Level Household Survey (DLHS-3) on Reproductive and Child Health in the states of Karnataka, Goa and Madhya Pradesh and submitted the reports to the Ministry. This activity was assigned to the Population Research Centre by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India with the financial grant from UNICEF, from October-March 2007, several trips were made to these states to monitor the survey; (ix) Evaluated a Ph.D thesis of the Department of Economics, University of Mumbai titled “Women and Development with Special Reference to Self-Help Groups in Maharashtra” and also conducted the Viva Voce examination of the thesis on September 18, 2007 at University of Mumbai; (x) Organised the “Census of India 2001: Data Dissemination Workshop” at the Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics jointly with the Directorate of Census Operations, Mumbai on February 06, 2008; (xi) Worked as a principal guide for three Ph.D. students and a committee member for another student; (xii) Worked as a committee member for two M.A. theses; and (xiii) Continued to work as an Officiating Registrar till August 27, 2007.

Deepak Shah: (i) Participated in the third annual “South Asia Conference on Trade and Development 2007” on the theme “Harnessing Gains from Trade: Domestic Challenges and Beyond” being organized by the Centre for Trade and Development (CENTAD) at the Hotel Claridges, New Delhi, India on 19-20 December, 2007; (ii) Research paper entitled “Trade Practices of India in Livestock Sector Under Liberlised Regime: Threats Vs Opportunities’ was presented at the 67th Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Agricultural Economics, held at the Bankers Institute of Rural Development, Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh) from November 5-7, 2007; (iii) Research paper entitled “Adequacy of Institutional Credit through Co-operatives in Maharashtra: A Region-wise Analysis” was presented at the 67th Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Agricultural Economics, held at the Bankers Institute of Rural Development, Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh) from November 5-7, 2007; (iv) Participated in the 4th South Asia Research and Advocacy (READ) meet for discussion on “Doha Issues”, Agricultural Policies : Impact on Livelihood of Small Farmers”, “Gender Issues and Sustainable rural Livelihood” and “Climate Change and India”., Scheduled on 19th July 2007 at “Raunaq Hall”, PHDCCI, PHD House, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, New Delhi, (v) Worked as a member of “Research and Advocacy (READ), Group, participated in the 4th READ meet on “Rationalizing Rules and Regulations in Informal Sector enterprises; The unorganized sector and livelihoods of women” on 29th January, 2008 at Conference Room No. II, Indian Islamic Cultural Centre, New Delhi; (vi) Acted a discussant on “Agricultural Policies and Practices: Impact on Livelihood of small Farmers” for the 4th South Asia Research and Advocacy (READ), on 19th July 2007 at “Raunaq Hall”, PHDCCI, PHD House, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, New Delhi; (vii) Participated in the meetings with the Commissioner of Agriculture, Government of Maharashtra, on various issues relating to achieving annual 4 percent growth in agriculture and allied activities for the state, during April-May 2007; (viii) Member of Academic Council and Board of

Studies of the Institute; (ix) Worked as Public Information officer of the Institute from March 27, 2006 to December 6, 2007 and (x) Worked as M A Coordinator of the Institute.

Sangeeta Shroff: (i) Attended and presented a paper entitled ‘State Intervention and Risk Mitigation – The case of Maharashtra’ (jointly with Jayanti Kajale) for 67th Conference of the Indian Society of Agricultural Economics, held at Bankers Institute of Rural Development, Lucknow, between 5th and 7th November, 2007; (ii) Attended the UGC sponsored Refresher Programme, organized by the Mahatama Phule Chair, Academic Staff College, University of Pune, Pune between 28/11/2007 and 18/12/2007; (iii) Attended and presented a paper entitled “Employment and Equality in an Era of Globalisation”, for the XXXI Indian Social Science Congress held between December 27th to 31st, 2007 SNTD Women’s University, Mumbai; (iv) Attended UGC sponsored Refresher Programme, in University of Mumbai from February 4th to February 23rd, conducted by University of Mumbai, Mumbai; (v) Attended a national level seminar on “New Issues in Indian Agriculture” on 11th and 12th January, 2008 in Symbiosis College of Arts and Commerce, Pune; (vi) Guiding between M. A. Students for Master’s thesis and serving as Ph. D. Supervisor; and (vii) Worked as Officer-in-Charge of AER Centre of the Institute.

S. S. Kalamkar: (i) Participated and a presented two papers, “Market Risk Management in Agriculture” and “Export Marketing of Dairy Products: Problems and Perspectives” at Sixty-Seventh Annual Conference of Indian Society of Agricultural Economics, held at Bankers Institute of Rural Development, Lucknow from 5th to 7th November 2007; (ii) Participated and a presented two papers, “IT Based Agricultural Marketing In India” and “Marketing Infrastructure Development in Maharashtra” at Twenty First Annual Conference on Agricultural Marketing of *Indian Society of Agricultural Marketing*, held at Agricultural College and Research Institute (TNAU), Madurai from December 20th-22nd, 2007; (iii) Worked as a *Rapporteur* for a Technical Session II on ‘Reforming and Redefining the Role of Marketing Institutions Restricting to the Marketing Boards and Commodity Boards’ at Twenty First Annual Conference on Agricultural Marketing of *Indian Society of Agricultural Marketing*, held at Agricultural College and Research Institute (TNAU), Madurai from December 20th-22nd, 2007; (iv) Participated at UGC Sponsored National Seminar on ‘*New Issues in Indian Agriculture*’ organized by Department of Economics and Banking, Symbiosis Society’s College of Arts and Commerce, Pune on 11th and 12th of January, 2008; (v) Worked as the Rector of the Hostels of the Institute (up to August 30, 2007), (vi) Worked as In-Charge of Guestrooms of the Institute (up to August 30, 2007); (vii) Worked as a Officer-on-Special Duty (Administration) of the Institute from April 23, 2007 to August 27, 2007; (viii) Worked as a referee for three Journals, viz. *Artha Vijnana*, *Indian Journal of Agricultural Marketing* and *Crop Protection and Production*; (ix) Worked as a Member of the Executive Committee of the *Indian Society of Agricultural Marketing*; (x) Worked as a member of Board of Studies of the Institute (up to April 4, 2008), member of Academic Council of the Institute (from December 17, 2007 till date) and member of Building Committee of the Institute (from April, 2006 till date); (xi) Worked as a principal guide for one MA student and Committee member for another student; and (xii) Worked as Officiating Registrar of the Institute from August 27, 2007 till date.

P. N. Rath: (i) Attended one day workshop on Librarianship 2.0 Emerging Trends in Connecting People into Information, held at MCCIA, International Convention Centre, Pune on 28th February 2007; (ii) Worked as Campus Secretary, Gokhale Institute Staff Quarters Campus and In-Charge of the Guestrooms from September 2007, (iii) Worked as guide to one student doing M. Phil in Library and Information Science under Annamali Open University.

Kailash C. Thaware: (i) Participated and presented paper on ‘Sustainable Development and Poor People (A case of India)’ at the International Conference on Issues in Public Policy and Sustainable Development, organized by Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), at New Delhi, from March 26-28, 2008.

Rupayan Pal: (i) Presented the paper titled “Cooperative Managerial Delegation, R&D, and Collusion” in the International Conference on Comparative Development at Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi, during December 18 - 20, 2007; (ii) Presented the paper titled “Union-Oligopoly Bargaining and Entry Deterrence: A Reassessment of Limit Pricing” (with Bibhas Saha) in a seminar at GIPE on September 14, 2007.

Vini Sivanandan: (i) Presented seminar on May 4, 2007 title” Representation of Social Groups in Higher Education: An analysis of NSS 55th Round”; (ii) Attended NFHS-3 Data Users Workshop at IIPS, Mumbai held on 19-21 November, 2007.

S. Bandyopadhyay: (i) Presented a paper “Relationship Banking with Cooperative Investments” at the International Conference on “Issues in Finance – Theory and Empirics” organized by the Centre for Advanced Studies in Economics, and the ASIHSS Programme, Department of Economics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, during January 2-3, 2008. (ii) Presented a paper “Gestational Surrogacy Contracts: Altruistic or Commercial? A Contract Theoretic Approach” at the Conference on Economic Theory and Policy at Viswa-Bharati University on 14-16 March, 2008.

Ganesh S. Narkulwad: (i) Attended a two-day IASSI Annual Conference on “Reforming Rural Non Farm Activities for Benefits of Globalization”, sponsored by Indian Association of Social Science Institution (IASSI) New Delhi, organized by the Institute of Rural Management (IRMA), Anand (Gujarat) during 11-12th January, 2008; (ii) Attended an one day Seminar on “SEZs in India: A Critical Prospective” sponsored by UGC, and organized by Tilak Maharashtra University, Pune, 14th January, 2008 at Pune.

Anurag Asawa: i) Worked as a Senior Supervisor, and ii) Worked as Officer-on-Special Duty (attached to M. A. Section).

Jayanti Kajale: (i) Attended a Workshop on “Green Productivity and Sustainable Community Development: Case of Natural Farming” organized by Asian Productivity Council, Tokyo, during 5th November, 2007 and 9th November, in Jeju Island, Republic of Korea and made a presentation on “Current Situation, Policy Intervention and Challenges in promotion of environment friendly farming practices in participating countries; (ii) Attended a meeting on “Sustainability assessment in Jalswaraj project” organized by Sector Reform and Project Management Unit of Water Supply and Sanitation Department in CIDCO Bhavan, Navi Mumbai on 3rd December, 2007; (iii) Attended the 49th Annual Conference of Indian Society of Agricultural Economics held at CESs, Hyderabad, during 15-17 December, 2007 and presented paper titled “Rural Diversification in Maharashtra: A Case of Regional Disparities in Rural Non Farm Employment; (iv) Delivered lectures in “Rural Unemployment” and “Farm Wages” for participants of post graduate diploma in rural management at YASHADA, Pune, October, 2007; (v) Attended and completed, with “A” grade, the 119th orientation programme organized by the Academic Staff College, Pune University, Pune during February 25, 2008 to March 23, 2008; (vi) Referred articles for Artha Vijnana and Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics; (vii) Worked as a committee member for Master’s Thesis of two M.A. students; and (viii) Worked as Alumni Coordinator.

Sugeeta Upadhyay: (i) Delivered a lecture at YASADA, Pune on “Measuring National Income and Output”, on October 24, 2007 for participants of post graduate diploma in Rural Management; (ii) Delivered a seminar lecture on “Demand for Higher Education in India: with Special Reperena to Women” at Visva Bharati University on March 30, 2008; and (iii) Worked as a Principal Guide of Masters Dissertation of one M.A. student and worked as a Committee member for Master’s thesis of one M.A. student.

V) Awards won at state/national/international levels, election/nomination to professional, educational, non-academic bodies, etc.

--

VI) M. A. Programme

Faculty members of the Institute taught courses for the M.A. (Economics) Programme in the Institute:

Semester: Aug - Dec 2007

	Subject	Faculty
1.	A01 : Microeconomics-I	: Dr. S. Bandyopadhyay, Dr. Santanu Ghosh
2.	A03 : Macroeconomics-I	: Dr. Sugeeta Upadhyay
3.	A05: Econometrics I	: Dr. Siddhartha Mitra

4.	B07: Economics of Labour	: Dr. Siddhartha Mitra, Dr. Rupayan Pal
5.	B09: Financial Institutions and Markets	: Dr. Kailas Thaware
6.	B10: Population Studies	: Prof. Arup Maharatna, Dr. (Smt.) S. Mulay, Dr. R. Nagarajan
7.	B13: Financial Economics Basic	: Prof. Rajas Parchure
8.	Q01 : Mathematics	: Ms Sivanandan Vini
9.	B15 : Master Thesis Course	: Various Faculty Members
10.	Certificate Course in Computer Applications for Economic Analysis	: Dr. R. Nagarajan, Dr. Rupayan Pal

Semester: Jan - April 2008

	Subject	Faculty
1.	A04: Macroeconomics II	: Dr. S. Mukherjee, Dr. Medha Deshpande
2.	A06: Economics of Development	: Prof. Arup Maharatna, Dr. Jayanti Kajale
3.	B08: National income	: Dr. Ajit Gaikwad, Mr. Azhar Khan
4.	B11: Econometrics II	: Mr. Pradeep Apte
5.	B21: Economics of Public Enterprises	: Dr. Sumita Kale, Mr. Pradeep Apte

There were 74 students in the M.A. Class (Part I and Part II) for the year 2007-08.

VII) 14th Convocation of the Institute

At the 14th Convocation of the Institute held on January 19, 2008, twenty eight successful students from the batch 2005-2007 were awarded their M.A. (Economics) degree from the Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics (Deemed to be University Under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956), Pune 411 004.

VIII) Pandurangi Prize

Miss Vibha Iyer, who secured first rank with an 'A+' grade in the M. A. Examination, held in May 2007, was awarded the Pandurangi Prize.

IX) Late Professor M. V. Namjoshi Prizes

Miss Vibha Iyer, who secured first rank with an 'A+' grade in the M. A. Examination, held in May 2007, was awarded the Late Professor M. V. Namjoshi Prize.

Miss Parul Shrivastava was awarded the Late Professor M. V. Namjoshi Prize for securing highest marks in the course B04: Industry: Organization, Structure and Problems.

X) R. M. Agnihotri Prize

Miss Vibha Iyer and Miss Neha Sinha was jointly awarded R. M. Agnihotri Prize for securing the highest marks in the course A09: Economics of Development.

XI) Ph.D. Students

The members of the faculty of the Institute continued to guide the Ph.D. students in Economics. There were 24 students working at the Institute for their Ph.D. degree during the year under report.

XII) UGC - Sponsored Refresher Courses

NIL

XIII) Visits of Scholars and Academicians (April 2007 to March 2008)

XIV) Seminars/Talk-shops/Workshop/Conferences Organized during 2007-2008

During the year under report, the Institute organized seminars, details of which are as under:

Sr. No.	Date	Speaker	Title
1	20/04/2007	Mr. Anto Joseph, Research Scholar, GIPE, Pune	Agrarian Power Structure and Rural Poverty: A Study of Two Villages in Bihar
2	04/05/2007	Smt. Vini Sivanandan, Lecturer, GIPE , Pune	Representation of social groups in higher education: an analysis of NSSO 55th Round
3	11/05/2007	Dr. Siddhartha Mitra, Reader, GIPE , Pune	Special Economic Zones In India: White Elephants or Race Horses
4	08/06/2007	Dr. Anindita Sen, Lecturer, The University of Burdwan, Bardhaman, West Bengal	Environmental Standards and Employment
5	15/06/2007	Dr. Rajas Parchure, Professor, GIPE, Pune	A Reconstruction of Interest Rate Theory
6	22/06/2007	Dr. Sangeeta Shroff, Lecturer, GIPE, Pune	Farmers' Suicides in Maharashtra
7	29/06/2007	Mr. Sanjay Prasad, IAS	The Structural Analysis of Long Waves in India and the Modern World System from the 16th to the 21st Centuries
8	06/07/2007	Mr. Pradeep Apte, Fergusson College, Pune	Agreement on Sanitary and Phyto-Sanitary Measures
9	20/07/2007	Dr. Shatakshee Dhongde, Department of Economics, Rochester, Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY, USA	Measuring the Impact of Growth and Income Distribution on Poverty in India
10	27/07/2007	Mr. J. Retnakumar, Ph. D. Candidate, International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai	How far the electoral rolls in India are ideal for a democracy?
11	03/08/2007	Dr. Rajas Parchure, Professor, GIPE, Pune	A Reconstruction of Exchange Rate Theory
12	31/08/2007	Dr. Smriti Mukherjee, Reader, GIPE, Pune	Capital Account Liberalization and the Indian Economy
13	14/09/2007	Dr. Rupayan Pal, Lecturer, GIPE, Pune	Union-Oligopoly Bargaining and Entry Deterrence: A Reassessment of Limit Pricing

14	18/01/2008	Mr. Ali Mellati, Research Scholar, GIPE, Pune	Uncertainty and Investment in Private Sector: An Analytical Argument and a Review of the Economy of Iran
15	25/01/2008	Professor Rajas Parchure, GIPE, Pune	Life and death in Portfolio Theory
16	08/02/2008	Professor K. G. Kshirsagar, GIPE, Pune	Impact of Organic Farming on Economics of Sugarcane Cultivation in Maharashtra
17	29/02/2008	Professor K.R. Dikshit, Former Head of the Department of Geography, University of Pune	An Encounter with north-east: The Contemporary Situation

Workshop:

- **Workshop on “Census of India 2001: Data Dissemination”**(February 06, 2008)

The Institute has organised a one day workshop on “Census of India 2001: Data Dissemination” jointly with the Directorate of Census Operations, Mumbai on February 06, 2008. Prof. Arup Maharatna Chaired the inauguration of the workshop, Prof. (Retd.) Tara Kanitkar gave the keynote address to the participants, and Dr. S.S. Hiremath (Deputy Director of Census Operations, Maharashtra) gave an introductory speech about the census publications. Following seven papers were presented in the workshop:

1. Demographic Profile of Maharashtra (by Dr. Madhuri Talwalkar, Retired State Demographer).
2. Census 2001 Publications (by Y.S. Patil, Assistant. Director of Census Operation, Maharashtra).
3. Ageing of Population in Maharashtra (Tara Kanitkar, Retired Professor, International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai).
4. Child Sex Ratio in Maharashtra (Dr. R. Nagarajan, Population Research Centre, Pune)
5. Urbanization in Maharashtra (Dr. S. Mulay, Population Research Centre, Pune)
6. Use of GIS in Census 2001 (D.N. Chourasia, Directorate of Census Operation, Maharashtra).
7. Sample Registration System (Mrs. V.A. Warade, Assistant Director of Census Operation, Maharashtra).

Besides the paper presentation, the Directorate of Census Operations has displayed all the publications and CDs of Census 2001 for the perusal of participants and for the sale. More than 80 participants from different government departments and academic institutions participated in the workshop.

XV) Staff Members (Joined / Retired / Left during the period)

During the year 1 Professor (Prof. B. N. Kamble – Joined and Left), 1 Professor (Prof. K. P. Deo – Joined), 1 Visiting Professor (Prof. S. N. Tripathy – Jointed), 1 Reader (Dr. B. B. Mohanty - Resigned), 1 Reader (Dr. (Smt.) Sanjeevani Mulay – Retired), 1 Information Scientist (Shri Santosh Jadhav – Joined and left, Shri Pramod Joshi - Joined), 4 Lecturers (Shri G. S. Narkulwad, Shri Anurag Asawa, Shri Abhijit Bangar and Shri K. S. Hari – Joined), 1 Documentation Officer (Shri Vilas G. Jadhav – Joined), at the Institute.

XVI) Development of Infrastructure

The following infrastructure was installed during April 2007 to March 2008:

Institute subscribed to *www.indiastat.com* website and purchased one Telephone Auto attendant, one Shreelipi software, Firewall – Anti Spam software, Four book cases, 1 pinup board, 1 patch card, 5 Sukam batteries, 15 Telephone Instruments, 7 Watches, 8 Fans, 10 Pen drives, 1 Aqua-guard water filter purifier, 1 Steel locker, 8 Visitor Chairs, 5 Steel Storewells, 1 Blue Star Water cooler, 30 Computer tables, 1 Steel frame PC, 1 Drawer, 1 Cupboard, 6 RAM(256), 8 Filing Cabinets, 40 Suspension Folders, 3 Spring Mikes, 1 Shelf for Printer, 2 Executive Chairs, 5 display Boards, 5 Steel Cupboard through various UGC grants for X Plan Development, SAP, ASIHSS, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, etc.

XVII) Kale Memorial Lecture

Professor Partha Chatterjee, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta and Columbai University, U.S.A., delivered the Kale Memorial Lecture, 2007 on “Democracy and Economic Transformation in India”, at the Fourteenth Convocation of the Institute on January 19, 2008.

XVIII) Working Papers

- No. 11 : ‘Rent a Womb: Surrogate Selection, Investment Incentives and Contracting’ by Swapnendu Banerjee and Sanjay Basu, April 2007.
- No. 12 : ‘An Analysis of Fertility Differentials among Caste Groups in Andhra Pradesh’ by P. Ramesh, April 2007.
- No. 13 : ‘Children’s Work Activities in a Peasant Household: Epitome of Neo-classical Rationality or else?’ by Arup Maharatna, September 2007.
- No. 14 : ‘Union–Oligopoly Bargaining and Entry Deterrence: A Reassessment of Limit Pricing’ by Rupayan Pal and Bibhas Saha, January 2008.

XIX) Publications

The Institute brought out the following publication during the year 2007-2008:

Artha Vijnana : Vol. 48, No. 1 & 2, March & June 2006.
Vol. 48, No. 3, September 2006.
Vol. 48, No. 4, December 2006.
Vol. 49, No. 1, March 2007.
Vol. 49, No. 2, June 2007.

XX) P. R. Dubhashi Public Lecture

Professor Dilip M. Nachane, Director, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, delivered the Second P.R. Dubhashi Public Lecture on “Two Decades of Structural Reforms in India: A Balance Sheet” on 10th December, 2007.

=*=*=*