

CARDAMOM PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION COLLEGE

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

REPORT ON NATIONAL LEVEL WEBINAR

The National Level Webinar was organized by the Department of Economics, Cardamom Planters' Association College, Bodinayakanur, through virtual mode on 15.09.2020. The objective of the event was to enrich the students about "THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON INDIAN ECONOMY".

The session started with a silent prayer and **Dr. S. SENTHIL KUMAR**, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Economics, welcomed the gathering. The Presidential Address was given by **Dr. S. SIVAKUMAR**, Principal (i/c). Felicitation was carried out by **Dr. S. BALAMURUGAN**, Vice-Principal. The chief guest introduction was done by **Dr. D.HEMA**, Assistant Professor of Economics.

The Hon'ble Guest of Honour **Dr. P. ARUNACHALAM**, Professor & Head, Department of Applied Economics, Cochin University of Science & Technology, Kerala, delivered the Keynote Address on the topic "the impact of COVID-19 on Indian Economy. He highlighted that, this year the Covid-19 pandemic has had a huge impact on the lives and livelihoods of migrant workers. With a nation-wide lockdown announced in the last week of March, which included suspension of all services, business, public transport, and other non-essential services; although genuinely essential, unfortunately also triggered a massive reverse migration. And so, in the first few days following the announcement of lock down, more than half a million people, out of desperation because of lack of jobs and food, walked hundreds of kilometers to reach their homes. And for those who stayed back, every day was a question of survival.

As an end of this session, vote of thanks was delivered by Mrs. M. HEMALATHA, Assistant Professor of Economics.
