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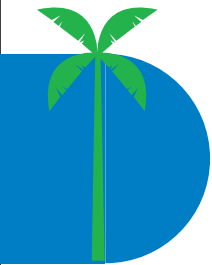
**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE  
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**KERALA STATE PLANNING BOARD**



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Kerala is poised for a great transformation.

Kerala has been, and remains, the most important example in independent India of the power of public action to improve the well-being of the people and to transform social, political, and cultural conditions in a State.

Today, it is committed to a path of development that will develop, enhance, and modernise the productive sectors of the economy; expand employment in various sectors with an emphasis on creating jobs for educated youth; strengthen and upgrade public education and health; and build upon the network of social welfare and reform measures that are part of the rich legacy of public action in the State.

Kerala Looks Ahead is an International Conference and Consultation that will serve as a platform for the Government of Kerala to learn from the experiences and best practices across the world in its efforts to modernise the economy and bring the benefits of high growth and inclusive development to all the people of Kerala.

The Conference will discuss the future prospects for Kerala in key areas, including agriculture, animal resources, fisheries, e-governance, higher education, industry, information technology, skill development, and tourism. There are two special sessions – on Local Governments and Federalism and Development Financing – that will showcase Kerala's initiatives in the respective fields. There will also be a special industry session that will discuss a roadmap for the future industrial growth in Kerala.

The Kerala State Planning Board is the main organiser of the Conference. The Conference will be held online.

Policymakers, scholars, youth, students and teachers, representatives of industry and of farmers, social workers, persons in public life, and interested persons from all walks of life interested industry groups, associations, organisations and institutions are invited to join us at Kerala Looks Ahead and in this endeavour.

## KEYNOTE ADDRESS



### **SOUMYA SWAMINATHAN**



Chief Scientist at the WHO, Soumya Swaminathan is a paediatrician and clinical scientist renowned for her research in Tuberculosis and HIV. She was earlier the Deputy Director-General of Programmes at the WHO, Secretary to the Government of India for Health Research and Director General of the Indian Council of Medical Research.

### **JOSEPH STIGLITZ**



A Nobel Laureate in Economic Sciences, Joseph Stiglitz has served as the Vice President and Chief Economist of the World Bank. The American economist, public analyst and professor has more than 40 honorary degrees. In 2011, Stiglitz was named by Time magazine as one of the 100 most influential people in the world.





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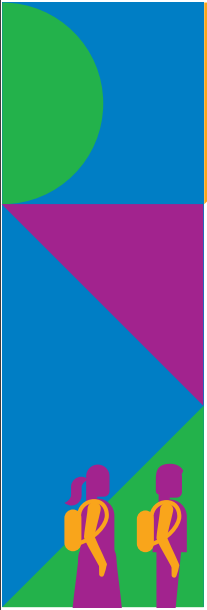
**PROGRAMME SCHEDULE**

Date & Time	Session
<b>February 1</b> 18.00 - 19.25	Inaugural Session
<b>February 2</b> 9.30-13.00	
Session I - 9.30-10.45 Session II -11.00-11.45 Session III -12.00-13.00	Modernising agriculture, fisheries, and animal resources (Agriculture Session)
10.00-12.30	Federalism and Development Financing
10.00-13.00	Information Technology
11.30-13.15	E-governance (Session I: Citizen Access to Services and Empowerment)
10.00-13.00	Local Governments (Kerala Session)
14.00-15.55 Session I-14.00-14.55 Session II-15.00-15.55	Modernising agriculture, fisheries, and animal resources (Animal Resource Session)
14.00-17.00	Modern Skill Development
14.00-16.30	Modern Industrial Possibilities
14.00-16.30	Tourism
14.00-15.45	E-governance (Session II: Decision Support Systems and Analytics)
16.00-18.00	E-governance (Session III: Legal and Policy Dimensions: Way Forward)
16.00-17.55 Session I-16.00-16.45 Session II-16.45-17.55	Modernising agriculture, fisheries, and animal resources (Fisheries Session)
17.00-19.30	Higher Education
18.00-20.30	Local Governments
<b>February 3</b> 10.00-13.00 14.00-16.30	Special Industry Session Concluding Session



**THEMATIC SESSIONS**

1. January 24, 2021: **Information Technology:** Software - 18.30 to 21.00 (IST)
2. January 27, 2021: **Information Technology:** Hardware - 10.00 to 12.30 (IST)
3. January 27, 2021: **Agriculture:** Kerala's Agriculture: The Need to Raise Productivity - 10.30 to 12.00 (IST)
4. January 28, 2021: **Animal Resources:** Productivity of Milch Cattle in Kerala - 14.30 to 15.45 (IST)



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