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A. Seminars/Webinars

GIFT conducted a Seminar on Strategic PIVOTAL Developmental Model & Alternative Innovative Inclusive Financing Kerala for Kerala's Economy on January 09, 2026

The paper was presented by Prof. Marc Oliver Opresnik, Founder & CEO, Opresnik Management Consulting, & Prof. A G Iyer, President & Founder, Markenomy Foundation, Thane. The session was chaired by Prof. K J Joseph, Director GIFT and Dr Geetha Rani V proposed the vote of thanks.

Abstract : Abstract: PIVOTAL Strategy for Public Finance: Purpose-Driven Financing for Kerala AIIIF (Alternative Innovative Investment for Inclusion Financing) can be strengthened through the PIVOTAL Strategy as a purpose-driven "infinite loop" that keeps capital providers, project operators, and citizens aligned around measurable SDG outcomes. PIVOTAL begins with Purpose (the business of doing good) and an "all stakeholders win" logic, then translates intent into continuous decisions across long-duration assets such as renewable energy, hydropower/PSPs, irrigation, and resilient infrastructure. Innovation becomes the design of new capital structures-low-cost debt, blended vehicles, and PPP/project-finance models-while Value is defined by bankable risk- return plus inclusion, reliability, and climate impact. Outreach mobilizes investors through credible narratives, data transparency, and partner ecosystems. Transfer specifies the channels, controls, and reporting that move funds efficiently to projects and beneficiaries. Finally, Advocacy and Lifetime Value build durable investor confidence and community buy-in, countering short-termism and compounding impact over 12-25 years.

Alternative Innovative Investment for Inclusion Financing /Funding The World Order is moving towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and an investment cycle, especially for Projects that require a long-term approach. Projects of Long Duration, like Infrastructure, Renewable Energy such as Hydropower & PSPs, Irrigation, etc, need long-term competitive Financing with Low IDCs, and that cannot be left to the Present Multilateral Mechanism. UNCTAD had pointed out in 2024 that the VGF (Viability Gap Funding) of \$ 544 billion then was Simply Inadequate to cover the SDG & RE build-up necessary for Climate Action, as it needed at least \$ 4-5 trillion to have any impact. Despite this, CoP 29 ultimately reduced the VGF to US\$300 billion. The Renewable Energy Promotion Association (REPA) advocates for a minimum of 10% of the Global GDP of US\$115 trillion, or approximately US\$11.5 trillion, to be committed to spending / Investment into SDG & Renewable Energy for Climate Action, which will enable developing and emerging economies to transition towards a Positive Energy Future. It is in this Background that the REPA & MARKENOMY Foundation's advocacy of AIIF brings fresh traction and hope to its Delivery, with a US\$1 trillion opportunity via ECBS (low-cost debt) at around 2.2-2.5% p.a., flexible with long-term (12-25 Years) spreads, and No Country Risk loading. Similarly, PPP Financing is another Option where projects with PPA, Hybrid Annuity IRR Returns can attract direct Project Investments without any Collateral, based on risk and return principles. A Brand-New Opportunity for Projects to build up in an SDG- aligned & RE-driven Framework.

GIFT organised a Seminar on Sex, Social Groups and Learning Mathematics in School Completion in Karnataka on January 19, 2026

The paper was presented by Prof D Narayana, Honorary Professor, GIFT and Former Director, GIFT. The session was chaired by Prof. K J Joseph, Director GIFT and the discussant of the paper was Dr Sumalatha B S Assistant Professor GIFT, Trivandrum. and Dr Geetha Rani V proposed the vote of thanks.

Abstract: Secondary School Leaving Certificate (SSLC) examination in India is an important milestone in every child's growth as it marks the completion of life and

learning in the school system and is a decider of entry into collegiate education. The Board examination at the end of ten years of schooling, in a sense, decides the fate of the child. Success in SSLC is a passport to higher education, and failure largely leads to openings only in the poorly rewarded lower rungs of the informal sector of the economy. School completion is also an issue of human capital development and economic growth. Every year, SSLC (Secondary School Leaving Certificate) examination results in Karnataka are declared as pass or fail, taking a cut-off of 40 per cent (or around) in each of the six subjects. Every year they show large inter-district variation. A satisfactory explanation of the variation in examination results is not to be found and calls for an analysis. This paper seeks to provide an explanation of the inter-district variation in SSLC pass percentage in Karnataka. First and foremost, it analyses the difference in pass percentage between girls and boys in relation to the girls' pass percentage across the 35 educational districts. It successive steps it analyses variation in the difference between girls and boys in relation to levels by medium of instruction English and Kannada, by institutions government, aided, unaided, by eight caste groups, and by subjects. The conclusion arrived at is that there exists a steep gradient in SSLC pass percentage across the districts and the difference shows a significant negative relationship with levels. As regards subjects the lowest pass percentages are in mathematics and Science. Two questions arise from this analysis. Firstly, does the difference between boys and girls exist from the early years, or does it get built as the students' progress from primary schooling. Secondly, what factors other than medium of instruction and caste composition explain the steep gradient in pass percentage across the districts? An answer to the first question is offered using a unique dataset of Grade 4 performance of boys and girls in mathematics. While levels vary in maths performance of both boys and girls vary across the districts, differences between them are not statistically significant in any of the district. Obviously, the school system contributes to systematic performance difference between boys and girls.

Post Budget Discussion on Kerala Budget 2026-27 on February 13, 2026.

The dialogue was conducted as panel discussion. The event was conducted in two panel sessions. Scholars from various sector presented their views on budget in the sessions.

GIFT organised a Two-Day Seminar on "16th Finance Commission and Fiscal Federalism" on March 18 -19, 2026.

Two-day seminar on the "16th Finance Commission and Fiscal Federalism," was conducted upon drawing top economists, policymakers, and former Finance Commission members to deliberate on India's evolving fiscal landscape. This seminar served as a crucial platform for academic and policy-level discourse as the 16th Finance Commission begins its work, as noted by Prof. K. J. Joseph, Director of GIFT during his welcome address. The event was inaugurated by Shri K. M. Chandrasekhar IAS. In his inaugural address, he emphasized the critical role of the Finance Commission in maintaining the delicate balance of resources between the Centre and States.

The discussions then moved toward the mechanics of resource sharing, chaired by Shri A. N. Jha, Member of the 14th & 15th Finance Commissions, focusing on the total pool of taxes shared with states and led by Prof. M. Govinda Rao, who steered the conversation on how funds are distributed among various states based on specific criteria. Notable panelists included Prof. Ashok Lahiri, Prof. Pinaki Chakraborty, and Dr. Haseeb A. Drabu, former Finance Minister of Jammu & Kashmir, who delivered a thought-provoking keynote address.

The second day of the seminar shifts focus toward the "last mile" of fiscal federalism. Discussions on Grants-in-Aid by Prof. Pinaki Chakraborty, and Local Finances are scheduled to be chaired Prof. M. A. Oommen, respectively. The event concluded with a Valedictory Session chaired by Shri A. N. Jha, featuring a valedictory address by Prof. M. Govinda Rao. The seminar is coordinated by GIFT Assistant Professors Dr. Kiran Kumar Kakarlapudi and Dr. Geetha Rani V.

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13th Annual Conference of Kerala Economic Association jointly organised by Kerala Economic Association in association with Kerala Institute of Labour and Employment (KILE) and Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation (GIFT) , on March 13-14, 2026 at GIFT

4th Annual Conference on Public Finance and Policy organized at Madras School of Economics, Chennai Jointly organized by Centre for Public Finance, Madras School of Economics (MSE) & Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation (GIFT) on March 23-24, 2026.

Seminar Co ordinators

Dr Kiran Kumar Kakarlapudi and Dr Geetha Rani V

B. Teaching and Training programmes

1. Post Graduate Diploma in GST (PGDGST)

Third Schedule of Classes started on 3rd January 2026 for the current batch of PGD-GST students . Invited Lectures by Sri. S Suresh, Assistant Commissioner, CGST, Sri. Kiran Lal P. S., Joint Commissioner, SGST, Adv. Sindhu Manghat, Partner Swamy Associates & Sri. Sam Jubin, Tax Practitioner, J S Associates were delivered during this period

PGD GST Course 2025-26 Exams were notified on 26th March 2026 and the candidates can register for exams till 25th April 2026.

Coordinators Dr. Meenu Mohan & Dr Geetha Rani V

For more details: <https://www.gift.res.in/index.php/course/detail/14/PGD-GST>

2. PhD programme

The activities of the Ph.D programme during January 2026 to March 2026 are listed below. The course work for the sixth batch of Ph. D is ongoing. The Ph. The faculty interaction with Mr. Ajay Narayan Jha was held on 20th January 2026 at GIFT Boardroom. This is followed by the work progress seminar presentations of all batches of PhD held during 21st to 30th January 2026. Ms. Steffy Antony, Ph.D scholar of the second batch presented her Ph.D pre submission seminar on the topic 'Fiscal consolidation in Indian states: Rationale Effectiveness and Sustainability' on 12th January 2026 at the institute. The Ph.D pre submission seminar of the Ph.D scholar Ms. Shagishna K on the topic 'Influence of religion based faith on financial inclusion in India: Incidence and Implications' was held on 16th January 2026 at GIFT. A Research Committee meeting was held on 19th January 2026 to discuss the Ph.D related activities.

Seminar Presentations

Divya Kannan K R, GIFT Ph.D Scholar presented a paper in the 4th Annual Conference on Public Finance and Policy jointly organised by Madras School of Economics and GIFT from 23-24 March 2026.

Amalu Seby, GIFT Ph.D Scholar presented a paper titled 'Examining the Feldstein-Horioka Puzzle in OECD Countries: Evidence from Asymmetric Causality Testing Approach' at the Diamond Jubilee (60th) Annual Conference of the Indian Econometric Society (TIES), organised by Department of Economics, Autonomous, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra from February 26 to 28, 2026.

Anuraj P K, GIFT Ph.D scholar presented a paper titled 'An Empirical Study of Revenue-Expenditure Dynamics: Evidence from Southern Indian States' at the Diamond Jubilee (60th) Annual Conference of the Indian Econometric Society (TIES), organised by the Department of Economics, Autonomous, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra from February 26 to 28, 2026.

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Anjalikrishna Sudhakaran, GIFT Ph.D scholar presented a paper titled 'Financial Concurrency of Public Education Expenditure in India' at the Diamond Jubilee (60th) Annual Conference of the Indian Econometric Society (TIES), organised by Department of Economics, Autonomous, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra from February 26 to 28, 2026.

Shahid P K, GIFT Ph.D scholar presented the term paper titled 'The Redistributive Impact of Taxation: Does the Composition Matter? Evidence from a Cross-Country Panel Analysis' in the 4th Annual Conference on Public Finance and Policy jointly organised by Madras School of Economics and GIFT from 23-24 March 2026.

Workshop attended/ presentation

Joyal P Joseph, GIFT Ph.D Scholar presented the paper titled 'Impact of Monetary Policy on Sub national Inflation' in the second workshop on Open Economy Macroeconomics and Economic Integration in Emerging Market Economies, organized by the RBI Endowment at the Centre for Development Studies (CDS) from 19th to 24th February 2026.

Adithya Krishnan, GIFT Ph.D scholar presented a paper in the second Workshop on Open Economy Macroeconomics and Economic Integration in Emerging Market Economies, organized by the RBI Endowment at the Centre for Development Studies (CDS) from 19th to 24th February 2026.

Surya K, GIFT Ph.D scholar presented a paper in the second workshop on Open Economy Macro Economics and Economic Integration in Emerging Market Economies-Organized by the RBI endowment at CDS from 19th to 24th January 2026.

Anuraj P.K, GIFT Ph.D scholar attended an online training session on "EconLit with Full Text" organized by ICSSR NASSDOC on 30th March 30, 2026.

Anjalikrishna Sudhakaran, GIFT Ph.D scholar attended the five-day National Workshop on Financial Modelling, scheduled from 24th to 28th March 2026 at the

Department of Commerce, School of Business Management and Legal Studies, Kariavattom Campus, Thiruvananthapuram.

Greeshma K S, GIFT Ph.D scholar presented a paper in the workshop on Open Economy Macro Economics and Economic Integration in Emerging Market Economies organized by the RBI endowment at CDS on 19th to 24th January 2026.

Annie Antony Pinto, GIFT Ph.D scholar presented a paper titled as 'Is Public Debt Redistributive? Evidence from India' in the national seminar held at Madras School of Economics jointly organised by MSE - GIFT, on 23-24 March 2026.

Jubairiya P M, GIFT Ph.D scholar attended the third Summer Training Programme in Public Finance held at the Madras School of Economics, Chennai.

Manju Preman, GIFT Ph.D scholar presented a paper on 'Public expenditure titled "Electoral Incentives and Public Expenditure in India: A Sub-national Analysis' in the national seminar held at Madras School of Economics jointly organised by MSE - GIFT, on 23-24 March 2026.

News Paper Article

Anjalikrishna Sudhakaran, GIFT Ph.D scholar along with Dr. Aswathy Rachel Varugheese, Assistant Professor, GIFT published an article titled 'Don't neglect Higher Education' in the Businessline on 6th February, 2026.
<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/opinion/dont-neglect-higher-education/article70596744.ece>

Others

Rhwithwik M S, GIFT Ph.D scholar worked as a Research Associate for the Economic Survey report of Tamil Nadu from October 13th 2025 to February 12th 2026 at the Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai.
https://tamildigitallibrary.in/assets/docs/uploads/catalogue_article_file/BOK/upload/2026/02/TVA_TVA_BOK_062955/upload_primary_20260216113955411_20260216113539.pdf

Kalaiyaran, A., & Rhwithwik, M. S. (2026). Budget 2026-27: How does South India fare (Issue Brief No. 1). Deccan Centre for International Relations. <https://www.deccancentre.org/pages/MzA>

Rhwithwik, M. S. (2026, February 21). The flawed logic of the Finance Commission. The Left Views. <https://www.leftviews.in/en-IN/economy-26266/views-02385/finance-commission-fiscal-policy-states-privatisation-critique>

Course Coordinators: Dr Sumalatha B S and Dr Renjith P S

3. Research Capacity Building Program (RCBP)

The Research Capacity Building Program (RCBP) on Data Analytics Using Python, jointly organised by the Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation (GIFT) and the Kerala State Higher Education Council (KSHEC), is a three-month certificate programme, comprising 72 hours of structured training delivered fully in online mode, has witnessed strong participation, with over 100 participants enrolled from diverse academic and professional backgrounds. The programme was successfully completed in the month of February 2026. Certificates were distributed to the successful candidates. The feedback from the participants were highly encouraging, particularly highlighting the course's hands-on pedagogy, interactive learning environment, and practical exposure to Python programming, data handling and visualisation, statistical analysis, and applied research workflows.

Course Coordinators: Dr Aswathy Rachel Varughes and Dr Akhil M P

C. Publications

1. Kerala Tax Reporter (KTR)

October, November and December 2025 issues of KTR published Online and offline.

<https://www.gift.res.in/ktr>

2. Innovation and Development

A Routledge journal from GIFT, Volume 16, No. 1 (2026) published, Editor in Chief, K J Joseph.

For details, please visit <https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/riad20/current>

3. Weekly update on Finance, Taxation and the Indian Economy

This is an attempt by the Young Scholar' Forum in GIFT, led by Smt Soudhamini G S, Assistant Librarian to update on important developments on Finance, Taxation and the Indian economy. Twelve issues of Weekly updates published during January to March 2026 which are available in GIFT Website. Latest issue: 21-27 March 2026.

For details, please visit https://www.gift.res.in/index.php/publish/publish_list/14/Weekly-Updates-on-Finance

4. Monthly Content Alert from GIFT Library

The GIFT library provides a monthly content alert service, extensively designed to support the research endeavors of our PhD scholars. This attempt provides a selection of recently published journal article titles, abstracts, and links, delivering them directly to the GIFT community each month. The content alert service is more than just a monthly update and the initiative aims to be an indispensable tool for scholars, providing them with timely access to the latest research developments in their fields. It is drawn from a wide array of reputed journals.

Twelve issues of the content alert service have been published, covering the period from January to March 2026. The preparation of this content alert is led by Smt Soudhamini G S, Assistant Librarian, GIFT. Latest issue: March 27, Vol. 12. Part 4, 2026.

D. Faculty Publications

1. GIFT Discussion Paper

D K Srivastava (2026), Equalization Transfers in India and Profiles of Inequality,, GIFT Discussion Paper Series No.1/2026

Abstract:Fiscal transfers to states in India have been guided by the equalization principle among other considerations. The outcomes of such transfers have been equalizing in relation to a number of dimensions including education and health outcomes, per capita state primary revenue expenditures and per capita consumption expenditures. There is also a decrease in the incidence of poverty. We juxtapose these outcomes with a profile of growing inequality in per capita real GSDP as well as per capita fiscal capacity as proxied by nominal GSDP. These two profiles show directionally opposite trends. We explore what causes these opposite movements and highlight the role of market forces in inducing spatial concentration patterns of capital stock and investment flows. We consider policy options to moderate or reverse this pattern of growing divergence in per capita incomes across states.

Key Words: Equalization, Gini inequality coefficient, Theil inequality index, Herfindahl Hirschman concentration ratio, capital stock, fiscal transfers, education and health, infrastructure.

2. Faculty publications and presentations/involvement

Prof K J Joseph, Director, GIFT

Paper Submitted for the Fourth Annual International Conference	September 15, 2025.	The conference, themed "Sustainable Development: Theory, Practice, Approach, and Policy," held on November 10-11, 2025, at North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong.
Vision 2031 International conference Kochi	October 13, 2025	VISION 2031 : An International Conference on Development and Democracy-Session Committee
Round Table Conference on Fiscal Federalism, NIAS, Bangalore	November 7, 2025	The NIAS Democracy Forum, in association with the Hanns Seidel Foundation, Germany, is organised a Round Table Conference on "Effective Fiscal Federalism and Decentralised Governance for Viksit Bharat" on November 7, 2025. The primary objective of this conference is to deliberate on the key issues of fiscal federalism and explore how they can contribute to achieving India's developmental goals. In recognition of your deep expertise on the subject, it is my privilege to invite you to participate as a resource person at this conference, delivering a lecture on a topic of your choice related to the conference theme.
Stakeholder Engagement Meeting with AG	31st October 2025	The Accountant General (Audit II) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
Invitation - Ideation Workshop on Exploring Federal Governance Practices in India and Germany on 4 November 2025 in Delhi	on 4 November 2025	Hanns Seidel Foundation (HSF) India, in collaboration with the Comparative Federalists Research Group of the Department of Political Science, University of Delhi, is organized an Ideation Workshop on Exploring Federal Governance Practices in India and Germany on 4 November 2025 in Delhi. The workshop is designed as a working session to co-define priorities, objectives, and responsibilities for a structured academic cooperation between India and Germany in the field of fiscal federalism and good governance.
Participation in a public-facing event on the Govt. guarantee research	5th November 2025 at Taj M.G. Road, Bengaluru.	Event is scheduled on <i>Role of E-governance in implementation of the guarantee schemes.</i> I request and invite you to Chair this session. Your participation is important to receive the valuable feedback on the Government of Karnataka's model and implementation strategies of the guarantee schemes (especially, DBT-based) through e-governance initiatives. This is useful for improvements in policy design, implementation and outcomes of the guarantee

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		schemes in Government of Karnataka.
Prof K K Subramanian Memorial Lecture 2025, Thrissur	22 nd November 2025	Dreaming with kerala : Plausible Pathways to Prosperous Society
Globelics	November 22nd and 28 th 2025	Globelics International Conference 2025 - South Africa
GST Awareness Program	November 5th, 2025	The Central Travancore Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Department of Commerce, CMS College, Kottayam jointly organized a GST Awareness Program, aimed at providing basic knowledge and practical insights to the Chamber members and the final-year B.Com students of CMS College.
University of Kerala, Kariyavattom	10-12 December 2025	Micro Evidence on Innovation and Development Conference 2025 [MEIDE]
A Virtual Lecture on "Goods and Service Tax and India's Fiscal Federalism: Which way now?" held on January 23, 2026 (through online)	January 23, 2026 (through online)	SPIESR, Ahmedabad cordially invites you to attend a Virtual lecture on 'Goods and Service Tax and India's Fiscal Federalism: Which way now?'
Resource Person – National Seminar in Tribute to Dr P. J. Thomas	on 5 & 6 February 2026	St Thomas College Palai Autonomous, cordially invites you to serve as a Resource Person for a National Seminar on “ GST Reforms: Impact on MSMEs, Start-ups, Entrepreneurship, and State Governments ” held on 5 & 6 February 2026, commemorating the 60th death anniversary of Dr P. J. Thomas (1895-1965), eminent economist and the founding Principal of our College.
CDS	6th February	Editorial Perspective session at the annual PhD Colloquium Crossroads 2.0
National Research Conference & Higher education Expo 2026	9 to 11th February 2026	Govt. Women's College Vazhuthakkdu
16th FC Panel Discussion CESS	25th February 2026	Centre for Economics and social Studies, Hyderabad

Understanding GST 20. GST and Indian Economy	6th and 7th March 2026	Invitation from Department of economics St. Xavier's University Kolkatta
Sardar Patel Institute of Economic and Social Research (SPIESR), Near Doordarshan Kendra, Thaltej Road, Ahmedabad – 380054, Gujarat, India.	6th and 7th March 2026	National Seminar on “Socio-economic Implications of GST: Introduction and Reforms” March 6-7, SPIESR Ahmedabad
Beja Model College Of Arts And Science National Seminar	10 March 2026	Fiscal federalism at cross roads: rethinking Indian fiscal relations
Centre for Public Finance Madras School of Economics Gandhi Mandapam Road, Kotturpuram Chennai 600025	23-24 March 2026	4th Annual Conference on Public Finance and Policy
Layola School of Kindergarten	27 March 2026	Graduation & Merit day
CDS	March 28–29, 2026	Two day international conference on “Socio-Economic Impacts of GST in India: Introduction, Reforms, Consumption Patterns, and Fiscal Federalism”,
TKM Institute of Management Kollam	31st March 2026	9th Research Conference and Deliver Keynote address

Dr Vidya V Devan

Project Submitted

- A project titled "Change In Legal Framework & Local Government Revenue: A Study of Kerala in the Context of Goods and Services Tax (GST) In A

Comparative Analysis Submitted to the 7th Kerala State Finance Commission in January 2026 jointly with Meenu Mohan and Anitha Kumary L

Newspaper /Popular Article

- നടപ്പാക്കാൻ ഏകലക്ഷ്യം, നൽകാൻ വിവിധ മാനദണ്ഡങ്ങൾ, മലയാളം samakalikamalayalam The New Indian Express, on
- 02 Jan 2026, https://www.samakalikamalayalam.com/premium/news-plus/kerala-economy-policy-climateource=whatsapp&utm_medium=whatsapp-group&utm_campaign=clicks
- “സിനിമാ ടിക്കറ്റുകളിലെ വിനോദ നികുതി”, കേരളകൗമുദി on 22nd February 2026. (Daily News Paper) co authored with Meenu Mohan and Anitha Kumary L

Presentation

'Protecting The Gift Of Life: State Responsibility In Promoting Organ Donation And Preventing Organ Trafficking' in the International Conference on Medical Law Policy and Ethics held on 27th and 28th February 2026, jointly organised by Universite Paris Nantre(France), Kerala Law Academy Law College (India) Europa Universitat Viadrina (Germany) and Universite Franco-Allemande (Germany) at the Kerala Law Academy Law College Campus, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.

FDPs Attended

1. One Week Online Faculty Development Programme for Law Teachers on Interpretation of Statutes jointly organised by HRSPM'S Sarsenapati Hambirrao Mohite Law College, Rajgurunagar and Law teachers in India from January 12 to January 18, 2026.
2. One Week Online Faculty Development Programme for Law Teachers on 'Judicial Process' jointly organised by Bharati Vidyapeeth's New Law College, Sangli and Law Teachers India conducted from 11th February 2026 to 17th February 2026.

News paper articles

- Nirmal Roy V P, Anitha Kumary L & Sumalatha B S (2026). 'Kerala Budget: A Budget for the State's New Normal, published in Business Line on 02/02/2026.
- Anitha Kumary L, Sumalatha B S and Nirmal Roy V P (2026). Budget's Fiscal Consolidation drive my hit Growth momentum, published in Business Line on 06/02/2026.

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