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PREFACE

This Handbook is a revised and enlarged edition of the Publication "Economic Progress in Figures" published by the Department in 1978. It seeks to present basic details of the vital sectors of the economy of the State. Efforts have been made to incorporate up-to-date information on almost all sectors of the economy to the extent possible.

Data presented in this handbook are collected from various departments of the Government and official publications. Data from surveys conducted by the Bureau have also been utilised.

It is hoped that the publication will be useful as a ready reckoner of facts and figures about Kerala's Economy.

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Statistics, Trivandrum.

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KERALA ECONOMY IN FIGURES

General

1. Area	Sq. K.M.	38864
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Population

Items	Unit	1961 Census	1971 Census
1. Population	Lakhs	169	213
2. Male Population	do.	84	106
3. Female Population	do.	85	107
4. Rural Population	do.	144	179
5. Urban Population	do.	25	34
6. Population per Sq. Km.	Nos.	435	549
7. Females per 1000 males	do.	1022	1016
8. Decade variation in Population	Percentage	25	26
9. Literacy	do.	47	60
Male	do.	55	67
Female	do.	39	54
10. Birth rate	Per '000	38.9*	31.6†
11. Death rate	do.	16.1	9.1†
Estimated population for 1978=246 in lakhs			

*Based on Census data (1951-60).

†Sample Registration.

Agriculture

<i>Items</i>	<i>Unit</i>	1956-57	1961-62	1971-72	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78
Area according to village papers	'000 hectares	3809	3858	3858	3885	3885	3885
Forest	do.	1018	1056	1055	1082	1082	1082
Land not available for cultivation	do.	453	400	373	358	355	343
Net Area sown	do.	1808	1932	2187	2189	2201	2201
Total Cropped Area	do.	2178	2341	2958	2981	2933	2924
Production of Rice	'000 Tonnes	887	1004	1352	1321	1254	1295
Production of Tapioca	do.	1449	1619	5429	5390	5126	4189
Production of Black Pepper	do.	27	27	25	25	25	20
Production of Coconuts	Million nuts	3182	3247	4054	3439	3348	3053
Production of Tea	'000 Tonnes	35	38	43	43	42	52
Production of Coffee	do.	7	8	14	14	15	28
Production of Rubber	do.	22	25	89	129	139	136
Per capita Production of Rice	K.g.	57	58	62	56	52	54

Source: Area and Production estimates—Bureau of Economics & Statistics
 (a) Upto 1971-72 LUS
 (b) 1975-76 to 1977-78 TRS

Items	Unit	1956-57	1961-62	1971-72	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78
Irrigation. & Power							
Area irrigated (Net)	'000 hect.	256.00	327.00	439.00	218.92	221.00	240.00*
Consumers of power	1000 No.	94.00	199.00	638.00	910.00	991.00	1072.01
Per capita consumption of power per annum	Units	19.34	35.35	73.00	84.90	88.45	96.47
Per capita consumption for domestic purpose	"	1.26	2.68	4.51	8.46	9.45	10.34
Per capita consumption for commercial purpose	"	0.07	0.09	3.37	4.40	4.32	5.40

*Provisional

Items	Unit	1956-57	1961-62	1971-72	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78
Per capita Consumption for industrial purpose	Units	14.29	27.75	56.60	61.55	63.90	71.21
Per capita consumption for agriculture purpose	"	0.69	1.02	3.08	5.07	4.24	3.25
Industries							
Registered working factories	Nos.	N.A.	*2559	3487	†6317	6921†	*7625
Estimated average							
Daily employment in factories	1000 Nos.	N.A.	*18	226	†264	281	286

*Calendar year 1962, 1972
†do. 1975, 1976, 1977

District-wise Distribution of Non-agricultural sector (Establishments and own Account Enterprises)—Number and Employment—1977

Districts	Establishments (where at least one hired worker is employed on fairly regular basis)			Own Account enterprises (without any hired worker)		Total Non-agricultural Enterprises	
	Number	Number of persons (both household and hired)	(3)	Number of persons employed	Number	Number of persons employed (both household & hired)	(7)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(6)	(7)
Trivandrum	22359	193944	51970	62129	74329	255473	
Quilon	17898	232955	54678	66192	72576	299147	
Alleppey	17901	136428	73736	102399	91637	238827	
Kottayam	12107	83947	49083	59822	61190	143769	
Idukki	5584	44197	13038	14102	18622	58299	
Ernakulam	22565	201539	53948	67545	76513	269084	
Trichur	16312	120634	55326	62015	71638	182649	
Palghat	10628	76330	36463	42790	47091	119120	
Malappuram	12773	65366	34370	35608	47143	100974	
Kozhikode	17946	123383	47725	51938	65671	175321	
Cannanore	17503	146812	46793	56890	64296	203702	
State	173576	1424935	517130	621430	690706	2046365	

Note:—This does not include the own account enterprises in certain forest area in Kozhikode, Idukki and Quilon Districts. The number of own account enterprises in such areas is however considered to be very small.

Items Unit 1956-57 1961-62 1971-72 1975-76 1976-77 1977-78

Co-operation

Agricultural credit societies	Nos.	2098	2259	1842	N.A.	1646	1629
Non-Agricultural credit Societies	Nos.	371	336	388	N.A.	523	541

Fisheries

Marine fish landing in Kerala— Quantity	'000 tonnes	N.A.	257	405	408	317	341
Marine fish landing in Kerala—value	Rs. in lakhs	N.A.	356	3231	8370	6392	8679
Export of Marine products—quantity	Tonnes	N.A.	7	22	32	32	30
Export of Marine products—value	Rs. crores	N.A.	2.41	33.70	67.61	90.12	77

Communication

Length of P.W.D. Roads— Total	'000 KM	10	N.A.	15	15	N.A.	16
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Items	Unit	1956-57	1961-62	1971-72	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78
Length of P.W.D. Roads (Surfaced)	'000 K.M.	7	N.A.	13	12	N.A.	14
Length of Railways	K.M.	748	888	889.93	889.93	886.95	886.35
Post Offices	Nos.	N.A.	2187	3920	4030	4117	4228
Telegraph Offices	"	N.A.	376	693	1200	1208	1309
Telephone Exchanges	"	N.A.	81	248	303	334	371
Telephone connections	"	N.A.	16852	41207	65082	74029	78552*
Radio Licenses	Nos.	N.A.	62153	481970	928298	923839	1123680
Education							
Lower Primary Schools	Nos.	7882	6928	6895	6975	6992	7013
Upper Primary Schools	"	1665	1925	2551	2606	2718	2732
High Schools	"	763	989	1393	1521	1666	1680
Students at primary stage (Std. I to IV)	'000	1791	2145	2898	2670	2608	2650
Students at upper primary stage (Std. V to VII)	"	803	886	1331	1707	1742	1755
Students at High School stage (Std. VIII to X)	"	267	428	750	908	1004	1088
Teachers in Schools	"	81	115	147	158	164	167
Arts and Science Colleges	Nos.	28	47	117	128	130	130
Students in Arts and Science Colleges	'000	25	42	116	165	176	185
Professional Colleges	Nos.	12	37	38	39	40	45
Students in Professional Colleges	"	2640	7454	7505	12546	13186(P)	N.A.

Per capita

Government expenditure on education

Rs.

Health & Family Planning

Medical Institutions

(Government and grant in aid Allopathy)

Nos.

Medical Institutions (Ayurveda)

Nos.

Medical Institutions (Homoeopathy)

"

Beds in Medical Institution (Government and grant-in-aid Allopathy)

"

Beds in Medical Institutions (Ayurveda)

Nos.

Beds in Medical Institutions (Homoeopathy)

"

N.A.	10.72	30.30	52.48	59.42	60.11
331	422	571	885	888	893
N.A.	39	53	63	67	67
N.A.	11	N.A.	121	122	122
9405	14108	23386	27568	27607	28862
283	613	755	1282	1352	1362
N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	250	275	300

* Approximate.
(P) Provisional

Number of Ration Cards issued and units as on March 1978

Districts	No. of Ration Cards			Units		
	Urban*	Rural	Total	Urban*	Rural	Total
Trivandrum	107171	363383	470554	988184	3333094	4321278
Quilon	30539	481073	461612	318838	4163159	4481997
Alleppey	56449	335712	392161	559542	3229996	3789538
Kottayam	30967	238483	269450	315763	2451591	2767354
Idukki	..	153133	153133	..	1520747	1520747
Ernakulam	100277	296486	396763	1049915	3063222	4113137
Trichur	41936	360011	401947	441731	3749752	4191483
Palghat	26397	305403	331800	242742	2837000	3079742
Malappuram	11116	329025	340141	118076	3427250	3545326
Kozhikode	75940	319478	395418	730622	3212899	3943521
Cannanore	32538	391200	423738	318492	4026634	4345126
Total	513330	3523367	4036717	5083905	35015344	40099249

*Comprises only Corporation and Municipalities

Source: Board of Revenue (G.S.)

Number of Ration Cards issued and units as on March 1979

	No. of cards			Units		
	Urban*	Rural	Total	Urban*	Rural	Total
	Trivandrum	111619	352957	464576	1043308	3217760
Quilon	31110	437213	468323	322186	4172814	4495000
Alleppey	56763	337202	393965	560245	3227996	3788241
Kottayam	31200	237294	268494	315491	2247170	2562661
Idukki	..	153249	153249	..	1521196	1521196
Ernakulam	159176	237245	396421	1639866	2463917	4103783
Trichur	42276	361167	403443	443017	3750318	4193335
Palghat	32722	299644	332366	302309	2780098	3082407
Malappuram	26640	317139	343779	301500	3258469	3559969
Kozhikode	75908	344589	420497	738978	3432259	4171237
Cannanore	32287	370376	402663	313614	3816735	4130349
Total	599701	3448075	4047776	5980514	33888732	39869246

* Comprises only Corporations and Municipalities.

Source: Board of Revenue (C.S.)

Number of Holdings and Area under Paddy

Stages	Punja 1977		Virippu 1977		Mundakan 1978		Virippu 1978		Punja 1978	
	No. of holdings	Area in acres	No. of holdings	Area in acres	No. of holdings	Area in acres	No. of holdings	Area in acres	No. of holdings	Area in acres
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
Upto 2 acres	143294	126168	865660	634241	804069	564475	851543	619212	139833	131875
2 to 5 acres	14598	44869	51926	153471	37065	107588	53304	156532	13375	41206
5 to 10 acres	1597	10391	5287	34364	3149	19965	5689	36946	1372	9091
Above 10 acres	140	2144	427	5332	185	2246	352	4519	115	1744
Total	159629	183572	923300	827408	844468	694274	910888	817209	154695	183916

Source: Board of Revenue (G.S., Trivandrum)

POLITICAL AWARENESS

1. Number of Voters—1977

	<i>Females</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Total</i>
General	5770854	5628666	11399520
Service	14574	47353	61927
Total	5785428	5676019	11461447

2. Number of Constituencies

	<i>General</i>	<i>S.C.</i>	<i>S.T.</i>	<i>Total</i>
1. House of the people	18	2	--	20
2. Kerala Legislative Assembly	128	10	2	140
3. Nomination to Legislative Assembly (Anglo-Indian)	1	--	--	--
4. Total No. of Polling Stations	--	--	--	10679

Source: Election Department.

Name of Taluks

Trivandrum District

1. Neyyattinkara
2. Trivandrum
3. Nedumangad
4. Chirayinkil

3. Parur
4. Alwaye
5. Kunnathunad
6. Muvattupuzha
7. Kothamangalam

Quilon District

1. Quilon
2. Karunagappally
3. Kunnathur
4. Pathanamthitta
5. Pathanapuram
6. Kottarakkara

Trichur District

1. Kodungallur
2. Mukundapuram
3. Chavakkad
4. Trichur
5. Talappilly

Alleppey District

1. Karthigappally
2. Mavelikkara
3. Chengannoor
4. Thiruvalla
5. Kuttanad
6. Ambalapuzha
7. Sherthalai

Palghat District

1. Chittur
2. Alathur
3. Palghat
4. Ottappalam
5. Mannarghat

Kottayam District

1. Changanacherry
2. Kanjirappally
3. Kottayam
4. Meenachil
5. Vaikom

Malappuram District

1. Ponnani
2. Tirur
3. Perinthalmanna
4. Ernad

Idukki District

1. Peermade
2. Thodupuzha
3. Udumbanchola
4. Devikulam

Kozhikode District

1. Badagara
2. South Wynad
3. Kozhikode
4. Quilandy

Cannanore District

1. North Wynad
2. Tellicherry
3. Cannanore
4. Taliparamba
5. Hosdurg
6. Kasargod

Ernakulam District

1. Cochin
2. Kanayannur

District-wise list of C. D. Blocks

<i>District</i>	<i>District Total</i>	<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>C.D. Blocks</i>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1. Trivandrum	12	1	Parassala
		2	Perumkadavila
		3	Athiyannoor
		4	Nemom
		5	Trivandrum Rural
		6	Kazhakuttam
		7	Velland
		8	Nedumangad
		9	Vamanapuram
		10	Kilimanoor
		11	Chirayinkil
		12	Varkala
2. Quilon	17	13	Ithikara
		14	Mukhathala
		15	Anchalumoodu
		16	Chittumala
		17	Chavara
		18	Karunagapally
		19	Ochira
		20	Sasthamcotta
		21	Parakode
		22	Elanthur
		23	Ranni
		24	Konni
		25	Pathanapuram
		26	Anchal
		27	Chadayamangalam
		28	Vettikavala
		29	Kottarakkara
3. Alleppey	17	30	Muthukulam
		31	Haripad
		32	Bharanicavu
		33	Mavelikkara
		34	Pandalam
		35	Kulanada
		36	Chengannoor
		37	Koipuram
		38	Mallappally
		39	Pulikkeezh
		40	Veliyanad
		41	Champakulam
		42	Ambalapuzha
		43	Aryad
		44	Kanjikuzhy
		45	Pattanakad
46	Thycattussery		

<i>District</i>	<i>District Total</i>	<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>C. D. Clocks</i>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
4. Kottayam	11	47	Madapally
		48	Pallam
		49	Pampady
		50	Vazhur
		51	Kanjirappally
		52	Ettumanoor
		53	Uzhavur
		54	Lalam
		55	Erattupettah
		56	Kaduthuruthy
		57	Vaikom
5. Idukki	4	58	Arudai
		59	Devikulam
		60	Thodupuzha
		61	Elamdesom
6. Ernakulam	15	62	Palluruthi
		63	Vypeen
		64	Mulamthuruthy
		65	Vythila
		66	Edapally
		67	Alangad
		68	Parur
		69	Vazhakulam
		70	Parakkadavu
		71	Ankamaly
		72	Vadavucode
		73	Koovappady
		74	Pampakuda
		75	Kothamangalam
76	Moovattupuzha		
7. Trichur	17	77	Cranganmore
		78	Mala
		79	Vellangallur
		80	Chalakkudy
		81	Kodakara
		82	Irinjalakuda
		83	Ollukkara
		84	Puzhakkal
		85	Cherpu
		86	Anthikkad
		87	Vadakkancherry
		88	Chowannur
		89	Pazhayannur
		90	Mathilakam
91	Thalikulam		
92	Chowghat		
93	Mullasserri		

<i>District</i>	<i>District Total</i>	<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>C. D. Blocks</i>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
8. Palghat	12	94	Thrithala
		95	Pattambi
		96	Ottapalam
		97	Coyalmannam
		98	Alathur
		99	Kollengode
		100	Nenmara
		101	Chittur
		102	Palghat
		103	Shreekrishnapuram
		104	Mannarghat
105	Attappady		
9. Malappuram	13	106	Andathode
		107	Ponnani
		108	Tirur
		109	Kuttiapuram
		110	Tanur
		111	Mankada
		112	Perinthalmanna
		113	Vengara
		114	Thirurangadi
		115	Malappuram
		116	Manjeri
		117	Kondotty
118	Wandoor		
10. Kozhikode	14	119	Kozhikode
		120	Kunnamangalam
		121	Chevayoor
		122	Koduvally
		123	Kalpatta
		124	Sulthan's Battery
		125	Balussery
		126	Panthalayani
		127	Melady
		128	Perambra
		129	Badagara
		130	Thodannur
		131	Kunnumel
132	Tuneri		
11. Cannanore	12	133	Mananthody
		134	Kuthuparamba
		135	Tellicherry
		136	Edakkad
		137	Cannanore
		138	Irikkur
		139	Taliparamba
		140	Payyannur
		141	Neeseswar
		142	Kanhangad
		143	Kasargod
144	Manjeswar		

India

Item	India						
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	1970-71	1970-61	1970-71	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78	
Geographical Area							
*Population:		M.Sq.	3.27	3.27	3.29	3.29	3.29
Total		Million	439	548	606*	626	631
Rural		"	360	439	479*	493	N.A.
Urban		"	79	109	127*	131	N.A.
Birth rate		Per '000	42	37	35*	34.3	N.A.
Death rate		"	23	16	16*	15	N.A.
National Income		"
* Net National Product:		"
At Current Prices		Rs. '000 Million	133	345	603	666	732
At Constant Prices		"	133	191	220	401**	434**
Per Capita Income:							
At Current Prices		Rs.	306	637	1005	1081	1163
At Constant Prices		"	306	353	366	656**	690**

*As on First March 1976

**Base year 1970-71

Item	Unit	1960-61	1970-71	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Public Expenditure						
Education & Science	Rs. Million	2350	9620	20374	N.A.	N.A.
Medical & Public Health	"	980	3500	6627	N.A.	N.A.
Agriculture, Irrigation & Electricity	"	2890	7300	24081	N.A.	N.A.
Agriculture						
Net Area Sown	M. Hectare	133	141	143	141(p)	N.A.
Area Sown more than once	"	20	25	28	26(p)	N.A.
Net Irrigated Area	"	25	31	34	35(p)	N.A.
Consumption of Fertilizers	1000 tonnes	306	2256	2754	3431	4191
Production of Foodgrains	Metric tonnes	82	108	121	112	126(p)

(p) Provisional

Item	Unit						
	1960-61	1970-71	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(7)
Railways							
Route length	..	'000 km.	57	60	60	61	N.A.
Passenger kilometre	..	'000 million	78	118	149	164	N.A.
Passenger coaches	..	'000 million	28	35	37	37	N.A.
Net earnings	..	Rs. million	973	1602	1925	3172	N.A.
Roads							
Surfaced	..	'000 km.	263	421	513	N.A.	N.A.
Unsurfaced	..	"	261	543	787	N.A.	N.A.
Motor Vehicles on Road	..	'000	665	1859	2635	2937(p)	N.A.

(p) Provisional

Item	Unit	1960-61	1970-71	1975-76	1976-77	1977-78
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Postal and other Services						
Post Offices	..	'000	77	109	119	121
Telegraph Offices	..	"	12	15	20	21
Telephones	..	"	463	1293	1914	2086
Radio Licenses	..	Million	2	12	17	17.4*
Television Licenses	..	'000	..	25	455	479*
						677*

*Refers calendar year

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