Plenary Session
3.15 pm 4.30 pm, 20th November 2019

Welcome address
S. Harikishore IAS
Executive Director, Kudumbashree

Chair
Sarada Muraleedharan IAS
Principal Secretary, LSGD, Kerala

Report
Dr. Joy Elamon
Director, Kerala Institute of Local Administration

Concluding Address
K.K. Shailaja
Hon’ble Minister for Health and Social Welfare

Vote of Thanks
Amrida G.S.
Programme Officer, Kudumbashree
Kudumbashree, the State Poverty Eradication Mission of the Government of Kerala and Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA) are jointly organising a National Workshop on Elderly-Friendly Communities. Scheduled for 19th and 20th November 2019 at Mascot Hotel, Thiruvananthapuram, the workshop has been conceived in the context of the challenges posed by demographic transition.

Shri A.C. Moideen, Hon’ble Minister for Local Self Government, Government of Kerala will inaugurate the workshop at 10 am on 19th November. Technical sessions featuring national and international experiences and various knowledge domains will follow this. The workshop will conclude with a plenary session addressed by Smt K.K. Shylaja, Hon’ble Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Government of Kerala in the afternoon on 20th November.

The workshop will examine the demographic transition that the State is undergoing and the challenges that it poses as the proportion of the elderly rises in the State’s population. The social implications of demographic transition and the readiness that the healthcare system has to ensure will be examined. There are sessions that feature the issues of developing a reliable system for geriatric care which will look into specific challenges of mobility and active ageing.

The workshop will examine the social justice dimension of ageing and health care for the elderly by throwing light on the vulnerable sections of the society. It will probe dementia as a special topic as the condition poses specific challenges to elderly care in general and healthcare in particular. Technological challenges and trends in assistive technologies will also be discussed.

The workshop will deliberate on the emerging ‘care economy’, exploring the economic and social challenges and opportunities in care-giving and palliative care. Different models from the public sector as well as not-for-profit and private sectors will be examined. Various models that have emerged in the sector through local government initiatives will be presented and discussed as part of this.

The workshop is expected to help in developing new strategies and programmes for moving towards elderly-friendly communities.

Dr Joy Elamon, Director, KILA
S. Harikishore IAS, Executive Director, Kudumbashree

Opening Session,
10.00 am to 11.30 am, 19th November 2019

Welcome Address:
Sri. Sajith Sukumaran
COO, Kudumbashree NRO

Presidential Address:
T.K. Jose IAS
Additional Chief Secretary, LSGD, Government of Kerala

Elderly Friendly Communities Concept:
S. Harikishore IAS
Executive Director, Kudumbashree

Introduction to the Workshop:
Dr Joy Elamon
Director, Kerala Institute of Local Administration

Inaugural Address:
A.C. Moideen
Hon’ble Minister for Local Self Government, Kerala

Felicitations:
V.V. Rameshan
Chairman, Chamber of Municipal Chairmen, Kerala
Adv K. Thulasibhai
President, Grama Panchayat Presidents Association

Vote of Thanks:
Pramod K.V.
Programme Officer, Kudumbashree

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

- Ageing and Its Challenges
- Challenges in Elderly Care
- The Care Economy – Challenges and Opportunities
- Elderly-Friendly Local Governments
- Elderly-Friendly Communities – The Social Justice Dimension
- Geriatric Care – Challenges and Opportunities
- Towards Elderly-Friendly Communities