



## **KERALA STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**

### **Report of the Session on Kannur District Development Seminar**

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**Date** : July 28-29, 2023

**Organizer** : Pattiam Gopalan Memorial Study & Research Centre

**Location** : Nayanar Academy, Kannur

The Pattiam Gopalan Memorial Study & Research Centre organized a comprehensive District Development Seminar at Nayanar Academy in Kannur on July 28-29, 2023. The seminar focused on 22 identified topics that primarily covered socio-economic, cultural, agricultural, and environmental aspects of the district. One of the central themes of the seminar was "disaster management" due to the increasing challenges posed by changing climate patterns, resulting in various disasters in recent years such as landslides, flash floods, coastal erosion, gusty winds, lightning strikes, and soil piping in the Kannur district. Ms. Remya R (Meteorologist) and Mr. Fahad Marzook (Hazard Analyst) represented the Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) as invited delegates. Ms. Remya R delivered a lecture on the topic "Monsoon related hazards and preventive measures in Kerala" and the presentation focused on various monsoonal hazards specifically affecting Kannur district and suggested possible preventive measures. In addition to Ms. Remya R's talk, the seminar covered a range of disaster management-related topics. These topics likely included heat related hazards, lightning safety, climate change adaptation strategies, wind hazard mitigation, landslide risk reduction, and strategies for addressing coastal erosion. The seminar attracted a diverse audience of more than 30 individuals, including government officials, politicians, students, and concerned citizens. This diverse group of

attendees helped foster meaningful discussions and collaborative efforts in addressing the district's disaster management challenges.

