

Dynamics in Migration & Remittances

Perspectives from the Sri Lankan Macroeconomy

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Abstract

The COVID19 pandemic has created multifaceted implications across the global economy. One area that was most affected due to lockdown and travel restrictions was international labour migration. The return of international migrant workers and the decline in departures during the COVID19 pandemic affected most South Asian countries, while the related worker remittances were projected to decline. Despite an immediate decline, due to various reasons, remittances to the region improved fast leading to a better-than-expected performance across the region in 2020. However, unlike the rest of the South Asian economies, the implications of the COVID19 pandemic on Sri Lanka's migrant worker remittances, were more complicated in recent months due to the macroeconomic issues in the economy. This lecture brings out the dynamics in migrant workers' remittances to Sri Lanka in the context of the ongoing foreign exchange crisis in the country.

Programme Schedule

4.00 PM – 4.10 PM Introductory Remarks

Kailash C. Das

4.10 PM – 4.20 PM Inauguration & Chairing the session

K. S. James

Director and Senior Professor
IIPS, Mumbai, India

4.20 PM – 5.05 PM Presentation

Bilesa Weeraratne

5.05 PM – 5.25 PM Questions and Answers

R. B. Bhagat

5.25 PM – 5.30 PM Vote of Thanks

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