



CIRCULAR-I AET ANNUAL CONFERENCE- XLV(45th)
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Respected AET Life Members, Annual Members, Associates, Professors, Research Scholars, Well-wishers and Friends,

0.1 GREETINGS!

As we wish you all the best in this academic year, 2025-2026, we are desirous of informing you all our affectionate AET Associates the good news concerning our preparations for the ensuing AET's Annual Conference-XLV (45th)

0.2 PURPOSE

We request those intending to present papers at the conference-venue on the themes given in this AET Circular-I, to please get ready.

As in the previous occasions, I am sure that our AET's Seniors will provide the necessary assistance to bring elegance to your papers.

0.3 IN GRATITUDE

The 44th Annual Conference of the Association of Economists of Tamil Nadu (AET) organized by the G.T.N Arts College (Autonomous) Dindigul on 15th December, 2024 with a participation of about 640 members and 273 paper presentations was a big success. The one day Conference was inaugurated by Dr. L. Venkatachalam, Professor (RBI Chair) Madras Institute of Development Studies (MIDS) Chennai. In his Inaugural Address, he narrated the remarkable contributions of AET in nurturing the study of Economics and the camaraderie among the Economics fraternity in Tamil Nadu, and the importance of Economics in policy making. He emphasized Behavioral economics helps to promote international trade by addressing the psychological and social factors that influence decision-making. It reveals that people are not always rational and often respond to framing, trust, and emotions. He also presented various awards such as life time achievement award, senior and young economist awards, and best research paper award to various faculty members and students selected by the AET. **Rev. Dr. AG Leonard**, the Chairman of AET recorded the history of AET and how it has been growing over the period. The Chairman also tinted the features of AET and how it has been helping to the AET fraternity. **Rev. Dr. P. Paulraj SJ**, Co-Chairman, has given felicitation address and read out the awardees selected by the AET. **Dr. A. Annadurai**, conference President of 44th Annual conference of the AET enlightened in his lecture how Indian economy missed the good opportunity of the current business environment in the global market and he praised the Tamil Nadu Economy is in the top level in all growth indicators. The gathering was welcomed by **Dr. M. Ponniah**, Conference Secretary, Associate Professor of GTN arts College Dindigul and **Dr. M. Inbalakshmi**, Assistant Professor of GTN arts College Dindigul proposed the vote of thanks.

The one day Academic Conference witnessed the presentation of research papers by the Academicians and Students across Tamil Nadu on the focal themes of the conference, viz., *Empirical discourse in Gender Economics, Fiscal Federalism, Industrial Productivity in Tamil Nadu and Regional Economics (Dindigul, Sivagangai, and Karur Districts)*. In fine, it must be stated that the participants were in praise of the reception, food, accommodation, hall arrangements and every other detail relating to the conduct of the conference.

The conference concluded with a valedictory session. The valedictory address was delivered by **Dr. K. Rathinam**, The Chairman of GTN Group of Institutions, who appreciated the academic purpose of the conference and the potential of such conferences in fostering the discipline of Economics. He also distributed the best paper presentation awards to the Post Graduate Students. The gathering was welcomed by **Dr. P. Jayakumar**, Treasurer of AET and presented the conference report and read out the financial statement of 2023-2024 and the same ratified by the general body meeting. The Rapporteurs of the various technical sessions of the conference presented their reports, providing the audience a detailed idea of the deliberations in the conference. **Rev. Fr. Dr. A. G. Leonard SJ**, the Chairman of AET gave his felicitation. Vote of Thanks was proposed by **Dr. M. Ponniah**, Conference Secretary, 44th AET Conference, Associate Professor of GTN arts College, Dindigul.

0.4 OUR AWARDEES (44TH AET CONFERENCE)

AET's Life Time Achievement Award

1. **Dr. T. Ravisankar**, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Arulmigu Palaniandavar College of Arts and Culture, Palani, Dindigul-624 601

AET's Senior Economist Award

1. **Dr. A. Shanmugam**, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Thanthai Periyar Government Arts and Science College, (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli-620 023.
2. **Dr. S. Indradevi**, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Annamalai University, Deputed to D.G. Government Arts College for Women, Myladuthurai.
3. **Dr. R.P. Buvaneswari**, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Economics, NKR Government Arts College for Women, Namakkal – 637001

AET's Young Economist Award

1. **Dr. P. Chennai Krishnan**, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Thiruvalluvar University, Serkadu, Vellur-632 115.
2. **Dr. R. Jayachandran**, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Gobi Arts and Science College (Autonomous), Gobichettipalayam-638 453.
3. **Dr. T. Saravanan**, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, A.V.V.M Sri Pushpam College (Autonomous), Poondi -613 503

AET Best Paper Presentation Awardees

1. **Dr. C. Chandra Sekar**, Assistant Professor of Economics, PSG Arts and Science College, Coimbatore.
2. **Mr. Ajmal Faiz**, Research Scholar, Department of Economics, Pondichery University, Puduchery.

The AET thanks the selection committee members and **Dr. Suriya Kumar S M**, for the citations given in flawless English.

0.5 THE Rev. Fr. Dr. SEBASTIAN M SJ MEMORIAL LECTURE-19TH.

The Rev. Fr. Dr. Sebastian M SJ Memorial Lecture- 19th, part of the 44th Annual Conference of the Association of Economists of Tamil Nadu (AET), was delivered by **Dr G. Gnanasekaran**, Special Educational Expert, Dr SNS Rajalakshmi College of Arts & Science (Autonomous), Coimbatore has graciously consented to deliver the Memorial Lecture-19th on “**Navigating Challenges, Building Resilience: A Critical Analysis of Tamilnadu's Startup Eco System**”, and he explored the key factors influencing Tamil Nadu Startup position which compares India’s level. The session was chaired by Prof. D. Swamikannan, Professor and Dean, Department of Economics, Central University of Kerala provided insights into the multidimensional aspects and all indicators which is driving economic growth in Tamil Nadu and the policy, fostering in-depth discussions among participants.

Dr. S. Theenathayalan, Associate Professor & Head Department of Economics, The Madura College, Madurai has graciously consented to deliver the Memorial Lecture- 20th on **Fiscal Federalism** at the forth coming AET Annual Conference – 45th

0.6 GENERAL BODY MEETING-44TH

Rev. Fr. Dr. A. G Leonard SJ, AET Chairman presided over the *General Body Meeting – 44th* held at GTN Arts College Dindigul, on 15th December, 2024. He appreciated all the members of the AET who came to attend the conference in large numbers and made the conference a grand success. He observed that one of the main objectives of the AET Conferences is to promote good academic and research culture among the economics fraternity in Tamil Nadu, especially students and research scholars, and encouraged the students and research scholars to make use of this platform to propel their careers. Dr. D. Kumar, the Former Secretary of AET was entrusted with handing over the condolence message to the following AET members 1. Dr. Tharcis Albin, Dr. N. Prasanna and Mr. Ramachandran The members of the General body meeting was nominated by Dr. Raja, Department of Economics, Pachayappas College, Chennai will be the conference president of 45th AET Annual Conference. The chairman also welcomed the new AET Secretary, **Dr. T. Ravisankar**, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Arulmigu Palaniandavar College of Arts and Culture, Palani, Dindigul.

0.7 PRELIMINARY DETAILS OF THE AET ANNUAL CONFERENCE– 45TH (2025-2026)

Venue : Department of Economics, NKR Government Arts College for Women, Namakkal – 637 001.

Date : 27th September, 2025 (Saturday)

Conference Secretary for 2025-2026: **Dr. R.P. Buvanewari**, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Economics, NKR Government Arts College for Women, Namakkal – 637001, (9943215887)

Themes of the AET ANNUAL CONFERENCE–45th

1. **Developing Economy of Tamil Nadu**
2. **Center -State Financial Relationship**
3. **Sustainable Development Goals**
4. **Regional Economics (Namakkal, Salem, Dharmapuri and Krishnagiri Districts)**

0.8. FEES RELATING TO AET ANNUAL CONFERENCE:

i. *Delegate Fee for one Day–Rs 360 only-*

All, attending the conference are to pay the delegate fee of Rs 360/- (Rupees Three Hundred and sixty only) to the Conference Secretary.

Dr. R.P. Buvanewari, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Economics, NKR, Government Arts College for Women, Namakkal – 637001, (9943215887). The Conference Secretary will communicate to you on the manner of sending this amount.

ii. *Membership Fee:*

You may be an **AET LIFEMEMBER** or an **AET ANNUAL MEMBER**.

If you are *already* an AET LIFE MEMBER, you don’t need to pay the Membership Fee.

Any one keen on becoming now an AET LIFE MEMBER please pay **Rs.2,300/-** (Rupees Two Thousand Three Hundred only)

All **non- LIFE MEMBERS**, teachers or other-wise, attending the AET Conference, are treated as **AET ANNUAL MEMBER and they have to register themselves as an annual member falls on the following fee mode:**

A *teacher*, desirous of becoming an AET Annual Member, is to pay **Rs.260/-** (Rupees Two Hundred and Forty only)

A non-teacher, desirous of becoming an AET Annual Member, is to pay **Rs.170/-** (Rupees One Hundred and fifty only)

iii. *Publication Fee:*

You may be a **Teacher** or a **Non-Teacher**.

A teacher is to pay Rs 900 /- (Rupees Nine hundred only). A Non-Teacher is to pay Rs 600/-(Rupees Six Hundred only).

Kindly pay the membership and publication fee to **Dr. P. Jayakumar, AET Treasurer**, in the 45th conference venue (AET Registration Desk) itself and get a receipt. Further clarification feel free to **Dr. P. Jayakumar, AET Treasurer. (9842051810)**

0.9 THE GUIDELINES FOR PAPER-PRESENTATION AND PUBLICATION

1. The paper presenter must be a life member or annual member
2. Non AET members will not be entertained to present the paper in the conference.
3. A member can present a maximum of **two** papers only.
4. In case of joint authors, only **the first two** names will be considered and both authors are asked to present the paper in the conference jointly and both authors must pay the publication fee separately.
5. A paper should have a Title, Author's Name, Institution/ Contact (Residence) Address, Cell Number and email address.
6. Papers should be neatly typed (1.5 space) in *Times New Roman*, font size 12 in A4 paper Sheet.
7. Common Reference Examples Guide can be seen at <https://apastyle.apa.org/instructional-aids/reference-examples.pdf>
The APA Online Citation Generator can be used at <https://www.scribbr.com/apa-style/reference-entry/>
8. A Paper should not exceed 3000 words.
9. Only the presented papers in the conference duly authorized by the Rapporteur and Session Chairman and the publication fee paid by the author will be published in the Journal "Peninsular Economist".
10. Only an **abstract** of the paper should be 250 words with title, affiliation and keywords and it should be sent to the AET Conference Secretary email ID: **45aetconference@gmail.com before 5th September 2025, at 5 PM.** This will facilitate the printing of the AET Conference Souvenir (Soft Copy).
11. Authors have to submit an undertaking for the originality of their papers. All papers will be screened for plagiarism. As a matter of policy, the acceptable similarity extent would be up to 15%
12. The editorial board members recommended papers only will be published in "**Peninsular Economist**"
13. The **full paper** one who paid the publication fee in the conference venue (AET Registration Desk) itself should be sent to the AET email id: **(aetsjc1982@gmail.com)** on or before **30th September 2025 at 5 PM.**

10. AWARDS CRITERIA

Life time Achievements Award, The Senior Economist Award and Young Economist Award

1. **The Life time achievements award** will be given to the selected nominee between the ages of 50 to 60 years on the date of submission. Nominees must have AET Life Membership and should have attended and presented papers in AET Conferences at least a minimum of **twelve times** and published papers in "**Peninsular Economist**" **Ten times**. Please mention the details of attendance and submit necessary evidences.
2. **The Senior Economist Award** will be given to the selected nominee between the ages of 40-50 years on the date of submission. Nominees must have AET Life Membership and should have attended and presented papers in AET Conferences at least a minimum of **Eight times** and published papers in "**Peninsular Economist**" **Seven times**. Please mention the details of attendance and submit necessary evidences.
3. **The Young Economist Award** will be given to the selected nominee *below* the age of 40 years on the date of submission. Nominees must have AET Life Membership and should have attended and presented papers in AET Conferences at least a minimum of **Five times** and published papers in "**Peninsular Economist**" **Five times**. Please mention the details of attendance and submit necessary evidences.
4. **Best Paper Presentation Award:** Nominees must have AET Life Membership and should have attended and presented papers in AET Conferences at least a minimum of **three times** and published papers in "**Peninsular Economist**" **one time**. Only **single author** papers presented at the Annual Conference will be considered for **paper presentation award**. Please mention the details of attendance and submit necessary evidences.
5. The nominee a) should be within the jurisdiction of Tamil Nadu; b) The member's contribution to the activities of AET in the form of organizing or the conduct of Seminars and / or Conferences will be given due consideration. c) Bringing in at least Five LIFE MEMBERS to AET is desirable. d) The nomination for selection of the Awards may come *directly* from the candidate or by any member of the AET. e) The selection of the awardees will be considered based on academic score (Award, Pattern, Research Projects, Acted as a Resource Person, published papers in reputed journals and books, etc..)
6. Those who desire to be considered for the *Life time achievements award, Senior Economist Award* and the *Young Economist Award* may kindly send their Curriculum Vitae and the supporting documents on or before **10th August, 2025, at before 5 PM to Dr. P. Jayakumar**, AET Treasurer, AET Head Office, Department of Economics, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli – 620 002, (98420 51810).
7. The selected candidates economists will be presented with a memento and citation at the AET Annual Conference venue.
8. Only **single author** papers presented at the Annual Conference will be considered for **paper presentation award**.

I join our Chairman **Rev. Dr. A. G Leonard SJ**, and other Executive & Advisory committee members by stating our familiar saying: TOGETHER, WE SHOULD ADD; AND NOT SUBTRACT.

Our Chairman further appeals to our AET members having our *AET Identity Card*. Hence, those yet to have the Identity Card, please contact me at once.

Along with your photograph we need to have information on your contribution to the academic field. Also, please give your contact house address. It is becoming increasingly difficult to contact members, especially after their retirement. Please suggest as to how best we can proceed in this venture.

With regards,
AET Chairman and AET Head-Office