

TEACHER ACTIVITY REPORT 2016 - 2017

FACULTY: DEPARTMENT/ COMMITTEE /THE ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION
IQAC ACTIVITY No: SVC/2016-17/ECO/SOC/4

NAME OF THE ACTIVITY: Inaugural and Special Address of National Undergraduate Economics Festival: BLISSPOINT 2017 and Release of Annual Magazine

DATE	FACULTY	DEPARTMENT/COMMITTEE	COORDINATOR NAME
23 rd -24 th January 2017	SOCIAL SCIENCES	THE ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION	D. BRAHHMA REDDY
TIME	VENUE	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	NATURE: Outdoor/Indoor
4 PM on 23 rd and 10.00 AM on 24 th January	SEMINAR HALL	200	Indoor
SUPPORT/ASSISTANCE:	Sri Venkateswara College		

BRIEF INFORMATION ABOUT THE ACTIVITY (CRITERION NO. - III):

TOPIC/SUBJECT OF THE ACTIVITY	Inaugural Address, Special Lecture and Release of Magazine Shri. P. Chidambaram, Former Finance and Home Minister, Gol (Inaugural Address on "25 Years of Economic Reforms") Special Address: 24 th January 2017 Speaker: Shri. R.S Sharma, Chairman Telecom Regulatory and Authority of India (TRAI) (Special Address on "Technology, Programme Delivery and Development: A Case of AADHAR") Release of Annual Magazine: Econ Expressions
OBJECTIVES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide an insight into the policy reforms in the last 25 years by India's top most Policymaker who was at the helm of affairs for 2 decades. • To provide an insight into the role of technology in the efficient delivery of services by India's top most Bureaucrat & Technocrat who designed AADHAR • To give an opportunity to students to express their creative thoughts on contemporary economics, policy issues in the form of a small piece of article
METHODOLOGY	Lecture followed by Q&A Writing of an Article after Review of the Literature, Analyse data and by using deductive methodology
OUTCOMES	Learning Beyond Curriculum, Insight into the intricacies of policy making and implementation Improved written communication skills

PROOFS & DOCUMENTS ATTACHED (Tick mark the proofs attached):

Notice & Letters ✓	Student list of participation	Activity report ✓	Photos ✓	Feedback form
Feedback analysis	News clip with details	Certificate	Any other	

IQAC Document No:	Criterion No:	Metric No:
Departmental file no	IQAC file No;	

NAME OF TEACHER & SIGNATURE	NAME OF HEAD/ COMMITTEE INCHARGE & SIGNATURE	IQAC COORDINATOR (SEAL & SIGNATURE)
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For Reference

Criterion I	Curricular Aspects (planning & Implementation)	Criterion V	Student Support & Progression
Criterion II	Teaching Learning & Evaluation	Criterion VI	Governance
Criterion III	Research, Innovations & Extension	Criterion VII	Institutional Values & Best Practices
Criterion IV	Learning Resources and Infrastructure		



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BLISSPOINT'17

Honourable Chief Guest

Shri P.Chidambaram

Former Finance and Home Minister

25 YEARS OF ECONOMIC REFORMS



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BLISSPOINT'17

Guest of honour:

SHRI R S SHARMA
Chairman TRAI

Technology, Programme Delivery and Development

23-01-2017: In the Seminar Hall: The Students and Faculty waiting for the Arrival of the Chief Guest Shri P. Chidambaram



Faculty Members waiting to receive the Chief Guest Shri P. Chidambaram



Shri P. Chidambaram is welcomed by Dr. Padma Suresh with a Bouquet of Flowers



Prof R P Singh presentencing a Memento to Shri. P. Chidambaram



Shri P. Chidambaram delivering the inaugural address on 25 Years of Economic Reforms 1991-2016



Shri P. Chidambaram releasing the Annual Magazine: Econ Expressions



24-01-17: Shri RS Sharma, Chairman TRAI being welcomed with a Bouquet of Flowers in Seminar Hall



Shri RS Sharma lighting the Lamp at the Semiar Hall



Shri P. Chidambaram's speech at Blisspoint '17

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"No nation was rich in the past... You cannot become rich by hunting animals"

-P. Chidambaram

On 23rd January, 2017, former Finance minister **P. Chidambaram** arrived at **Sri Venkateswara College** as a chief guest for Blisspoint '17, the annual fest of the Economics department. His gentle speech, laced with truisms and prophecies and lots of advice for the younger generation, seemed befitting for an audience comprising economics enthusiasts. He was in character. And it left an impact, though many were probably disappointed that the word '*demonetisation*' didn't actually make it into the speech. Even so, the issues circling the crux of the matter sure did.

The minister began with the origins of a liberal economy, since the theme of the fest was '*Celebrating 25 Years of Economic Reforms*'. And while tracing the uphill journey to liberalisation in India in 1991, he was mindful of the fact that it has not always been a bed of roses. The reforms did not make people rich. But, and this he emphasized, they gave the masses a basic freedom — economic freedom is like political freedom, like the right to vote or to voice opinions freely in a democracy.

Where the ball left the court was when some of the points were tactfully raised, but never talked about beyond a certain limit. Of course, the **UPA** government's achievements were recounted. Today there are no investors, no '*risk-takers*', as he lamented. But then, there was no lingering upon the dismal effects which capitalism and a free, competitive economy has upon small-scale businesses and handicrafts.

It was all in good faith when the minister said, "*We don't see that now,*" regarding the swollen bellies and decaying teeth of children in rural India. Some development has surely graced the interiors of the country. But he made no mention of casteism. Amidst all the cheering for India's phenomenal '*growth*' (despite the 2008 global financial crisis, he reminds us), the issue of caste discrimination does not even find a mention. Ironically, the Sociology department had invited **Dalit** activist **Bezwada Wilson** just last year. And he had vehemently identified caste-based practices as the largest force driving poverty and backwardness in rural India still.

All things said and done, **P.Chidambaram** ended his speech with a bang, on a matter much discussed: "*We cannot allow Trump-ism in India. Even America will suffer if it succeeds there.*" Clearly, the minister had made a crisp statement and raised some issues to be pondered upon and debated in the upcoming budget.

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Cover Page of the Magazine: Econexpressions

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ECONEXPRESSIONS
2016-17

Economics Journal by the Department of Economics

The cover features a line graph overlaid on a world map. The x-axis represents years from 1995 to 2007. The y-axis represents numerical values. Several data points are highlighted with circles and labeled with their values: 234.34 (1998), 304.03 (2000), 3650 (2003), 4492 (2004), and 55483.34649940 (2007). A legend in the bottom right corner lists various economic indicators with their corresponding values.

Indicator	Value
2000	304.03
2001	3650
2002	4492
2003	55483.34649940
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2005	55483.34649940
2006	55483.34649940
2007	55483.34649940



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