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Activity Report - Academic Year 2025-2026

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Investor Awareness Program – Investor Protection & Financial Inclusion



**A Report on Seminar on “Investor Awareness Program – Investor Protection & Financial Inclusion” Organized by Postgraduate and Research Department of Economics of
Catholicate College Pathanamthitta**

The **Postgraduate and Research Department of Economics, Catholicate College, Pathanamthitta**, in association with **IQAC**, organized an **Investor Awareness Program** on **27 February 2026 at 9:30 AM** in the **Research Room of the Department of Economics**. The programme was conducted in collaboration with **SEBI and the Bombay Stock Exchange** with the objective of enhancing financial literacy and promoting responsible investment practices among students.

The session was handled by **Dr. Arun Mathew, Securities Market Trainer, SEBI**, who served as the **resource person**. The programme focused on the theme “**Investor Protection and Financial Inclusion**”, highlighting the importance of informed investment decisions in the modern financial system.

During the session, the resource person explained the **basic concepts of financial markets, types of investment instruments, stock market operations, and the role of regulatory bodies such as SEBI** in protecting investors. He also discussed common investment mistakes, financial frauds, and the precautionary measures investors should take while investing in securities markets.

Special emphasis was given to the importance of **financial literacy, risk management, and long-term investment strategies**. The session also introduced students to various **investment avenues such as equities, mutual funds, and government securities**, while highlighting the importance of diversification and responsible financial planning.

The programme was interactive, and students actively participated by raising questions related to stock market investments, digital trading platforms, and financial planning. The session helped students gain practical knowledge about financial markets and encouraged them to develop responsible investment habits.

The programme was organized under the guidance of **Dr. Shyni T. Alexander, Head of the Department**, and coordinated by **Dr. Niranjana Raj**. The session witnessed active participation from **undergraduate and postgraduate students of the Department of Economics**.

Objectives of the Programme

1. To promote financial literacy and awareness about investment opportunities among students.
2. To educate students about investor protection mechanisms and the role of SEBI.
3. To introduce students to the functioning of the stock market and financial instruments.
4. To encourage responsible and informed investment practices.
5. To enhance awareness about financial inclusion and its role in economic development.

Methodology

- Expert lecture by a SEBI Securities Market Trainer.
- Presentation explaining stock market functioning and investment instruments.
- Discussion on investor protection measures and financial fraud prevention.
- Interactive question-and-answer session with students.

Outcome of the Programme

- Students gained practical knowledge about stock market operations and financial markets.
- Participants developed awareness about safe investment practices and investor protection.
- The programme improved students' understanding of financial inclusion and personal financial planning.
- The session encouraged students to explore investment opportunities responsibly.

Participants

- Undergraduate and Postgraduate students of the Department of Economics
- Faculty members of the Department

Programme Coordinator

- **Dr. Niranjana Raj**

SDG Linkage

- **SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth**

NAAC Criteria Number: 3 – Research, Innovations and Extension

Metric Number: 3.4.3 – Extension and Outreach Programmes