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Report on the Eco-Talk titled “Understanding Agrarian Distress, Farm Acts of 2020, and Farmer Protests: Myths and Reality”

Programme schedule (8th October, 2021)

The Goa Business school (GBS), conducted an Eco-Talk on the topic “Understanding Agrarian Distress, Farm Acts of 2020, and Farmer Protests: Myths and Reality” on 8th October, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. The objective of the lecture was to build knowledge and raise awareness of recent agriculture-related concerns in India.

The program was held online using Google meet and was broadcasted live on you tube channel.

Through a Google form, a total of 219 people registered for the session, 150 of whom were from Goa University and the rest from different other institutions. A total of 145 people attended the programme. A digital certificate was given to each of the registered participants for attending the session.

- Registered link: <https://forms.gle/rxUaRTxD1pVzD3xh6>
- G meet link: <https://meet.google.com/vhz-iaia-jrz>
- You tube Link: <https://youtu.be/6cTNdtHzQsM>

The resource person for the webinar was Professor Sukhpal Singh, Indian Institute of Management (IIM), also Former Chairperson, Centre for Management in Agriculture (CMA) and Former Director General, Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development (CRRID) Chandigarh.

The programme started with an opening remark delivered by Prof. Pranab Mukhopadhyay, Prog. Director of Economics discipline, which were followed by introduction and welcome address from Ms. Sasha D’Souza, MA part II Student. Prof. Silvia M. Noronha, of the Economics department, presided over the event.

In his keynote talk, Professor Sukhpal Singh discussed the nature of agrarian distress, concerns faced by farmers, ecological challenges, and Farm Acts 2020. He began by outlining the structural changes in GDP and the share of households with various land sizes over the last few decades. He brought up the topic of marginalised and small farmers' low and negative income, farmer debts and suicide rates, and the widening disparity between agricultural and non-agricultural income. He also discussed the production and market risks that farmers confront in the marketplace.

The session ended with a round of discussion and vote of thanks by Prof. Silvia M. Noronha.

The topic of the webinar talk on the 8th of Oct:

Understanding Agrarian Distress, Farm Acts of 2020, and Farmer Protests: Myths and Reality

Profile of Professor Sukhpal Singh

Sukhpal Singh is Professor and Former Chairperson, Centre for Management in Agriculture (CMA), Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmedabad, Gujarat, Former Director General, Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development (CRRID) Chandigarh, and Former Professor and Head, Agricultural Economic Research Unit (AERU), Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), New Delhi.

He has been conferred the title of the Fellow of the Indian Society of Agricultural Economics for his contributions to the discipline and the Society in 2018. He is founding co-editor, Millennial Asia-an intl. journal of Asian studies.

He has 12 books, the latest being: Institutional innovations in the delivery of farm services in India (2018, Springer), and more than 140 research papers in international/national journals/edited books. He is on the boards of many non-profits organisations working in the agri and rural space.

He was a visiting fellow at the IDS, Sussex (the UK), Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok (Thailand), the University of Manchester (the UK); and the Copenhagen Business School (Denmark), and a member of various committees/working groups of the Planning Commission of India/NITI Aayog, the National Development Council, the Food Safety Standards Authority of India, and the EC of the Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH). He was a member of the standing working group on agri and allied sectors of Chhattisgarh State Planning Commission, and the Committee for FPO policy for Punjab and Committee on MSP and other mechanisms for farmers in Chhattisgarh.

His research interests lie in small producer and worker livelihoods and collectivization of such stakeholders in the context of agribusiness value chains and deregulation of agricultural markets in India and the developing world. He has been a close witness to the concept, enactment of the Act, and practice of producer companies in India and had carried out the very first field based academic research (based on 24 case studies) on Producer Companies in India in 2011-12. He has just completed his second (35 FPC case studies based) research on Farmer Producer Companies in India.



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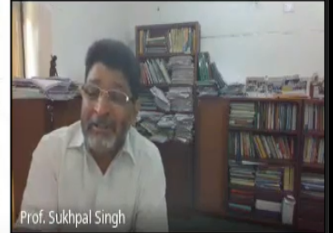
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Share of households with different land size (in %)

Size class of ownership holding (ha)	Estimated share of area (in %)	Estimated share of households (in %)
Less than 1	82.82	29.76
1-2	23.54	10
2-3	15.4	3.86
3-4	6.67	1.16
4-5	5.79	0.78
5-7	8.48	0.93
7-10	4.56	0.32
10-20	4.99	0.22
>20	0.82	0.01

Share of workforce to GDP (in %)

Workforce share* (2011-12)	Industry	Services
48.9	24.2	26.9

GDP share** (2011-12)

Industry	Services
20.3	79.7

Source: Key indicators of land and housing buildings in India, NSSO 70th round, 2015, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. **GDP at constant prices (2014-15 base), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.

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Participants: Prof. Sukhpal Singh, Head Economics, William Fernandes, Ninotchka Mendes, Roy Gomes, Miguel Braganza, Ms. Lizette D'Costa, 32 others, You.

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Delicia Pereira	Averyl Pires	Shreyas Desai	Allancia Gonsal...	Anil Bhandiwad	Akhil Gawas	Dale D'cruz	Neha Kumari Sah
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