

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

One-Day Workshop on “Economics of Today, Economists for Tomorrow” 6th October 2023



The workshop titled “Economics of Today, Economists for Tomorrow,” held on 6th October 2023, was a Collaboration between the Department of Economics, St Edmund’s College, Shillong and Azim Premji University, Bangalore. The Event took place at St Edmund’s College Auditorium from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

The Workshop was hosted by Ms. Kashyapi Bezbaruah (5th Semester), Invoked by Ms. Nukshijunla Kichu (5th Semester) and the discussions were moderated by Prof. Lorraine Claudia Massar (Assistant Professor, Dept of Economics). The convenor for the workshop was Ms. Labet Phylla Phanbuh, Assistant Professor, Dept of Economics.

The Welcome Address was delivered by the Vice principal (Admin) Prof. Monotosh Chakravarty, highlighting the Department’s Contribution to college growth, and discussing the impact of Economics and Education in India. A warm welcome was extended to the participating Colleges **St. Anthony’s College, St. Mary’s College, Shillong Commerce College, Shillong College, Seng Khasi College, Synod College, Women’s College, and Lady Keane College**. Gratitude was expressed for the presence of the Faculty Members of Azim Premji University Dr. K.C. Adaina, Dr. Zico Dasgupta and Dr. Kedar Kulkarni.

After the welcome Song by the Economics Honours Students of St Edmund’s College, the opening remarks was then delivered by Prof. Rajesh Dutta, who discussed climate change and its economic implications, emphasizing the need for social and political consciousness among Economists.

The workshop was divided into five insightful sessions:

Session 1: The Psychological Lives of the Poor – Implications for understanding Poverty in Northeast India: Dr. K.C. Adaina, Faculty, Azim Premji University, discussed poverty, scarcity, and decision-making in North-eastern states, highlighting the impact of scarcity on mental bandwidth and cognitive resources.

Session 2: Macroeconomics in our Daily Lives: Dr. Zico Dasgupta, Faculty, Azim Premji University delved into economic growth, inflation, and macroeconomic policies in India.

Session 3: Emerging Areas in Economics: Dr. Anika M.W. Kshiar Shadap, Faculty, Dept. of Economics, St. Edmund's College, discussed the intersection of nature, knowledge, and economics, referencing the works of Nobel Laureates in Economics.

Session 4: Economics of Climate Change – Trans Himalayan Perspectives: Dr. Kedar Kulkarni, Faculty, Azim Premji University, discussed trade-offs between economic growth and environmental quality, exploring sustainability and climate change Economics.

Session 5: MA Economics Programme in India – Direction and Recent Trends: The Azim Premji University Economics Group discussed the pluralist approach in economics education, focusing on the importance of practical skills like statistical software proficiency and fieldwork experience. Various career options for economics graduates in India were discussed, emphasizing the demand for strong communication and critical thinking skills.

The workshop concluded with the Felicitation of Resource Persons, followed by a vote of thanks by Prof. Labet Phylla Phanhuh.

In summary, the workshop provided a comprehensive overview of diverse economic topics, ranging from the psychological aspects of poverty to macroeconomics, climate change, and emerging areas in the field. Participants gained valuable insights into real-world applications of economic theories and the importance of research-based policy making.

Details of Registered Participants & Attendees

Invitations to 10 Colleges: One faculty member with 5 students (6x10= 60 Invitees): with special emphasis on female participants

Participated – 8 Colleges (48 Participants)

- Total Participants from other colleges – 48***

Sl. No.	Name of the College	No. Registered	No. Attended
1.	St. Anthony's College	7	7
2.	St. Mary's College	6	6
3.	Shillong Commerce College	6	6
4.	Shillong College	6	6
5.	Synod College	6	5
6.	Seng Khasi College	6	6
7.	Women's College	6	6
8.	Lady Keane College	6	6
9.	Total	49	48

Student Participants (St. Edmund's College) – 148*

Sl. No.	Semester	No. Registered	No. Attended
1.	5 th Semester Eco Hons	50	47
2.	3 rd Semester Eco Hons	62	57
3.	1 st Semester Eco Hons	54	44
4.	Total	166	148*

Other Participants – 8*

- Three (3) Resource Persons** from APU, Bangalore
- Four (4) Faculty** Dept. of Economics
- One (1) representative** from Management (Vice Principal, Administration)

TOTAL REGISTERED – 215

(Excluding 2 colleges that didn't participate, resource persons, faculty members and representative from management)

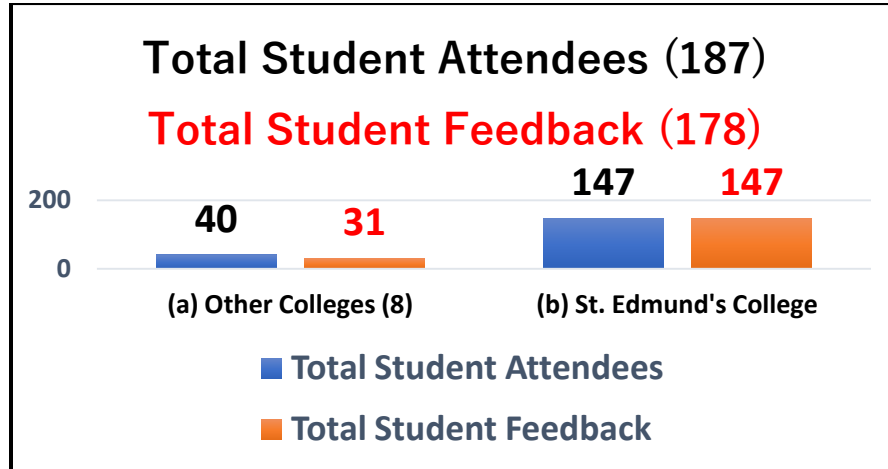
TOTAL ATTENDED – 204*

[Other Colleges (48) + St. Edmunds College (148) + Other Participants (8)]

TOTAL FEEDBACK FORM FILLED – 150

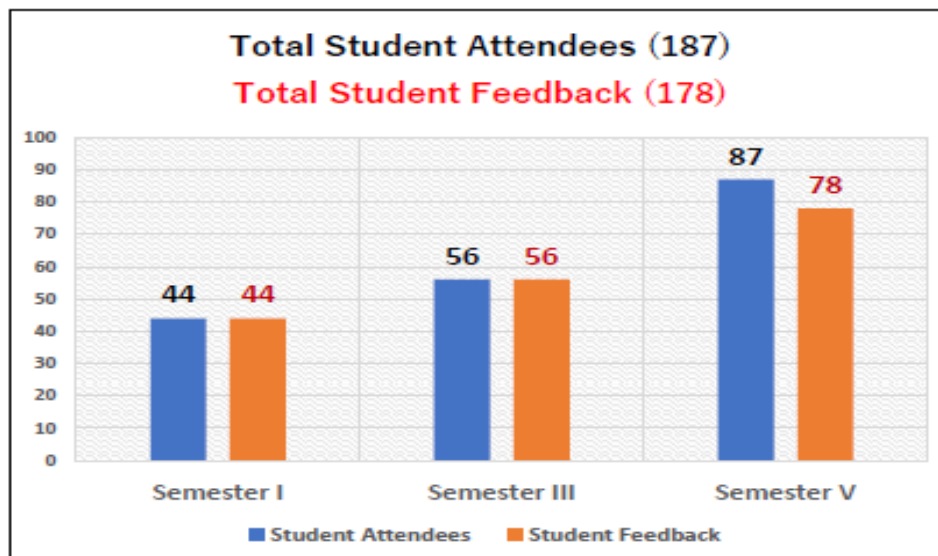
FEEDBACK ANALYSIS

A. Total Student Attendees & Student Feedback:

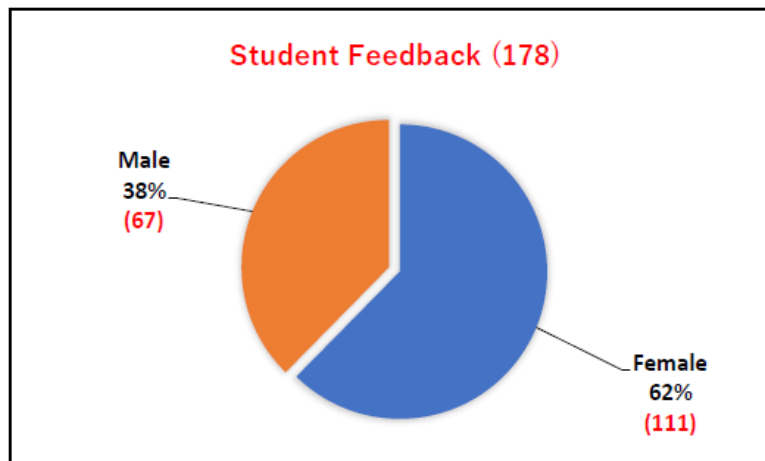


- A significant highlight is that **16 faculty members** were also present at the Workshop.
- Of these 16, **only one (1) faculty member** filled out the feedback form, leading to their exclusion from the charts.

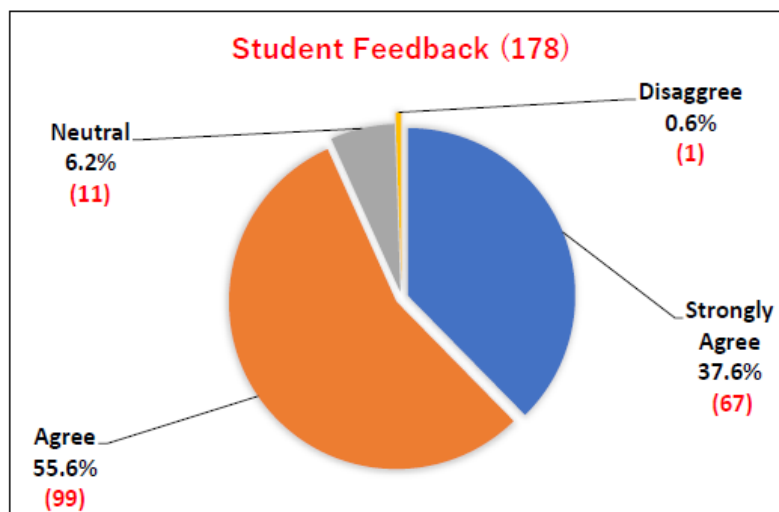
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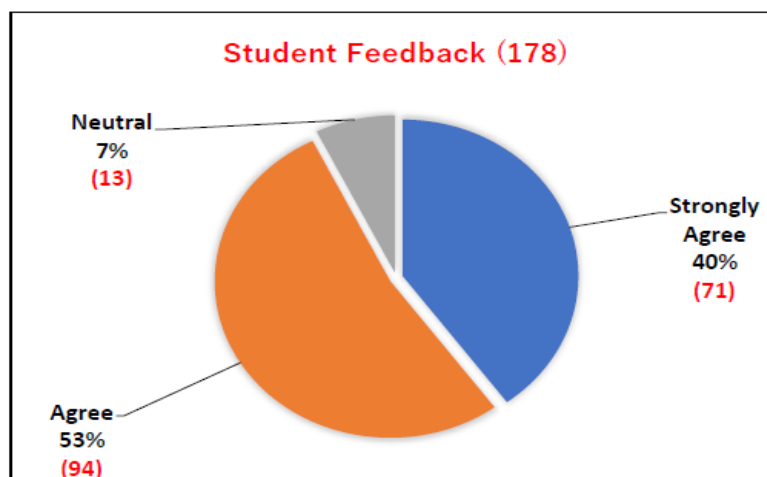
C. Break-up of male & female student participants:



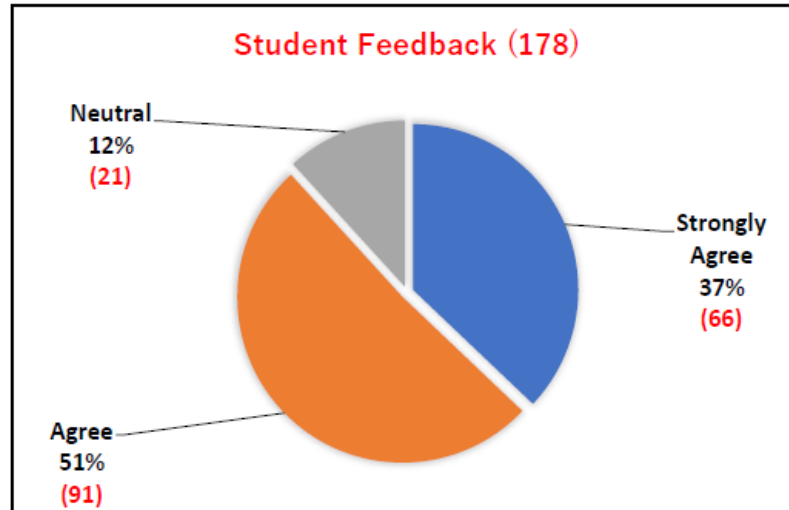
D. The themes shared by the Resource Persons has helped the students in a better understanding of the path they would take in the future:



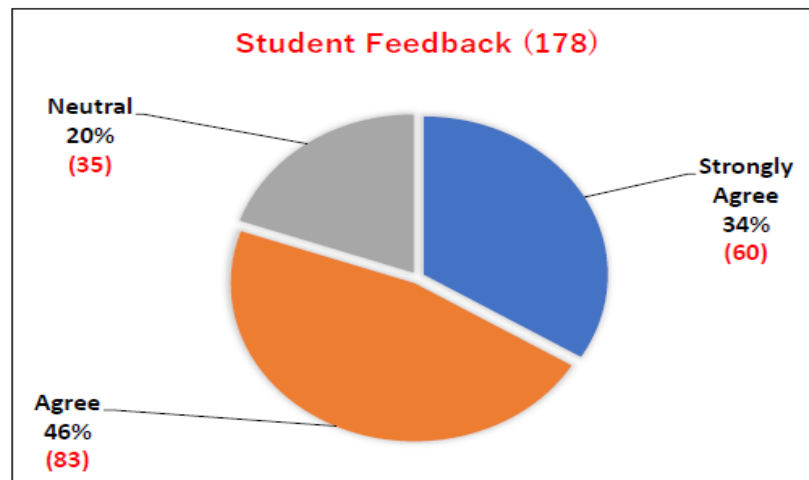
E. The workshop introduced the participants to highly engaging sub-fields and emerging areas in the field of Economics?



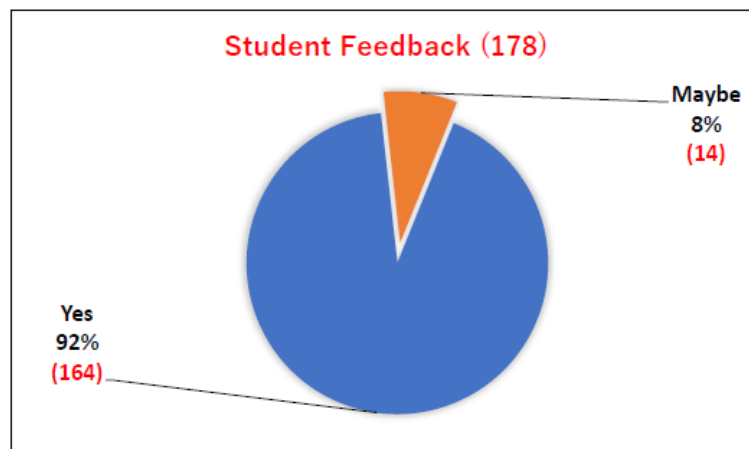
F. Do you feel better informed about the expanding horizon and direction of MA Economics programmes across India?



G. Students who are motivated are to pursue MA Economics after Graduation.



H. Would you consider attending and supporting similar workshops/conferences/lecture series/data software training etc. in the future?



I. Which specific sub-fields and emerging areas in Economics captured your attention the most?

Macroeconomics in our daily

Impact of climate change on the economy

RBI

Finance, Financial Economics

**Econometrics &
Quantitative Economics**

Environmental Economics

Poverty, Feminist Economics

Banking

MA Economics programs in India

Psychological lives of the poor

**Behavioral
Economics**

Experimental Economics

Labour Economics

JNU, DSE

Human Development

Rural Development

Political economy

Understanding inflation. Courses offered by Azim Premji University. And how so much data and work we can do on the northeastern states considering how little is available.

Career options

Opportunities in the public sector

Emerging areas in Economics

Data & graphs, Data Analyst

Agriculture Economics

Technological changes

Scope for job after graduation, future plans

Economic Psychology

The overview of different universities and the post-graduate potential tips



Marketing

Knowledge process outsourcing sector

SCREENSHOTS and PICTURES OF THE WORKSHOP

Questions Responses **13** Settings

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Time: 9:00 am onwards

Greetings to all participants.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation for your participation in the One-Day Workshop titled "Economics of Today, Economists for Tomorrow", a joint collaboration between the Economics Group, Azim Premji University, Bangalore and Department of Economics, St. Edmund's College Shillong. We sincerely hope you had a fruitful and insightful experience.

We now kindly request a few moments of your valuable time to share your valuable insights through our feedback form, allowing us to gather your thoughts and perspectives on the workshop. Your feedback is of great significance to us. Thank you and may you be blessed.

Date: 06.10.2023

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