REPORT OF MINOR RESEARCH PROJECT SOCIO- CULTURAL CHANGES THROUGH WOMEN EMPOWERMENT - A RURAL SCENARIO

(Separate sheets attached as Section C of item 7 with Annexure III)

The project aimed to study the impact of women centric phase of developmental model that have made quantitive change in the rural scenario. Kerala that has raced to meet most of the targets for upliftment of poor was focused on, especially the achievement of this goal in a rural background. The dynamic nature of goal attainment also factors in different dimensions of societies progression in the socio cultural plane towards women empowerment.

The primary data was collected from 210 households of three adjacent municipalities of guruvayoor, Chavakkad and Kunnamkulam. Through a prepared schedule that was administrated to the women of the household. The collected data along with secondary data secured through different agencies both governmental and Agencies were scrutinized to express the layout of the issue that is to be researched.

The result of the issue researched pointed out to the excellent acceptance of the schemes framed for on poverty with special reference to women empowerment. The self help group Kudumbashree had the maximum level of acceptance but has not been utilized to its maximum potential due to regressive and traditional outlook towards womens ability to create business. This is due to the time taken for a rural society to imbibe new trends demolishing age add customs tradition old practices that are steeped in the socio cultural milieu of an era.

The details of the Papers presented and published are given below and attached the copies.