

## This month's highlights:

- Visiting Scholars from the University of Ottawa, Prof Paul Makdissi and Dr Myra A. Yazbeck conduct a seminar on 'Measuring the Contribution of Stratification and Social Class at Birth to Inequality of Opportunity' at IPS.
- Prof James Giesecke, Director of Centre of Policy Studies at Victoria University, Australia meets with IPS research staff to share findings from his ongoing research on 'Economic Modelling of Tax Reform'.
- Video featuring IPS Research Assistant Himani Vithanage discussing the issue of rising school dropouts in the estate sector.
- Latest video from the climate change and mobility series based on IPS' in-depth research to understand climate change-induced mobility and its implications in Sri Lanka.

We hope you find this issue insightful. Your feedback is, as always, welcome!

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## IPS Seminars

### Seminar by Visiting Scholars from the University of Ottawa



Visiting Scholars from the University of Ottawa, Prof Paul Makdissi and Dr Myra A. Yazbeck conducted a seminar on 'Measuring the Contribution of Stratification and Social Class at Birth to Inequality of Opportunity' on the 13th of December at IPS. Their research proposes a new analytical approach for measuring inequality of opportunity, distinguishing between inequalities due to identity-based stratification and social class at birth. The study offers an empirical application aiming at measuring the contribution of gender stratification to inequality of opportunity in Egypt between 1998 to 2018.

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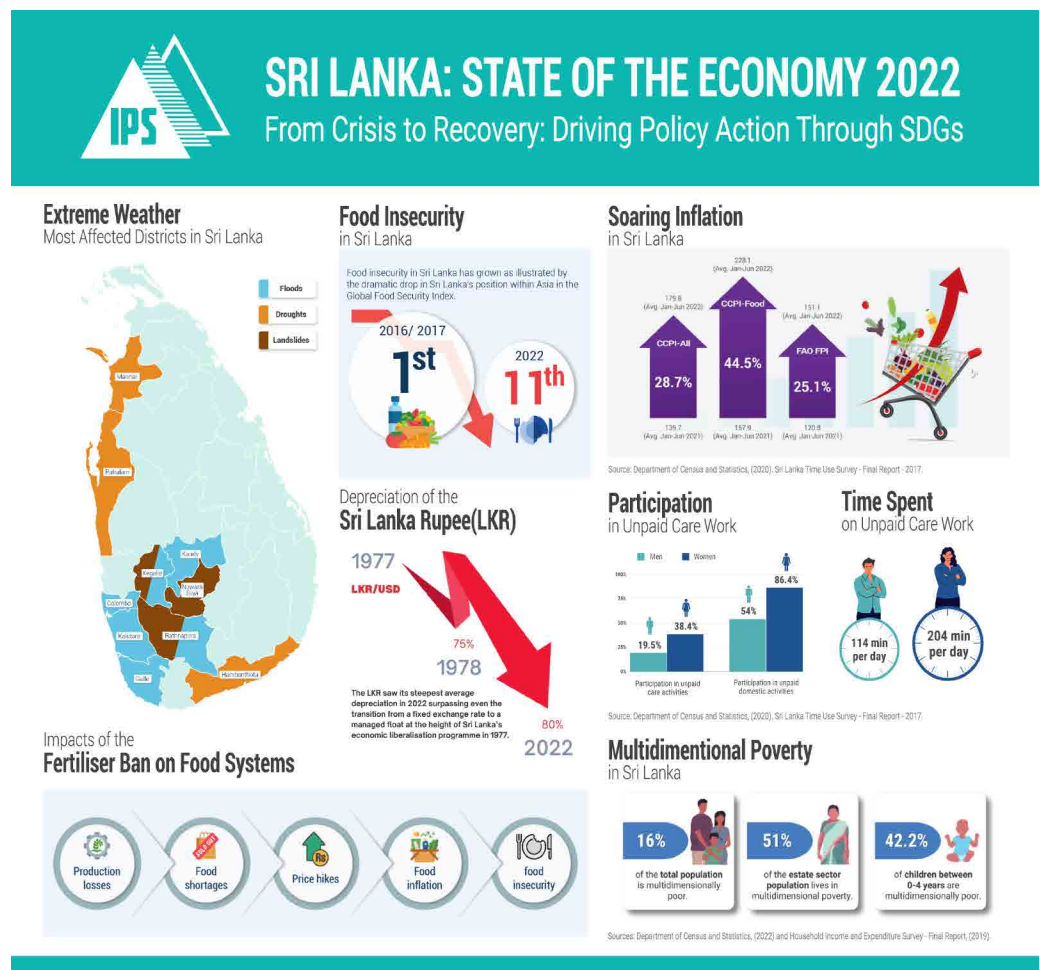
### Seminar on 'Economic Modelling of Tax Reform'



Prof James Giesecke, Director of Centre of Policy Studies at Victoria University met with IPS research staff to share findings from his ongoing research on 'Economic Modelling of Tax Reform'. His presentation gave insight into estimating economic costs per dollar of revenue raised ("marginal excess burdens"/MEBs) across different tax instruments, using Australia as a case study.

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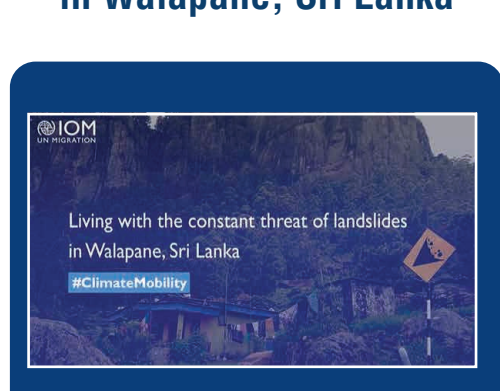
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