

Dr. THOMAS ISSAC, T. M.
[C.P.I(M)-MARARIKULAM]

Minister for Finance

Son of Shri T. P. Mathew and Smt. Saramma Mathew; born at Kottappuram, near Kodungallur on 26th September 1952; Ph.D. in Economics; Economist, Political Worker.

Started Political activities while a student, vehemently participated in the activities of S.F.I. from 1971; Was SFI office bearer of Ernakulam Maharaja's College Union (1973-74); SFI Ernakulam District President (1974-80); President, SFI State Committee (1979); Senior activist of Kerala Sasthra Sahithya Parishad from 1977, Honorary fellow of the Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram, Won Doctorate in 1985; became Professor in 2001; Was State Planning Board Member from 1996 to 2001; State President, Coir Centre (CITU), Parliamentary Party Secretary of CPI(M) in Assembly; CPI(M) State Committee Member since 1991.

Published number of articles on Economics, Planning and Politics in the leading Regional, National and International periodicals. Presented lectures and Papers in National and International Conferences and Seminars like 1) Seminar Organised by ILO-A.R.T.E.P. held at Colombo (1993) 2) Institute of Social Science, New Delhi (1996); 3) Montclair State University Faculty Seminar (1998) 4) Columbia University South Asian Institute Seminar (1998) 5) Conference on Decentralised Planning in Calcutta (1999) 6) Seminar held at Havens Centre University of Wisconsin, Madison (2000).

Published many books in English including 1) Science for Social Revolution (with Dr. B. Iqbal) (1989) 2) Modernisation and Employment : The coir industry in Kerala (with R.A. Van Stuijvenberg and K.N. Nair) (1984) 3) Democracy at Work in an Industrial Co-operative: The Story of Kerala Dinesh Beedi (with Richard W Frankee and Pyaralal Raghavan) (1998) 4) Local Democracy and Development : Peoples' Campaign for Decentralised Planning (with Richard Franke) (2000); Published many books in Malayalam also. 1) 'Daridryathinte Arthasastharam' (1985) 2) Lokabankum Nanayanidhiyum(1986) 3) Keralam : Mannum Manushyanum(1987) 4) Alappuzhayude Samarapatha (1996) 5) Janakeeyasoothranam : Sidhanthavum Prayogavum (1998) 6) Janakeeyasoothranam : Chodhyangalum Utharangalum (1998)

7) Janakeeyasoothranathinte Rashtriyam (2005) 8) Kerala Vikasanam: Janapakshathuninnulla Porattom (2006) 9) Kariyunna Kalpavriksham (with M.P. Parameswaran) (1984) 10) Arthasasthram Harisree (1986) 11) Keezhadangalente Arthasasthram (with N. Harilal) (1991)

Previously elected to KLA in 2001.

Languages Known : Malayalam and English

Wife : Smt. Nata Duvvury

Children : 2 daughters

Travels abroad : USA, UK, Switzerland, Sri Lanka, Netherlands, Thailand and Sweden

Literary activities : Published a number of articles and books on Economics, Planning and Politics.

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VOTING RESULTS

Electorate : 178438

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