



**THE SOCIO – ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF CURFEW ENFORCEMENT
DUE TO OUTBREAK OF CORONAVIRUS: (A SPECIAL STUDY
CENTERED ON THE URUTHIRAPURAM NORTH GRAMA NILADHARI
DIVISION)**

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Abstract

“The study was conducted under the theme “The Socio – Economic Impacts of Curfew Enforcement due to Outbreak of Coronavirus : A Special study Centered on the Uruthirapuram North Grama Niladhari Division”. The prime objective of this study was to assess the socio-economic impact of curfew enforcement to control the outbreak of covid - 19 in the Uruthirapuram North Grama Niladhari Division of the Kilinochchi District. Both qualitative and quantitative methods have been used to conduct this study. The stratified random sampling technique was used in selection of sampling and occupation was considered as stratifying factor. The population of this study has been stratified based on occupation and then 20 percent of respondents have been considered randomly from each occupation. Actual data was Collected from Primary data sources. Questionnaire was used as a data collection technique to collect the data. The study was designed in such a way that comparison of respondents’ Socio-Economic Status before and after the curfew implementation. The descriptive statistical method was used for data analysis and SPSS software was employed for the data entry and to assess the results. The study concluded that the curfew imposed to control the spread of the coronavirus has had a negative economic impact on income, consumption, saving, investment, marketing and re-paying capacity of loans of the population of Uruthirapuram North. At the same time, it has been found that socially the positive impact is high which accounted for 53 percent compared to the negative impact which is 47 percent. The recommendations have been made that the people should be motivated to concentrate on the habit of saving, home gardening, farming, E-Learning, Traditional food intake, and hygiene to protect them themselves from the harms caused by such an unexpected circumstances in the future.

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