

Over its twenty-five-year history, the Kerala Migration Survey (KMS) has emerged as a pioneering model in migration research, providing a comprehensive and replicable methodological framework. Employing stratified systematic random sampling technique, KMS effectively captures a representative sample of households, including international migrants, internal migrants, and non-migrants. One of the key strengths of KMS is its longitudinal panel study, conducted every five years since its inception in 1998, which has completed eleven waves of data. This panel design allows for the tracking of migration patterns over time and a detailed understanding of migration's long-term effects on households and communities. The success of KMS as a model has led to its replication in six Indian states, expanding the understanding of migration trends and their socio-economic impacts across diverse regions. Its comprehensive framework equips policymakers with the data needed to design interventions that address the distinct needs of both migrant and non-migrant populations, contributing to informed, effective policies for socio-economic development.

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