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ICSSR Sponsored Two-day National Seminar

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Women's Empowerment and Sustainable Development: A Comparative Study of Meghalaya & Haryana

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Welcome Message

Dear Participants,

I am immensely pleased to welcome all presenters and participants to the ICSSR-sponsored national seminar "Women's Empowerment & Sustainable Development: A Comparative Study of Meghalaya & Haryana."

Academic institutions can be pivotal in fostering conversations and collaboration among diverse stakeholders to address gender inequality. In line with this, the Central University of Haryana (CUH), the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM), and Tripura Bamboo and Cane Development Centre (TRIBAC) have joined forces to organize a national-level seminar sponsored by ICSSR aimed at providing a platform for intellectual interaction, idea exchange, and collaboration among scholars and researchers on issues of gender inequality which will be organized at the Central University of Haryana, Mahendergarh on 27-28 March 2024.

I cordially invite all the eminent speakers and distinguished guests from around the world and various parts of the country to join us and share their extensive knowledge and expertise. We envision a seminar that not only addresses the pressing issue of gender inequality but also celebrates the diversity of our nation and promotes unity in achieving sustainable development goals.

In this National Seminar, renowned national scholars, social scientists, academicians, and planners will participate, among others, to share their expertise and experiences, which will enrich our knowledge. It shall be profoundly advantageous for all the participants, including the students.

Let us all come together to achieve the goals and success of this mega-event.

With Best Wishes,

Prof. Tankeshwar Kumar Vice-Chancellor Central University of Haryana







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Main Theme: Women's Empowerment & Sustainable Development: A Comparative Study of Meghalaya & Haryana

Sustainable Development is a critical global issue, and bridging the gender inequality gap is one of the emphasized Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Attaining this goal is crucial for addressing some of the most pressing concerns of our time. Women are disproportionately affected by various social, economic, and environmental challenges, yet they also possess the agency and capability to contribute significantly to address these issues. Recognizing the intrinsic link between Gender Equality and Sustainable Development, the seminar will explore the multifaceted aspects of women's empowerment and its implications for achieving sustainable growth.

The seminar brings together two distinct geographical regions, Haryana and Meghalaya, to explore their varying cultural diversity and ideological perspectives. By facilitating a comparative study, the seminar aims to uncover innovative solutions and learn from success stories in addressing gender inequality. Building on the UN Women's flagship report, 'Progress of the World's Women,' the seminar will provide a detailed examination of how gender equality impacts women's lives in Haryana, Meghalaya, and beyond. This comprehensive discussion will underscore the importance of prioritizing women's rights and empowerment in the sustainable development agenda. This collaborative effort between Haryana and Meghalaya will offer insights into the challenges and successes within these regions, contributing to a broader understanding of gender equality issues in Indian society.

The seminar will serve as a catalyst for renewed motivation and enthusiasm towards meeting the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly concerning gender equality. By showcasing the relevance of gender equality across all SDGs through data, stories, and real-life examples, the event will inspire participants to actively contribute to achieving these goals. Through the National Seminar, participants can share their experiences and perspectives, fostering a deeper understanding of how gender equality is integral to achieving the SDGs. By bringing together stakeholders from diverse backgrounds, the event aims to construct a comprehensive view of society, highlighting the importance of women's involvement in sustainable development initiatives. The seminar aligns with the national vision of "Amrit - kaal" and the United Nations' goal of achieving gender equality as a fundamental human right.

The primary objective of the seminar is to contribute to advancing knowledge and promoting research by fostering interdisciplinary debates on gender inequality. Specifically, the seminar aims to:

- · Provide a platform for intellectual interaction and idea exchange among scholars and researchers.
- \cdot Foster collaboration among academic institutions and stakeholders to address gender inequality.

• Explore inventive solutions to common problems through a comparative study of two diverse yet comparable regions, Haryana and Meghalaya.

- \cdot Highlight the importance of women's empowerment in achieving sustainable development goals.
- \cdot Promote the values of unity in diversity and cultural vibrancy in the spirit of "Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat."







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Sub Themes*

Women's Empowerment

- Socio-Economic Status of Women
- Women and livelihood
- Education and Literacy of Women
- Employment Opportunities and Livelihood
- Political Representation
- Role Model and Success Stories
- Microfinance and Women's Economic Empowerment
- Sustainable Business Practices
- Women in Rural and Urban Areas
- Education and Skill Development
- Self-Help Groups

Gender and Politics

- Patriarchy and Patrilineal Society
- Matriarchy and Matrilineal Society
- Women's access to public Spaces
- Women's Movement
- Women's Sexuality and Desire
- Agency and Negotiation

Sustainable Development Initiatives

- Policy Innovations and Implementation
- Empowering Women through Information and Communication
- Entrepreneurship Development and Leadership Training
- Natural Resource Management
- Climate Change Adaptation
- Indigenous Agricultural Practices
- Biodiversity Conservation

Gender Equality and Advocacy

- Gender-Responsive Policy Advocacy
- Grassroots Activism
- Social and Cultural Norms

Legal and Property Rights

- Women and Land Rights and Property Ownership
- Legislative Reforms, Customary Law and Gender Equality
- Legal Rights and Access to Justice

NGO's and Civil Society

- CSR Initiatives for Sustainable Development
- Community-Based Organizations
- Women in Community Development
- Training and Skill Enhancement Programs
- Cross-Border Learning and Collaboration

Health Care Access and Quality

- Tribal Indigenous health care medicine
- Mental Health and Behavioral Health Services
- Chronic Disease Management
- Healthcare Technologies and Innovations
- Empowerment in the Face of Health Challenges
- Health Equity

*Participants can also submit abstracts and papers not related to the mentioned subthemes but associated with the broad theme of the Seminar.





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Important Dates (Revised)

15th March 2024:	Deadline for Submission of Abstract of Paper and Poster	
16th March 2024:	Notification of Acceptance of Abstract and Posters; Registration Opens	
20th March 2024:	Deadline for Registration and Fee Payment; Registration closes	
23rd March 2024:	Deadline for submission of full-length Paper	
27-28th March 2024:	National Seminar Dates	

Abstract Submission Guidelines

Abstract will be selected on the basis of the following criteria

- Connection of the topic to the theme of the Seminar
- Relevance of the topic to contemporary times
- Conceptual clarity and methodological application

Abstract is to be sent in the following format

- Title, brief introduction, objectives, significance/relevance
- Methodology
- Major findings/thesis/argument
- Between 200-250 words,
- For English -Times New Roman, 12 pt., PDF format
- For Hindi -Kurti Dev, 10 pt., PDF format
- The above should be strictly adhered to, lest it will not be considered.

Poster Presentation Guidelines

- Poster presentations are invited from graduate and postgraduate students who are participating in the Seminar on any area related to the Seminar theme.
- Last date for submission of abstract for poster: 15th March 2024
- Abstracts for the poster should be submitted in the same format as that of the paper presentation. It requires a summary of the theoretical/conceptual, methodological and substantive aspects of the poster theme.
- Other guidelines regarding the print size, text format, colors etc., will be shared with the selected presenters later.
- The responsibility to print the poster and other supplementary material will lie with the participant. The organizers will only make arrangements for the display of the poster.
- Certificates will be issued to Poster presenters. Registration rules apply.

Paper/poster abstracts and full papers shall be emailed well before deadline to: womenempsusdev2024@gmail.com

Kindly follow the below format while writing the subject of the email: Paper/Poster Abstract-Name of the Author-Title of the paper/poster





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Registration Fees

Seminar Delegates	Regular	On the Spot
Students and Research Scholars without any financial support from external funding agency*	Rs.800/-	Rs.2000/-
Research Scholars with Fellowship#	Rs.1600/-	Rs.3200/-
Faculty/ Independent Researchers/Officers/Corporate Participants	Rs.2400/-	Rs.4000/-
Accompanying Person	Rs.1200/-	Rs.2400/-

Note: To be eligible for this registration fee, a copy of the student ID Card, an undertaking duly signed and forwarded by the head of the institution in which the student is enrolled, must be submitted along with the registration form. Without this documentation, delegate fees will be applied.

- Registration fees include a conference kit, tea breaks and food, entry to all sessions, entry to the exhibition area, and participation certificate charges. No T.A. and D.A. will be provided by the organizers. The registration fee does not include accommodation charges.
- Each co-presenter will have to register separately.
- Registration will begin on **16th March 2024 and close on 20th March 2024 Midnight**. Registration link, forms and other details regarding registration will be shared with the participants once they submit their abstracts.
- Registration will be confirmed after receiving full payment. Those who do not receive a confirmation notice are requested to contact at **womenempsusdev2024@gmail.com**
- Participants who complete their registration will only be included in the program.
- The date of payment is decisive for the registration fee. Even if the registration form is received before the above-mentioned regular deadlines, it will not be considered as regular registration if the payment has not been received.





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Accommodation

For Outstation Faculties/Independent Researchers/Officers/Corporate Participants: It is suggested that they make their own arrangement of accommodation. However, the organizers will provide necessary and possible assistance in arranging the same. The participants are advised to book their accommodation well in advance. For any queries regarding the same participants are requested to contact at <u>womenempsusdev2024@gmail.com</u>

For Students/Research Scholars: Accommodation will be on payment basis and can be arranged in University Hostels. Accommodation will be moderate and on shared/dormitory basis. Participants desirous of availing accommodation are requested to intimate their demand by 17th March, 2024 via email at <u>womenempsusdev2024@gmail.com</u>

No request for accommodation will be entertained after that. The accommodation charges will be borne by the participants and are not included in the registration fee. NO accommodation will be provided for spot registration.

Health and Insurance

Insurance and medical expenses will have to be borne by participants or their sponsoring organization before taking the journey.

Proceedings/Publications

Selected full-length papers (original research work) will be published as Seminar Proceedings by a reputed publisher.







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