U.G.C. SPONSORED NATIONAL SEMINAR

Issues in Development and Governance of Social Sector in India

February 24-25 2017, Amritsar, India



Organized by

School of Social Sciences

Guru Nanak Dev University

Amritsar

Dear Sir/Madam,

Greetings from School of Social Sciences, Guru

Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.

It gives us immense pleasure in inviting you to

participate in UGC sponsored National Seminar on 'Issues

in Development and Governance of Social Sector in India'.

The details of the Seminar along with sub themes are

attached hereby. The Seminar would be held on 24th & 25th

February, 2017 at Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.

We look forward for your participation and contribution to

the seminar. Kindly share this information with other

researchers and colleagues.

Thanking You

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Issues in Development and Governance of Social Sector in India

Through seventy years into life of free India, social justice still remains an unrealised dream for millions of homes. For safeguarding the sovereignty and security of its citizens, the state has to play a decisive role in building, designing and running a sound social sector for providing universal access to quality services to its population. However, post liberalisation, there has been an increasing trend of state withdrawal from this critical area, which has increasingly been left to the mercy of unregulated private players, who have failed to fill the void. This process of privatisation has resulted in dismantling and malfunctioning of existing public institutions, which has severely effected the poor. Though health and education find their place in Concurrent List and the major initiatives are framed and funded by the Centre, but with rising fiscal deficits and debt burdens, the states are unable to contribute their share and thereby are severely constrained in fulfilling their social obligations.

Against this background in India, School of Social Sciences is holding a two day Seminar on 'Issues in Development and Governance of Social Sector in India'. The sub themes of the seminar though tentative, follow as below:

- 1. Evaluating Government initiatives in Universalisation of Education.
- 2. Critical Appraisal of Reforms in Education
- 3. Role of Private players in Higher Education
- 4. Regulatory Mechanisms in Education Sector
- 5. Civic Society and Social Sector
- 6. Corporatisation of Health Care
- 7. Governance Issues in Universalisation of Primary Health Care
- 8. Problems and Issues of Health Professionals
- 9. Health Management in Punjab vis-à-vis India

^{**} These are only suggestive topics, by all means papers on other relevant themes are welcomed.

Dates to Remember

• Submission of abstracts (upto 300 words): 05th January, 2017

• Communication about acceptance of papers: 15th January, 2017

• Last date for submission of papers: 30th January, 2017

• Dates of the Seminar: 24th-25th February, 2017

Guidelines for the contributors

Researchers, professionals, and other stakeholders are invited to contribute papers on various Seminar themes. Papers should not exceed 5,000 words, typed in MSWord, with proper references given according to APA Style, submitted to the Organizing Secretary/Co-Organizing Secretary.

The Abstracts of accepted papers will be compiled and distributed among the participants during the Seminar. Selected and revised papers would be peer reviewed and published in the form of a book from a reputed publisher.

Registration Fee: Rs. 500/-

In case of outstation delegates prior intimation is required upto 07th February, 2017. Accommodation on twin sharing basis at modest cost would be provided by the organizers.

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