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Call for Paper

National Seminar on Balancing Economic Growth with Environmental Sustainability

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Background of the Seminar

Indian economy is enjoying a relatively high level of economic growth over the last few years accompanied by rapid industrialization, urbanization, and agricultural intensification. This growth relied extensively on the abundant and diverse natural resources. Many has put dissatisfaction on the ground that it has led to the degradation of land and water quality, caused the loss of natural habitats and generated increasing levels of air and water pollution. Rural economy, confronting with a perpetuation of disparities between and within region, a worsening of poverty, hunger, ill health and illiteracy, and the continuing deterioration of the ecosystems is a cause of concern for researchers. However, integration of environment and development concerns and greater attention to them will lead to the fulfillment of basic needs, improved living standards for all, better protected and managed ecosystems and a safer, more prosperous future. There is no denying the fact that a good number of research papers, seminar, and conferences has so far been arranged and organized in order to find either the ways of developing rural economy or to sustain our environmental resources. But, from such arrangements, it has been found that, at present development partners and environmentalists have taken extreme positions. One pushes for development at any cost, and other pushes for environmental protection even at the cost of zero development. It's time to discuss and evolve a balanced approach, ensuring economic growth and development to meet aspirations of millions, while making sure that we leave a better Bengal for our future generations in terms of environment and natural resources.

It is generally argued that the enhanced growth is likely to raise the general level of human development in the current period, which in turn may influence future economic growth potential positively. However, increasing industrialization or urbanization on the other hand, if not associated with requisite level of governance, can considerably influence the environmental sustainability in question. The adverse impact could either come through natural resource depletion and/or adverse health consequences of environmental degradation, e.g., air or water pollution. It can be further argued that with

Important Dates

**Abstract Submission
June 15, 2016**

**Acceptance Notification
June 25, 2016**

**Full Paper Submission
July 30, 2016**

**Seminar Dates
August 12-13, 2016**

Registration Fee

**Participants : Rs 500
Accommodating Person: Rs 300**

increasing level of human development, public awareness on environmental sustainability increase, which in turn will influence its pattern of governance. Thus, the relationship between economic growth and environmental performance might be more complex in nature than what believed is normally.

Given the focus on growth in the short run, many developing countries are creating little room to accommodate environmental and natural resource concerns in their economic policy. A similar picture emerges if one analyses the regional scenario within the country as well. However, despite the attempts by various studies to evaluate different environmental parameters to find out a balanced human-nature relationship, determination of a composite and sustainable solution is still lacking. Hence, a synergy between development and environmental sustainability should be a call of the hour. The current seminar proposal will make an attempt to bridge that gap by providing a platform for discussion and exchanging ideas on the main themes as well as various sub themes.

Seminar Sub-Themes

The Sub-themes of the seminar are as follows:

1. Balancing Growth - Issues and Opportunity
2. Sustainable Development - Emerging Issues
3. Sustainable Fiscal Policy and Development
4. India as a Globalized World and Sustainability - Emerging Issues
5. Urbanization and Environmental Sustainability
6. Sustainable Rural Livelihood and Environment

Guidelines for Paper Submission

Intending participants are requested to send an abstract of around 500 words containing objectives, research methodology and major findings of the study that may be considered in any one of the above sub themes. The abstract should include keywords, full address and e-mail ID of the corresponding author. The acceptance of the abstracts will be intimated to the author through e-mail and then authors have to send the complete paper to the Organizing Secretary by e-mail (dchseminareco@gmail.com). The full papers are ideally required to be within 6000 to 8000 words typed in 12-point font (Times New Roman) and 1.5-spaced with margin 1" on top, bottom, left and right. Submission of paper by e-mail is preferred. However, accepted papers are required to be sent to the seminar organizing secretary in soft copy in MS Word. A few selected papers presented in the seminar will be considered for publication with ISBN number by a reputed publisher.

Organizing Committee

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Travel and Accommodation

No travel grants will be provided. College cannot be able to arrange accommodation facilities. However, local hospitality for all out-station participants will be arranged only on confirmation of participation and payment of requisite fee.

How to Reach

Dhruba Chand Halder College is just 40 km away from Kolkata and well connected with train facility. Local trains (Namkhana/Laksmikantapur Local) will be available from Sealdah South Section at 9:08 am and 10:52 am up to Dakhsin Barasat station. College campus is adjacent to Dakhsin Barasat station.

Registration Fee

Registration procedure will start at 9:30am on August 12, 2016. On-spot registration fee is Rs 500/- for paper presenter and Rs. 300/- for accommodating person.

About the College

Dhruba Chand Halder College, formerly Dakshin Barasat college (established in 1965) is a co-educational Government-Aided college, affiliated to the University of Calcutta, situated near Dakshin Barasat Railway station. The college is NAAC accredited and included in the list of colleges maintained under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC act, 1956. Our institution disseminates knowledge from honest and dedicated teachers to a large section of student population of South 24 Parganas district of West Bengal, most of which are under privileged and poor so that a following generation becomes richer than the preceding one in all respects.