

Dear Sir/Madam

It gives us immense pleasure to cordially invite you and your faculty members along with research scholars and PG students to participate in the Seminar on "Prospects of Making Haryana a Total Organic State" on 28th March 2019 to be held in Senate Hall of Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra

About KUK

Kurukshetra University is one of the premier educational institutions of India. Established in 1956, the University is providing higher education to over half a million students on the campus and its affiliated colleges. By virtue of its commitment to excellence, the University has been awarded A+Grade by NAAC and has been placed at 8th position amongst the State Universities of the country in Category-I by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) and has also been granted academic autonomy. The University programmes combine the enduring value of a liberal arts education with the skills and experience offered by professional departments. The University offers 175 courses on the campus in 47 Departments/institutes through a highly qualified faculty. The University also plays an important role in providing higher education to the youth of the State through its 282 affiliated colleges and institutes in seven district of Haryana.

Department of Economics

The Department of Economics established in 1961, is one of the oldest Departments of the Kurukshetra University. At present, the department offers courses in M.A., MA Business Economics, M.Phil, and Ph.D. in Economics. It attracts a large number of students at the Post-Graduate level including foreign students. The teaching programs in the Department are focused on proper blending of 'quality' and 'relevance'. This is sought to be achieved by periodic updating of syllabi in conformity with the advancement of the knowledge in the subject, balancing emphasis on theoretical analysis with that on applied economics, introducing new courses from time to time and making tutorials more effective by establishing close students-teacher contact. Many of its alumni have distinguished themselves in both academic and administrative spheres across the country and the world-a small testimony, perhaps to the excellence of training that we have managed to give them.

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One Day National Seminar

On

**"Prospects of Making Haryana a
Total Organic State"**

28th March 2019



**Organized by
Department of Economics, KUK**

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Venue

Senate Hall

Kurukshetra University

Kurukshetra

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About the Seminar

The benefits of green revolution in Haryana and NWR have largely plateaued. The heavy use of chemicals in the agriculture is creating many health hazards for the animals and human beings by entering into the food-chain. The health of all living beings is deteriorating simultaneously increasing the cost of avoiding negative effects of agricultural environmental spillovers and even the cost of farm production. The share of agriculture in GDP is falling without showing a decline in the percentage of persons dependent upon it. It is not possible to increase the area of cultivation or the farm yields by the existing technologies. The cultivation of water intensive crops is leading towards another possible catastrophe i.e. fast emerging dark-zones and water stressed areas. The need for crop diversification has become inevitable. On the other hand, we observe that the increased environmental awareness and health consciousness in urban as well as rural areas is forcing people to demand chemical free food-grains, edible seeds, milk, gur, raw sugar, dried fruits, vegetables & fruits. The readiness to pay higher prices for relatively safer food items (may be organic or indigenous i.e. desi) is increasing. These developments suggest that the agriculture crisis in general & particularly in Haryana can be solved by adopting organic farming.

Objectives of the Seminar

It would seek the answer to following questions:

1. Is the demand for organic farm produce increasing significantly?
2. To what extent the attitude, tastes & preferences of urban and rural people have become favorable towards organic farm produce?
3. Are the people ready to pay higher prices for organic farm products?
4. What are the averting expenditures of farmers to protect farm revenue?
5. What are the averting expenditures of consumers to avoid environmental health hazards?
6. What kind of administrative procedures are required to grade the farm products in terms of their organic nature
7. What will be the expected response of farmers towards a given policy change?
8. How much additional income will be generated by adopting the organic farming?

Sub -Themes

1. SWOT analysis for Making Haryana a fully organic state
2. Agriculture Crisis in Haryana and NWR
3. Doubling of Farm Income
4. Impact of Climate Change on Farm Revenue
5. Challenges of Crop Diversification
6. Land Degradation and Deteriorating Soil Quality in Haryana
7. Management of Crop Residuals
8. Risks faced by Farmers
9. Aquaculture, Precision Farming, Protected Farming, Multi Layer Farming
10. Local Innovations by Farmers
11. Organic Horticulture
12. Various Schemes of Govt for Agriculture & Allied Activities: Effectiveness and success
13. Trends in Land Holding Size
14. Trends in Farm Mechanisation
15. Possibilities of Electricity Production by Farmers with Solar or Residual waste in Haryana
16. Compatibility of above themes with Organic Farming

The Participants

The participants are inclusive of the Administrators, Farmer Representatives, Teacher Educators, and Academicians, Teachers of the Universities, Colleges, Research Scholars, Social Workers and other Higher Educational Institutions of the Country.

Submission of the Papers

The Delegates who are willing to contribute papers can submit their papers on the above themes and sub-themes. Abstracts and full length papers should be mailed to

Email: icssr.seminar1@gmail.com

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Guidelines for Paper Presenters

Empirical Research papers submitted for presentation must be original, previously unpublished, and not under consideration for publication elsewhere. The text should be double-spaced throughout and with a minimum of 3cm for left and right hand margins and 5cm at head and foot. Text should be in Times New Roman 12 point. Abstract should be in 200 to 250 words. Information of selected abstracts will be announced on the e-mail on or before 16th March 2019. Both the abstract and the full paper should be sent by e-mail to icssr.seminar1@gmail.com in MS Word Format only. Selected empirical research papers presented during the seminar will be published as an edited volume with ISBN Number. However, the decision of the Jury will be final for selection of the papers to be published

Dates to Remember

Abstract Submission: 12nd March, 2019

Full Paper Submission: 17th March, 2019

Registration Fee

Research Scholars : Rs 500/-

Faculty : Rs. 1000/-

Note: Registration fee includes: Seminar Kit, Participation Certificate and hospitality during the Seminar.

Programme

10 AM -11.30 AM	Inaugural
11.30AM-11.45AM	Tea
11.45 AM-12.45 PM	Plenary Session
12.45PM-1.30 PM	Technical Session I
1.30 PM- 2 PM	Lunch
2.00PM-2.45 PM	Technical Session II &III
2.45PM- 3.30 PM	Technical Session V
3.30PM- 4.15PM	Valedictory
4.15PM	Tea