

Important Dates

Submission of Abstract : 15th November, 2021
Submission of Full Paper : 20th November, 2021
Date of Registration : 26th November, 2021

Registration Details

Every participants/delegate needs to register himself/herself with a Registration Fee (in cash) of Rs. 300/- for research scholars/students, and Rs. 500/- for Teachers & others on the day of Seminar. The registration will start on 26th November, 2021 at 9:00 am for all participants. Participants are requested to register themselves by filling “**Registration Form**” along with registration fee on the spot.

Accommodation will be made available for the outstation participants on their prior request. The participants are advised to arrange TA/DA from their parent institutions.

All correspondence in this context may be addressed to Organizing Secretary or Convener.

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National Seminar

on

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar and

Indian Democracy

November 26, 2021

-:Venue:-

Senate Hall

Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra



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About the University

The Kurukshetra University was established in 1956 as a unitary residential university and its foundation stone was laid by late Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the first President of India. Located in the holy city of Kurukshetra, its campus is situated on the western bank of Brahm Sarover (the holy tank) and extends over an area of over 400 acres. In the north-east of the University, there is an old 'Buddha-stupa' which preserve the heritage and culture of Buddhist era. Starting with only the Department of Sanskrit, it has grown into a multi-faculty University as one of the premier centres for advanced study and research in the region. The University has been awarded "A+" Grade by NAAC and has also been granted academic autonomy under 'Category-1' by the University Grants Commission for maintaining high academic standards.

About the Centre

The Centre for Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies was set up in Kurukshetra University in June, 1992 to mark the centenary celebrations of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. A tall statue of Dr. Ambedkar was unveiled on 12th April, 2017 in the lawn of Faculty of Law at Kurukshetra University campus. The objectives



of the Centre include promoting an objective study of Dr. Ambedkar's works, understanding his relevance in the present day, bringing out journals and other publications devoted to his life and works, encouraging M. Phil and Ph. D. scholars to explore the works and ideology of Dr. Ambedkar and holding seminars, conferences, symposia, lectures and competitions on Dr. Ambedkar so as to provide a common platform to the scholars working on Dr. Ambedkar's thoughts in India and abroad to share their views and experiences

About the Seminar

'Bharat Ratna' Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar, the chief architect of Indian Constitution, played a significant role in laying the foundation of democracy in India. His commitment for the cause of justice manifested in his conduct while he resigned as law minister on the issue of Hindu Code Bill relating to marriage, divorce and property rights of women. With the support of the Constituent Assembly he infused affirmative action and protective mechanism in the Constitution of the country to ensure social, economic and political democracy to Indians including downtrodden, Adivasis, Backward Classes, minorities and women. He firmly believed that political democracy cannot succeed without social and economic democracy. For him political

democracy is not an end in itself, but the most powerful means to achieve the social and economic ideals in society. State socialism within the framework of parliamentary democracy can defeat dictatorship. Dr. Ambedkar was greatly concerned about the unity of the country. He had not slightest doubt in his mind also about the future evolution and ultimate shape of social, political and economic structure of India. He was quite convinced that given time and circumstances nothing in the world will prevent this unity of the country. He even hoped that despite the agitation of the Muslims for the partition of India someday enough light would dawn them and they too will begin to think that a united India will be better even for them. For unity of the country, he favours formation of unilingual states as against multi-lingual states. The unilingual states can foster the fellow-feeling which is the foundation of a stable state.

Sub-Themes

- Making of Indian Constitution
- Indian Constitution and Future of Indian Democracy
- Ambedkar's ideas on Socio-Economic Democracy
- Political Democracy
- Ambedkar and National Integration
- Ambedkar's thoughts on Indian Nationalism
- Ambedkar and other thinkers on Indian Democracy
- Women and Indian Democracy
- India vs. other Democracies
- Challenges to Indian Democracy
- Parliamentary vs. Presidential Democracy
- Multi-Party System and Indian Democracy

Call for Papers:

The Seminar is open for all i.e. Teachers, Advocates, Judges, Social Activists, Research Scholars/ Students, etc. The participants are requested to send an abstract of their paper not exceeding 300 words on theme/sub-themes of the conference through e-mail (cdbraseminar2021@gmail.com) to the Organizing Secretary latest by 15th November 2021. Participants are further requested to send their unpublished original full research paper along with relevant references between 2500-4000 words latest by 20th November, 2021. The abstract and full paper should be submitted in MS Word typed in Times New Roman with 12 font size (for English version) and Kruti Dev 10 with 14 font size (for Hindi version) with 1.5 line spacing with sufficient margin. Only selected papers will be allowed for presentation in the Seminar.

Selected Research Papers will be published in the form of an edited book which will be released after the Seminar.