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Register Separately

Participants are requested to send their Registration with all details to the Seminar Director together with Registration Fee by D.D drawn in favour of Center for Women's Studies, payable at Pondicherry.

Travel and Accommodation

Authors (first author only) of accepted papers will be provided II A/c sleeper class rail/bus fare (shortest route). Due to limited financial resources, the Directors and Coordinators of Women Studies, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies, Gandhian Studies, Center for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, Human Rights and other Centers supported by UGC/ICSSR are requested to meet their Travel from the UGC/ICSSR grant available under the head TA/DA. However, the Seminar Organizers will take care of the accommodation and local hospitalities of the registered outside delegates.

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National Seminar

On

Empowerment of Women in the Era
of Globalization: Challenges and Opportunities

14-15 December, 2012

CALL FOR PAPERS



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Pondicherry University

(A Central University)

Puducherry – 605 014

About the University

Pondicherry University, a Central University, established through an Act of Parliament in 1985 recently celebrated its Silver Jubilee. Located in the picturesque and serene beach town of Pondicherry, the beautiful campus is spread over 780 acres of land covered with lush green vegetation. Having emerged as the fastest growing Central University during the XI Plan, it has set its goal to reach the target of intake of 12,000 students by the end of the XII Plan. The University is spread over three Campuses. The Main Campus is at Puducherry comprising of 15 Schools, 45 Departments & Centers, 168 PG & Research Programmes. The other two comparatively smaller Campuses are located at Port Blair and Karaikal respectively and they have been established during the XI Plan period. Nurtured by various eminent Vice-Chancellors, the University prides itself in the best of infrastructure scholarship and expertise.

About the Centre

The Centre for Women's Studies, Pondicherry University is an interdisciplinary teaching and research Centre. Since its inception in 1999, the Centre's overall approach has been multidisciplinary. It offers academic courses along with research in Women's Studies and creating awareness on women sensitive issues. The Centre has organized various National Seminars, Workshops, Poster

Exhibitions, Discussion, Forums and Extension Activities. The Centre is also involved in screening women oriented films from time to time. The Centre has proposed to start a new full time Post Graduate Programme in Women Studies from 2013-14 academic year.

About the Seminar

The forces of globalization and the information explosion are bringing people closer than ever before. However, the women who form 50% of the population in most of the developing countries are still marginalized and sidelined by the male dominated society. They have been denied property rights, educational rights, comfort rights, political rights, cultural rights and even equal status. Empowerment of women is one of the most important goals of majority of the democratic welfare states including India. The Indian Constitution underlines gender equality in all walks of life and the Directive Principles of State Policy also advocate on government interventions so as to take special initiatives for empowering women. However, the sixty plus years of India's nation building experience has not achieved the inclusive growth both for the women folk and also the disadvantaged segments of the society. The 5000 year old deep rooted bias and prejudice about women should be fought jointly and systematically. In this context, it is proposed to organize a three-day National level seminar on this theme inviting scholars from different institutions of higher learning

Broad Areas and Themes

1. Historical Perspectives of Women in India.
2. Popular Democracy and Women.
3. UNO and Women Empowerment.
4. International Law and Women Empowerment.
5. Globalization and its Impact on Women.
6. Various Religious Perspectives on Women.
7. The Impact of Culture on Women.
8. The role of Education on Women.
9. Indian Constitution and Women Empowerment.
10. The States Initiatives on Women Empowerment.
11. The Role of Judiciary on Gender Equality.
12. NGOs, MNCs, Media and the role of Unorganized Sectors on Women Empowerment.
13. Microfinance and its Impact on Women.
14. Empowering the Differently Abled Women.
15. The Ways and Means to Uplift Dalits, Tribals and Deprived Women.
16. Women and Nutrition

These sub-themes are only the possible suggestive topics and the paper presenters are free to choose the themes which fall within the broader parameters of the seminar themes.

Call for Papers

We encourage Academicians, Professional bodies, NGOs, MNCs Research Scholars and Bureaucrats to write papers on the above mentioned themes. The paper presenters must submit both hard and soft copies of the abstract not exceeding 300 words on or before 30th October 2012 and the full paper not exceeding 12 pages with not more than two authors, typed in A4 size paper, Times new Roman font on or before 20th November 2012. Kindly send the abstract and full paper to the Seminar Director. Peer reviewed articles will be published as a book with ISBN No. on the first day of the Seminar.

Dates to be Remembered

Submission of Abstract: 30th October, 2012.

Submission of Full Paper : 20th November, 2012.

Registration Fee: For Faculty and other Professionals : Rs 500/-

For Local Participants and Research Scholars : Rs 300/-