

## ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, UNIVERSITY OF LUCKNOW

The Department of Economics considers it of utmost importance to maintain the standards of teaching and research as has been the glorious tradition of the Department and to educate the public and advise the government on social and economic issues.

Established in 1921 as the Department of Sociology and Economics in the leadership of Prof Radha Kamal Mukherjee, the Department of Economics became independent in 1955 and shifted to PG Block later, newly constructed building in 1957.

We run different courses in the Department of Economics. These are BA, Master of Arts (Economics) and Ph.D. in Economics.

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### ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The Indian economy has been showing an accelerated growth rate since the 1980s and this phenomenon has been more pronounced since the early 1990s when the country went on the path of big bang economic reforms. The country was about to achieve a high growth rate of almost the double digit in the late years of the preceding decade. But suddenly the burst of bubble at the global economy level had its adverse impact on the Indian economy and other South Asian economy. Thereafter, the economy got further drowned in low economic syndrome. Scholars attribute it to many contradictions in the economy. However, there seems to be now signs of strong recovery.

Countries of the South Asia are also performing better as reflected through the economic growth rates particularly in countries like Bangladesh, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. The Sri Lankan economy has been able to break the barrier of sub-five percent growth since the last almost ten years and it is about to touch double digit mark despite instable growth behavior. This economy is performing well while having the best record of human development in South Asia although its manufacturing and services record is far from being satisfactory. Similarly, the Bangladesh economy shows better realizations and improved economic base while its human development is showing improvement and inequalities seem to be getting narrowed down. On the contrary, the economic inequality in Pakistan

seems to be high and quite evident between the north and south besides east and west despite showing a growth record of above 6 percent a year. The country is also plagued by the internal strife in several ways. Nepal has been moving slowly and inconsistently and now it seems to have gone down heavily due to the devastating earthquake in April 2015. Its tourism economy has been badly damaged. Moreover, India is found geographically at the centre and linked directly with each of the member nations.

Thus, it appears that although the South Asian economy led by India has been showing better economic performances, each and every country including India seems to suffer from several internal challenges and shortcomings. These are unique to all the countries. Still, we may find that each country suffers from poor economic infrastructure, poor manufacturing base, low human development, etc. Several other parameters need to be watched in this region. Even the economies of the South Asia seem to vary largely from each other.

Given the above, we plan to organize an international seminar for brainstorming to understand the parameters of the South Asian economy including India in their economic growth.

#### Sub-Themes of the Seminar

We have following sub-themes for the international seminar:

- ◆ Changing Structure of the World Economy
- ◆ Shifting of Economic Power towards the Asian Economies
- ◆ Emergence of the South Asian Economies
- ◆ Indian Economy in the World Economy
- ◆ Growth of the Sri Lankan, Bangladesh and Pakistan Economies
- ◆ Pattern of the Nepal, Bhutan and Afghanistan Economies
- ◆ Prospects of the Manufacturing Sector in the Indian Economy
- ◆ Scope of the Indian Agrarian Economy
- ◆ Reality of the Service Sector Growth in India
- ◆ Infrastructure Development in India
- ◆ Make in India and Global Linkage of the Indian Economy
- ◆ Social Sector Challenges and Human Development in India
- ◆ Issues of Governance and Policy Initiative in India with the New Government
- ◆ Economic Integration among the South Asian Economies
- ◆ Political Economy in the Region

The above list of the themes of the seminar is illustrative. We welcome a quality submission on related themes in conformity with the overall seminar theme.

#### Abstract and Paper Submissions :

Abstract of no more than 300 words including key words and author's complete details should be submitted. All abstracts would be reviewed by a voluntary team, the decision of which will be notified by email.

Paper submitted to the Seminar must be original. Authors are requested to submit the abstract and full paper through e-mail attachment in MS Word format to int.seminar.lu.2016@gmail.com

#### Important Dates : (Revised)

Last date for abstract submission	31.12.2015	14.01.2016
Abstract acceptance to be notified by email	10.01.2016	18.01.2016
Last date for full paper submission	25.01.2016	28.01.2016

Selected papers would be published in a book.

#### Registration Fee:

Academicians and others	Outstation	₹ 2000/-
Academicians and others	Local	₹ 1500/-
Research Scholars & students	Outstation	₹ 1500/-
Research Scholars & students	Local	₹ 1000/-
Academicians and others	International	₹ 3000/-
Research Scholars & students	International	₹ 2500/-

(Registration fee includes modest local hospitality including seminar kit, tea, lunch, etc during the seminar. Accommodation may be provided at moderate level on first come, first get basis. However, we may guide the delegates for hotels as per their requirements in Lucknow on self payment basis.)

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