





# **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Two Day National Seminar on

# Growth and Social Sector Development in Uttar Pradesh Economy

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# 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 in 1957.

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### **About the Seminar**

Uttar Pradesh is the largest state of India with one-sixth of the nation's population residing here. Its share in terms of the geographical area remains much lower from other states and it shares only 7.4 percent. Uttar Pradesh has been making progress in terms of economic growth and other social indicators. However, there appears to be the situation that such growth and transformations are found to be slow and inadequate considering the challenges in the state economy.

There have been sectoral changes in the economy of Uttar Pradesh but it has been slow and lacks desired dynamism. Whereas in the Indian economy the share of the primary sector has come down to below 15 percent, in Uttar Pradesh it still continues to be around one of the state income. Besides, the dominance of the tertiary sector has been similar to that in the national economy. Still, the nature and pattern has been weak in the state economy. The industrial stagnation and retrogression continues to an area of seep concern for development practitioners in the state economy besides the independent researchers. Poor infrastructure continues to be a major challenge in the economy as for example during the last more than ten years installed capacity of power generation by the state has been reduced and no major breakthrough is in the pipeline yet.

The state fails to be hub of any major economic initiative where the investments can flow in from other parts of the country or outside the country. No major investments private or public could be found in the State. Per capita income of Uttar Pradesh continues to be even lower than Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Odisha, etc. The farm sector is getting marginalized due to non-availability of gainful employment in the non-farm sector. In fact, the State economy seems to get trapped in such a vicious circle due to slowed growth performance after the 1980s. Even the recent upward movement in the economic growth rate in Uttar Pradesh needs to be analyzed carefully.

Social sector and human development continues to be at low level despite many initiatives in Uttar Pradesh. It ranks almost the lowest among the major states of

India in terms of the human development. The state suffers from very low sex ratio and very high infant mortality very high fertility rates. Along with this, the state of Uttar Pradesh has been slow performer in terms of literacy rate in general and women literacy in particular when compared to other major states of India. Women empowerment remains a major challenge here.

#### Sub-Themes of the Seminar

Sub-themes of the seminar would be as under:

- Pattern of Economic Growth in Uttar Pradesh and India
- Structural transformation and modernization of the Farm sector
- Rural distress in Uttar Pradesh
- ♦ Industrial stagnation in the State economy
- ◆ Challenges of infrastructure development
- Governance and economic development in Uttar Pradesh
- Fiscal management and economic growth
- Social sector challenges in the State
- Demographic behaviour in Uttar Pradesh
- Private investments in Uttar Pradesh
- Mainstreaming the marginalized sections of the population
- Political initiatives and economic growth in Uttar Pradesh
- Uttar Pradesh and other state economies in India

The above sub-themes are illustrative and good papers on somewhat allied issues may also be considered in accordance with the overall theme of the seminar.

# **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. Full papers must be in the range of 4000-6000 words.

#### **Poster Presentation:**

We are also planning for a poster presentation by the young scholars. For this also the keen scholars must submit abstract of no more than 300 words including key words and author's complete details should be submitted. For this, the scholars must clearly mention in the subject box of email as poster presentation and the name of the scholar(s) presenting the poster. We have made provision for prizes for best posters (up to five).

Paper / poster 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 upseminar.lu@gmail.com

Important Dates		
Last date for abstract submission	10.03.2017	<del>10.01.2017</del>
Abstract acceptance to be notified by email	20.03.2017	<del>15.01.2017</del>
Last date for full paper submission	30.03.2017	<del>21.01.2017</del>

#### **Publications:**

We plan to select around 35-40 good quality papers after the seminar in 2 volumes of book. We would be encouraging the young researchers and academicians for the final paper publications.

There is also a possibility of few good quality papers being selected for the **Indian Economic Journal**, a scholarly journal of the Indian Economic Association.

All abstracts would be published and would be distributed among the participating scholars.

# **Registration Fee:**

Academicians and others	Outstation	Rs 900/-
Academicians and others	Local	Rs 700/-
Research Scholars & students	Outstation	Rs 800/-
Research Scholars & students	Local	Rs 600/-

(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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