

Al Beruni Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy
MAULANA AZAD NATIONAL URDU UNIVERSITY
Hyderabad

Two Day National Seminar
On
Social Violence and Social Exclusion
(March 27-28, 2017)

We are pleased to invite you to participate / present a research paper in the Two Days (ICSSR, New Delhi sponsored), **NATIONAL SEMINAR** on, **Social Violence and Social Exclusion**, being organised by the Al Beruni Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad, during **March 27-28, 2017 (Monday and Tuesday)** at MANUU Campus, Hyderabad.

About the Seminar

The religious minorities of India in the recent past have been facing social violence related exclusion in many aspects of their day to day life. As is well known, that violence could be defined as brutal violence, genocide or communal violence or terrorist violence based on its nature and intensity or its form. More than a quarter of a century since the introduction of LPG (Liberalization, Privatization and Globalization), we know relatively very little about the diverse welfare trajectories of excluded sections in different corners of the country, all of which have been subject to fundamental social, economic and political transformations in India. The time is now ripe for a systematic analysis of different layers of social exclusion, discrimination, poverty, graded inequality and social violence in Indian society and how the state has addressed these issues over the last two and half decades, i.e., since the heralding of globalization in India and particularly after the Babri masjid demolition, which is considered as a watershed in the Muslims' situation in the country. The main purpose of the Seminar is to critically examine relevant data in order to provide explanations that could trigger new lines of thought on how to achieve improved well-being of different marginalized communities like Muslims in India.

Objectives of the Seminar

The main objective of this National Seminar on the **Social Violence and Social Exclusion** is to initiate a discussion on the need to go beyond the stereotype image of religious minorities, particularly of Muslims in negative trend and analyze the ground realities of their situation in the country from social exclusion perspective.

The Seminar provides a platform to the scholars, researchers, policy makers and the academia to express their views on the status of religious minorities, particularly of Muslims and the problems confronted by them based on their research and experiences in the contemporary society. The theme of the Seminar will be discussed and debated for two days and methods and ideas will be evolved for a policy solution to this kind of social exclusion of this important community of India. This community's exclusion would also have huge implications for the development and growth of Indian economy that Government is talking about. The **TWO-DAY National Seminar** is aimed at encouraging scholars to come up with small studies and findings from different cities and towns across India.

Broad Themes of the Seminar

The Seminar proposes to address the following **Themes**:

- Conceptual and Theoretical aspects of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policies with special reference to Religious Minorities
- Social Violence in pre and post-independent India: Factors, Agents and Victims
- Muslims and other minorities - Stigma and Stereotypes
- Distance (Social, Spatial and Psychological) between Minorities and other Communities
- Discrimination in accessing Education, Employment, Housing, Banking, Food and Health
- Legal, Economic and Political and Cultural issues involved in Communal Violence and Persecutions
- Way-Ahead: Road-Map for peaceful coexistence

Sub-Themes

- Rising social violence in contemporary India
- Socio-economic status of Socio-Religious Communities in India
- Interfaith Relations in India: Focus on Muslim and Christian communities
- Prejudice and Violence against Muslims and Christians
- Islamophobia and Media role
- Indian State, Society, Secularism in relation to Islam and Christianity
- Indian Constitution and Freedom of Religion in India
- Discrimination and ghettoisation of minority neighbourhoods
- Any other topic related to the broad theme of the Seminar

Call for Papers

The Centre invites for research papers that present case studies or comparative studies of different states in the country or papers that examine the experiences of different minority communities, particularly of Muslims, with regard to the issues given in the theme of the Seminar. Ideally, it will also contribute to theoretical and empirical evidence from different states across the country to sustain sound social policy.

Original papers or case studies are invited on any one of the given themes for presentation. The papers (Max.3000 words or 15 pages written in English/Urdu) along with an Abstract not exceeding (350 Words - MS-Word Format) should be electronically submitted to: csseip_manuu@yahoo.com or sathaha@yahoo.com and hard copy to **Seminar Convener, Dr. S. Abdul Thaha**, Asst. Professor, ACSSEIP, MANUU, Hyderabad-500032. After the review of the Screening Committee, only the short listed papers will be called for presentation in the Seminar.

Outcome

The papers presented in the Seminar will be published in the form of an edited book. The observations and data related to the theme of the Seminar will be used as inputs in the training programmes and research activities of the Centre.

Travel and Accommodation

Selected paper contributors would be reimbursed TA (maximum up to II Sleeper Class by Train/Bus), on production of original tickets as per University norms, apart from providing local Hospitality. However, as the limited funds are available, the participants are requested to seek the travel allowance from their respective institutions.

Important Dates

Last Date for Abstract Submission	: 13.03.2017
Acceptance Notice	: 15.03.2017
Last Date for Full Paper Submission	: 25.03.2017
Date of the Seminar	: 27-28 March, 2017 (Monday and Tuesday)

Registration Fees

Academicians/Researchers/Organizations : Rs.500.00
Students/Research Scholars/Registered Participants : Rs.300.00

Seminar Venue

Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Gachibowli, Hyderabad – 500032

Organizing Committee

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About the Centre

The Al Beruni Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (ACSSEIP) was established in May 2007 at Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad. Its' key objectives include contextualizing and problematizing, while conceptualizing, the exclusion and inclusion existed on the lines of caste/ethnicity and religion, in the society. It also plays a key role in suggesting policy formulations aiming at eradicating the problem of social exclusion and discrimination and protecting the rights of these groups. Its activities include, teaching, research and action oriented programmes in collaboration with the reputed bodies working in the areas of social development among the socially excluded groups.

About the University

Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), accredited with 'A' Grade by NAAC, is a Central University established at National Level in 1998 by an Act of Parliament to promote and develop the Urdu language and to impart vocational and technical education in Urdu medium through conventional and distance modes. Sprawled over 200 acres, the Head Quarters of the University is located at Gachibowli, Hyderabad, Telangana State. The objectives of the University are to promote and develop the Urdu language, to impart education and training in vocational and technical subjects through the medium of Urdu, to provide wider access to people desirous of pursuing programmes of higher education and training in Urdu medium. Special focus of the University is to promote women education so as to reduce the existing educational inequalities in India.