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# Multidisciplinary International Seminar

on

"Environmental Sustainability and Conservation: Issues and Challenges"

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### **Organized by**

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Bongaigaon College, Bongaigaon

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#### Dear Sir/Madam,

It is really a privilege to inform you with immense pleasure that as a part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (75<sup>th</sup> Years of Independence), the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Bongaigaon College, Bongaigaon, Assam, INDIA is going to organize a three day ICSSR Sponsored International Seminar on "Environmental Sustainability and Conservation: Issues and Challenges" in the college premises on 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022. The seminar intends to provide a forum for scholars, researchers and academicians to interact and exchange views on this theme.

We, therefore, cordially invite all of you to actively participate and contribute research paper in the seminar and make it a grand success.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Dinesh Das Principal & Chairperson Dr. Rahin Ch. Das Convener

International Seminar Organizing Committee Bongaigaon College, Bongaigaon

#### **Profile of the College:**

Bongaigaon College is a higher educational institution in Bongaigaon district of Assam, India. A group of visionaries contemplated starting an institution of higher learning in the educationally backward area of Assam on 8 July, 1964. The establishment of this esteemed institution happens to be the brain child of a group of leading academicians, social workers, political personalities and certain citizens under the leadership of Late Sitanath Brahma Choudhury, an ex-MP and ex-President of Asam Sahitya Sabha. The provincilised system of the college has been accorded by the Government of Assam since 2006 after completing thirty four years of administration under deficit grant-in-aid system. It has been recognized by the UGC under section 2(f) and 12(B) since its coming under deficit system in 1972. The college has been assessed and accredited by NAAC in 2019 for 3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle and has been awarded "B" grade.

Bongaigaon College is affiliated to Gauhati University. The college is about 200 km from Guwahati, the capital city of Assam. The college with a campus of 60 bighas of land, offers 10+2 courses (Arts & Com.) and Undergraduate (BA, B.Com., BBA & JMC) – both General and Major courses apart from offering MA Course in English and Hindi. The college has also been the study centres of IDOL Gauhati University and SOS under AHSEC, Guwahati.

Recently, the Cabinet meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 at Bongaigaon in which the Government of Assam approved the Bongaigaon College to be upgraded to a full-fledged State University.

# **Environmental Sustainability and Conservation: Issues and Challenges Thematic Rationale:**

In any country's environmental problems are related to the level of its economic development, the availability of natural resources and the lifestyle of its population. In India, rapid growth of population, poverty, urbanization, industrialization and several related factors are responsible for the rapid degradation of the environment. However, accelerated economic growth with high consumption level in developed countries and aspirations of developing countries to reach matching levels of growth are continuing to damage our Planet Earth's environment. India is one of the fastest growing economies of the world and will continue its widespread and rapid urbanization and industrialization often compels planners to overlook the importance of maintaining a natural balance in environment. The unbridled economic development have resulted ecological imbalance with disastrous fallouts such as deleting natural resources, degraded land, disappearing forests, endangered species, dangerous toxins, global warming etc. There should, therefore, be a reasonable compromise between developmental activities and conservation of the environment.

Since long a course of action plan was resolved in Rio-declaration to improve environmental degradation, to reduce the loss of biodiversity and emission of greenhouse gases and to go ahead towards sustainable development. Emission of greenhouse gases from automobiles, power plants etc. is known to be a prime contributor to global warming and climate change. Adaptation and mitigation of this menace is a responsibility not only of individual country or community but calls for consorted action from the International Community. Like all other countries, India needs to find a way to ensure environmental sustainability without compromising its economic and social development. To address growing environmental challenges, a new development paradigm is needed that puts people at the centre of development, regards economic growth as a means and not an end, protects the life opportunities of future generations as well as the present generations and respects the natural systems on which all life depends.

Environmental sustainability is a key concept that provides an answer to the question how humankind coexists harmoniously with the earth and with nature. In this backdrop, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Bongaigaon College is planning to organize a three days International Seminar on **Environmental Sustainability and Conservation: Issues and Challenges** on 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 in collaboration with the Department of Environmental Studies, Bongaigaon College to address issues and challenges of sustainability in the era of fast changing environment. The Organizers hope that the discussions and deliberations during the seminar will come out with concrete action plans and remedial measures to some extent to resolve the issue of conflict between environmental degradation and sustainability.

#### **Sub-themes**:

- 1. Global Warming and Climate Change
- 2. Biodiversity and Wild Life Protection
- 3. Sustainable Agriculture
- 4. Natural Resource Management
- 5. Population and Environment
- 6. Education and Environment
- 7. Poverty and Environment
- 8. Urbanization and Environment
- 9. Energy and Environment
- 10. Air, Water and Soil and Environment
- 11. Tourism Development and Environment Restoration
- 12. Industrial Organizations towards Environment Protection
- 13. Biotechnology, Food Security and its Impact on Environment
- 14. Socio-Economic and Legal Dimensions of Sustainable Development
- 15. Any other related Issues

#### Call for Paper:

Seminar papers are invited from university/college teachers, research scholars, students and academicians on the above-mentioned theme. The sub-themes are only illustrative in nature and may include any paper covering the major theme of the seminar. Communication of acceptance will be sent to author for presentation.

#### **Abstract Submission:**

Abstract must be written in English and in MS word. Abstract of paper presenter is to be submitted within the specified date as mentioned below and the following ordering is requested to be followed—Title of the Paper, Name of the Author/Co-author, Designation, Institution, Email ID, Contact Number within 300 words with maximum 3 (three) Keywords. The abstract is to be submitted to **internationalseminar.bc22@gmail.com** 

#### **Full Paper Submission:**

Full paper of paper presenter is to be submitted within the specified date as mentioned below. The full paper for publication should contain Introduction, Review of Literature, Objectives, Methodology, Discussion, Results/Findings, Policy Implications and Conclusion. References should be given at the end of the paper arranged alphabetically by authors, followed by the year of publications, name of the journals, articles or books, etc, name of the publishers, place of publications and relevant pages in succession. The full paper should be 2500–3000 words with abstract. The full paper is to be submitted to internationalpaper.bc22@gmail.com

#### **Accommodation:**

Accommodation could be arranged to the paper presenters on request in hotels at Bongaigaon, but they will have to bear the expenses. The hotel rents are affordable. Alternatively, they can arrange their accommodation directly. The organizing committee will announce the list of the recommended hotels later. No TA/DA will be provided to the participants except the invited speaker/chairperson.

#### Climate of Bongaigaon in September:

The temperature in September generally reaches a high of about  $30^{0}$  C during the daytime and the average minimum temperature comes down to  $25^{0}$  C at night. The relative humidity level is about 87% for the same period.

#### **Nearest Airport:**

The nearest airports are Lokapriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport, Guwahati and Bagdogra Airport, Siliguri which are not more than two hours journey by air from Delhi. These airports are also connected to Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai and other airports in India and Abroad.

#### **Nearest Railway Station:**

The nearest railway stations suggested are New Bongaigaon, Kokrajhar, New Coochbehar and New Alipurduar which are well connected with most of the cities and towns in India by trains. Those who want to reach Bongaigaon by train can also avail of all trains which have stoppage at New Bongaigaon Junction (NBQ).

#### **Nearest Bus Station:**

The nearest bus station is Bongaigaon, in the heart of Bongaigaon City from which buses both private and government run to different parts of Assam and West Bengal like Guwahati, Barpetaroad, Kokrajhar, Coochbehar, Alipurduar, Barovisha, etc.



Seminar Date : 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022

Last date of Abstract Submission : 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2022 Last date of Payment of Registration Fee : 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 Full Paper Submission : 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2022

#### **Registration Fee:**

Indian Paper Presenter – 2000 INR
Indian Research Scholar/Student – 1800 INR
SAARC/Non SAARC Countries Paper Presenter – 25 US Dollar
General Participants without Paper – 1000 INR

#### **Mode of Payment for Registration Fee:**

Google Registration Form will be available after clicking the Registration option on the Flyer. Co-authorship is allowed, but each author shall have to pay the registration fee. The amount for registration fee may be paid either any mode of transfer or by direct deposit form of any ICICI branch in favour of **Principal, Bongaigaon College, Bongaigaon, A/C No. 070801006819, ICICI Bank, Bongaigaon Branch, IFSC Code: ICIC0000708.** The Demand Draft is not applicable for the payment of registration fee. No registration will be entertained after 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2022. However, spot registration will be available for the general participants without paper on each day of the seminar at registration desk on payment of a registration fee of 1000 INR.

#### **Publication/Certificate:**

Papers will be selected through peer reviewing process and will be considered for publications in the Seminar Proceedings/Chapter in Book with ISBN in the form of Edited Book after the seminar which will be published by Delhi based reputed Publishers.

Certificates will be awarded after completion of each academic session for paper presenter.

#### **Submission Guideline:**

Abstract	Full Paper
Title Page: Title, Author/s, Institute, Email ID,	Title Page: Title, Author/s, Institute, Email ID,
Contact No., Keywords	Contact No.
Length: 250 – 300 words	Length: 2500 – 3000 words with Abstract
Line Spacing: 1.5, Font: Times New Roman	Line Spacing: 1.5, Font: Times New Roman
Font Size: Heading 14, Text 12 and Margin 1.5	Font Size: Heading 14, Text 12 and Margin 1.5
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NB: More Speaker/Chairperson will be included in due course of time

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