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on



INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM: RELEVANCE AND CHALLENGES

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INVITATION

The Department of Economics, SDM PG College, Doiwal, Dehradun, takes great pleasure in inviting academicians to the esteemed International Conference, to be held on October 7th and 8th, 2025. The broad theme of the conference is "Indian Knowledge Systems: Relevance & Challenges (IKS)". This theme encompasses the vast body of knowledge, practices, and wisdom developed and preserved in India over millennia, including Mathematics, Science, Technology, Medicine, Philosophy, and the Arts. The Ministry of Education (MOE) is actively promoting this rich heritage to integrate it with the modern knowledge system. As the premier society of economists, we are collaborating with other professionals from humanities and social sciences to promote research and academic engagement on this global issue. We warmly invite distinguished professionals from academic and non-academic institutions to participate.

About Dehradun

Dehradun, the capital of the Indian state of Uttarakhand, is nestled in the Himalayan foothills. The city's core is the six-sided Ghanta Ghar clock tower.

Key attractions include:

- Palton Bazaar: A bustling shopping area to the southwest.
- Religious & Spiritual Sites: The Sikh temple Gurdwara Nanak Sar, the Buddha Temple, and the Mindrolling Monastery, a Tibetan Buddhist center with shrine rooms in its Great Stupa, located in Clement Town.
- Parks & Landmarks: The Forest Research Institute (FRI), Sahastradhara, Guchhupani, Malsi Deer Park, and the Lakshman Siddh Nature Park. Dehradun is well-connected. Jolly Grant Airport is approximately 20 km away, and Haridwar is about 30 km away.

About UNIVERSITY

Sri Dev Suman Uttarakhand University was established as a State University of Uttarakhand under a State Government notification dated October 19, 2012. This was a continuation of the amendment to the former Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Uttarakhand Vishwavidhyalaya Act, 2011, which was originally notified by the State Government on November 4, 2011.

About College

Shaheed Durga Mall Government Post-Graduate College was founded in 2001. As a government institution of higher education, it serves the needs of students in the Garhwal region foothills. It is situated in Lachhiwala, near the Saung River Bridge in Bhaniyawala, approximately 20 km from Dehradun.

Academic Programs:

- Undergraduate: The college began with eight subjects: Hindi, English, Economics, Sociology, Political Science, History, Psychology, and Geography. In 2010, Home Science, Sanskrit, and Drawing were added. Since the 2015-16 session, it has also offered classes in Defence Studies.
- Post-Graduate: Post-graduate classes in the Arts stream (Hindi, English, Political Science, Economics, and Geography) began in the 2011-12 session. Sociology and History post-graduate classes started from the 2015-16 session.
- Open Learning: The college hosts an IGNOU Study Centre and offers courses from Uttarakhand Open University.

Campus & Activities:

The college features a lush green campus with well-furnished labs and a rich library. It actively promotes co-curricular activities through its NCC, NSS, Rover Ranger, Red Cross, Anti-Drug Cell, and a Grievance Cell. The campus also has an Anti-Ragging Cell

Many of our students have successfully qualified for NET, SLET, and JRF examinations.

The Department of Economics was established in 2015-16 as a research and training centre in 2025.

About Indian Economic Association:

The Indian Economic Association (IEA) is the oldest, largest, and only national association of professional economists in India. Established in Calcutta in 1917 by Prof. C.J. Hamilton, the IEA is proud to count Dr Manmohan, Former Prime Minister, Nobel laureate Prof. Amartya Sen, a former President of the International Economic Association, among its distinguished members. Its list of former presidents includes renowned scholars such as V.K.R.V. Rao, C. Rangarajan, and Y.V. Reddy.

The IEA has successfully organized 107 annual conferences, and the 108th conference is scheduled to be held at Vels University in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

Overarching Theme:

Indian Knowledge Systems: Relevance and Challenges About the Conference: Indian Knowledge Systems

The Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) embodies the systematic transmission of knowledge across generations. This structured framework facilitates knowledge transfer, distinguishing it from a mere tradition. Rooted in Vedic literature, the Upanishads, Vedas, and Upvedas, IKS encompasses disciplines—such as Jnan, Vignan, and Jeevan Darshan—that are born from experience, observation, experimentation, and rigorous analysis. This tradition of validation and practical application has profoundly impacted governance, law, justice, education, healthcare, and commerce.

IKS also aims to facilitate cutting-edge research addressing contemporary economic issues in fields like education, agriculture, manufacturing, commerce, trade, health, environment, and sustainable development. By integrating ancient wisdom with modern perspectives, IKS seeks to resolve pressing global problems through the unique lens of IKS.

To promote IKS, various mechanisms will be employed, including citizen science initiatives like the Jan Bhagidari programs. Skill-based programs will create employment opportunities for youth, while IKS will offer a unique perspective on economics, focusing on a holistic approach that integrates ethical, social, and environmental considerations.

1. Foundations of Indian Knowledge Systems: Relevance in the Modern Era

- Philosophical and Spiritual Foundations: Exploring the practical application of Vedanta, Yoga, and Ayurveda for mental, physical, and holistic well-being in a contemporary world.
- Scientific and Mathematical Wisdom: The modern-day application of Vedic Mathematics, ancient astronomy, metallurgy, and material sciences to address contemporary technological challenges.
- Traditional Arts and Aesthetics: The role of classical music, dance, literature, and traditional crafts in preserving cultural identity and fostering creative economies.

2. Indian Knowledge Systems and Economy of Inclusion

- Community-Led Development: Applying IKS principles to build local, self-reliant economies that reduce regional disparities.
- Holistic Growth Models: Integrating the IKS concept of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' (the World is One Family) as a framework for regional and national economic integration.
- IKS-Informed Entrepreneurship: The role of local knowledge and traditional skills in developing micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs).

3. Indian Knowledge Systems and The Challenges of Globalization

- Globalization and Cultural Identity: The challenge of preserving indigenous art, craft, and knowledge in a globally interconnected world.
- Ethics of Technology: Applying IKS principles to the challenges such as data privacy, cybersecurity, and digital regulation.
- **IKS for a Harmonious Global Economy:** Leveraging ancient wisdom on cooperation and ethical conduct to create a more transparent global supply chain.

4. Technology and the Human Element: An IKS Perspective

- Al and IKS: Problems and Prospects Leveraging ancient Indian logic and ethical frameworks to guide the development and application of artificial intelligence, balancing efficiency with human values.
- Human-Centric Technology: Adopting IKS principles to create technologies that promote human well-being while balancing the gig economy with job security.
- The Future of Work: The relevance of ancient Indian concepts of skill and purpose in preparing the workforce for the future of remote work and human-machine collaboration.
- Youth, Innovation, and IKS: The role of Indian knowledge systems in fostering innovation and preparing younger generations for emerging industries.
- 5. IKS and Sustainability: Balancing Growth with Environmental Responsibility
- Ancient Wisdom for a Sustainable Future: The relevance of IKS in developing renewable energy and circular economy models.
- IKS as a Guiding Principle for Himalayan Development: A case study on balancing economic growth with environmental preservation in Uttarakhand, inspired by traditional ecological wisdom.
- Local Solutions for Global Problems: The role of IKS in fostering a sustainable and responsible development model for regions.

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- Line Spacing: 1.5.
- Abstract: A compulsory abstract of approximately 500 words. Papers submitted without an abstract will not be considered for publication.
- File Format: Papers must be submitted in MS-WORD (.doc or .docx) format only. Submissions in PDF or any other format will NOT be considered.
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3.	Research scholars/Students	INR 1000/-	INR 2000/-

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