

# *International Seminar*

Trends in Environmental History in India :  
Theories, Issues and Perspectives

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In collaboration with  
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# THEME

The present seminar is an attempt to address the broad areas of environmental concern in human societies in India and the complex pattern of their mutual understanding. It is inevitably an issue that to a great extent multi and inter disciplinary in nature. Knowing the fact, that in the last few decades, environmental history research had a significant role in the policy making and thus this seminar is intended to locate recent phenomenon in policy framing in India. It also seeks to reconstructs the idea of environment from different literatures and events occurred in Indian sub-Continent, addressing sub-national movements the fundamental question of why we should protect our nature for the mankind may be explore in this seminar. In addition to that, the massive depletion of forests and Ozone layers has already impacted widely on our habitat and how it could be counter will be address in the seminar. The 20th century discourses on environment and the metaphor, the idea of external influences caused environmental movements is also a point that will explore in the seminar.

## SUB THEMES

1. Environmental history as a discipline, scope, limitations, historiography, debate and perspectives.
2. Man animal conflict and environmental issues.
3. Cultural environmentalism: philosophy, rituals and indigenous cosmology, oral and literary imagination
4. Environment and tribal world, indigenous identities, food and fodder, religion, culture, rituals, criminality, witchcraft, hunting, medicine, agricultural practices
5. Climate and pollution, topography, rainfall, soil erosion, flood, and other environmental calamities since early times.
6. Environmental issues in pre colonial period.
7. Ecological imperialism in the colonial period, tribal peasant resistance, ecological warfare.
8. Forest policies, conservation debate, irrigation, dams and environmental movements in colonial and post colonial India.
9. Ethnicity and environmental issues, caste, reservation and environmental politics
10. Environmental policies and politics in India, forests acts, development discourses, displacements, environment and gender
11. Bio-diversity, global warming and ecosystem
12. Eco-feminism

## CALL FOR PAPER

Papers are invited from the college and university teachers, social activists, research scholars and policy makers on the hemes. The abstract of the paper should be sent to the following members.

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## GUIDELINES

### Suggestions for Abstract:

The abstract should not exceed 250 words. It can be either in English or in Bengali. It should include title of the abstract, the author's name, designation, institutional affiliation, mailing address, contact number, E-mail id. Authors are requested to kindly send the abstract through email latest by 10th August, 2018.

**Note: Submission of abstract is necessary for pre-seminar publication of Abstract book.**

### Suggestions for full paper:

The length of full paper including tables, diagrams, illustrations, references, etc should be between to 4000 to 6000 words. The full paper should be either in English or in Bengali. For English, typed in MS-Word in Times New Roman with font size 12 and 1.5 spaced. Notes and references should be arranged as endnote in the Harvard style format. Full version of papers should be submitted in soft copy latest by 16th August 2018. A Committee will review the full papers and information regarding acceptance, modification shall be communicated to the authors subsequently.

**The presented papers in the seminar will be published from a reputed publishing house with ISBN.**



# Registration

College and University teachers, Social activists and others: Rs. 800/-  
Part-time/Guest teachers/Contractual teachers: Rs.500/-  
Research Scholars: Rs.300/-

Registration can be made on spot or can be NEFT to the account number given below. For Bank Draft, please write in favour of Principal, Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya.

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Please note, no TA/DA will be provided to paper presenters.

## Accommodation:

There will be no provision for accommodation of participants. However willing participants can contact the organizers for such arrangements at their own cost only with prior information to the organizers (at least 10 days before seminar).

## Location of the college:

Mugberia Gangadhar Mahavidyalaya is located approx.10 km away from Henria bus stop (Mecheda-Digha road) and Henria Rly Station. It is about 140km from Kolkata and 35 km from Contai town.

## IMPORTANT DATES

LAST DATE OF ABSTRACT SUBMISSION : 10.08.2018

LAST DATE OF FULL PAPER SUBMISSION : 16.08.2018