Seminar on

"Rural Impoverishment and Agrarian strategies" Palli Charcha Kendra (Department of Rural Studies) Date-30/3/2016 and 31/3/2016

Neo-liberal reforms pursued in India have failed to counter the increasing impoverishment various studies, debates and researches converge to confirm the immiserisation and increasing inequality in income distribution. This is more prominent in rural area. Rural Urban divide seems to have become economically irreconcilable. India needs "Innovation" not only in technology but also in perception so that age old neglect towards agriculture and agrarian people is alleviated. We need not only to develop agriculture but also popularise and glamorize agriculture as an attractive as an attractive source of sustenance. We need good agrarian strategies so as to control the perverse dynamics observed in agricultural sector. Strategies should be all encompassing-emphasising on technology, economy, people, culture, market structure, welfare strategies, development management and so on..obviously in the NEO-LIBERAL FRAMEWORK, which perhaps cannot be denied anymore. However, logical denial of any subtheme below also would appreciated.

Broad Themes of the Seminar---

- A) Agricultural technology innovations, Industrialisation and Corporatisation of Agriculture
- B) Agriculture-surplus accumulation and retention, Economic discontents, alleviation strategies, Impoverishment and Rural "Development Management" or Welfare Strategies
- C) FDI and Strategies of adaptation and appropriation, Strategies to balance Farm Sector and Non-Farm Sector growth, Innovations-Limiting forced Rural-Urban Migration D) Cultural and social discontents in Rural Sector and alleviation strategies, Rural Development Policies and innovations, Cooperative movement and Rural Development

Papers deviating from these themes but concerned with Rural Sector - such as Environment/Geography will also be accepted. Last date for submitting abstract--20/3/2016 -- By email as MS-word-attachment

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