



In Commemoration of 127<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of  
Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON 'DR. B.R. AMBEDKAR AND  
SOCIAL ENGINEERING'

13-14<sup>th</sup> April, 2018, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan



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**SC, ST, OBC Employees Welfare Association of Visva-Bharati**

The phrase 'social engineering' refers to planned measures that affect people's social or economic position in order to create an equal, equitable and just society. It is the application of methods regarded as similar to engineering techniques practicality, emphasizing on efficiency and moral neutrality in policies and programs to manage and direct social changes towards solving social problems and improving the condition of society.

Dr. Baba Saheb Bhimrao Ambedkar was one of the great champions of social engineering. He always advocated for a society in India which promotes liberty, equality, fraternity and social justice for all. In his words, equality will be of no value without fraternity or liberty. Social justice is the embodiment of equal opportunities and creation of a just and fair order within society. He drew up and enshrined the fundamentals of social engineering in the Constitution of India for manoeuvring people's attitude and social behaviours towards such a society. An effective social engineering can play a pivotal role in restructuring a social order which suffers from inequality and injustice. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar brought his social engineering into practical action with his effort towards 'annihilation of caste' and mainstreaming of all disadvantaged, excluded and marginalized groups of people in policies and programs. He also supported the idea of inter-dining and inter-marriage among all sections of people in Indian society. According to him, inter-marriage is the only solution to the problem of caste system and "fusion of blood can alone create the feeling of being kith and kin, and unless this feeling of kinship, of being kindred, becomes paramount, the separatist feeling -- the feeling of being aliens -- created by caste will not vanish". He asserted that the caste is a state of mind which needs change. Furthermore, Dr. Ambedkar suggested that the real remedy lies in restructuring of society and destruction of dogmas and superstitions with right knowledge. Therefore, Dr. Ambedkar's idea is quite relevant and necessary for social engineering in modern multicultural, secular and democratic India.

This conference intends to bring together academicians and scholars engaged in various interdisciplinary studies in different parts of India for deliberation on the main theme "**Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Social Engineering**" and the sub-themes given below and contribute a solid academic base to his endeavour for a just and equitable society in India.

**Sub-Themes:**

1. Ambedkar's Contribution to Indian Thought and Culture
2. Ambedkar's Economics
3. Ambedkar's Struggle for Social Inclusion and Social Justice of Marginalized Groups
4. Ambedkar's Idea about Caste and Religion
5. Ambedkar and Women Empowerment
6. Contemporary Dalit Movement in India
7. Agricultural Development and Food Security
8. Social Engineering in Development: Public Policies and Legislations
9. Role of Science and Technology in Social Engineering.

**Call for papers:**

The participants are invited to present their papers on the above-mentioned Theme and Sub-Themes through oral and poster presentation.

Abstracts (within 300 words) and full papers (within 4000-5000 words) may be sent at: [ambedkarconference@gmail.com](mailto:ambedkarconference@gmail.com).

**Deadline for submission of abstracts and full papers**

Abstracts	April 7, 2018
Notification of abstracts' acceptance or rejection or confirmation of participation	April 9, 2018
Full paper	April 13, 2018
Last date of Registration	April 12, 2018

**Guidelines for abstract and full paper submission:**

All abstracts and full papers must be submitted in MS Word format within word limit in Times New Roman font with a 12 font size (normal) for text and 12 font size (bold) for heading in APA 6<sup>th</sup> manual model citations and references. Each abstract/full paper should contain title and author name and his/her designation, affiliation, complete mailing address along with his/her telephone number and email-ID.

**Registration for the Seminar:**

Category	Registration Fees
Professionals/Academicians/Teachers for paper presentation	Rs. 500/-
Research Scholars/ Students for paper presenter/ Participation	Rs. 300/-

**The Registration fee consists of:**

- ) Seminar Kits
- ) Food

**Note:** Participants will have to manage their own accommodation at their own cost.

**Registration Fees:**

The registration fee for the National Seminar may be paid through Demand Draft in favour of SC/ST/OBC Employees Welfare Association of Visva-Bharati payable at Union Bank of India, Bolpur or through money transfer (to be intimated immediately after the transfer of money with receipt through specified e-mail). The last date for the receipt of the registration form along with registration fee is April 10, 2018. The registration will be confirmed on receipt of the registration form with fee.

**Details of the Bank information:**

Bank A/C No A: 393702010222977  
 Bank & Branch: Union Bank of India, Bolpur Branch  
 IFS Code: UBIN0539376  
 MICR Code: 731026001

**Publication Opportunity:**

Only selected papers shall be published in the form of an edited book with ISBN Number.

**How to reach the venue?**

By Train: Howrah/Sealdah to Bolpur-Santiniketan, distance 165 kms, Bolpur-Santiniketan (Venue of the Seminar LIPIKA, Santiniketan is just 2 km away from Bolpur station).  
 By Road: Nearly 180 km from Kolkata.  
 By Air: Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport, Kolkata is the nearest airport.

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