

**NATIONAL SEMINAR**  
**ON**  
**LEARNING TO LIVE IN HARMONY:**  
**ADVANCING TAGORIAN WISDOM IN EDUCATION**

**20-21 March, 2017**



**ORGANIZED UNDER**  
**SPECIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME (SAP) OF UGC**  
**By**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, VINAYA BHAVANA**  
**VISVA-BHARATI, SANTINIKETAN**

*“The highest education is that which does not merely give us information  
but makes our life in harmony with all existence”*

*Rabindranath Tagore*

The existential agony of modern man is well known to all of us. Centre cannot hold and things fall apart. Contradiction, conflict, dissension and discord have taken the centre stage of life while fundamentals like harmony, rhythm, concord, agreement and congruence pushed in to the rear. Contentment and happiness are becoming mere narratives instead of becoming living values.

Education, by and large, has become more of a mechanical process of manufacturing and supplying survival tactics in terms of information than being a fulfilling and joyful experience, spanning over the entire life and its varied relationships, human and cosmic as well.

In view of modern predicament of life and living Tagore appears to be a saviour of mankind. His thought / wisdom and vision of education, demonstrating highest and finest kind of human values with adequate regards for nature need to be learnt and lived, not merely talked of. It is high time we learn the secret from Tagore ‘how to live in harmony with all existence’ that contains the seed of happiness and sustenance for humanity.

The proposed Seminar, under the aegis of SAP, UGC, is a humble attempt of the Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavana to create and provide a platform at Visva-Bharati, the treasure trove of knowledge and culture to the scholars to re-visit Tagore, retrieve, refurbish and re-align **Tagorian Wisdom of Harmonious Living** for the need of the modern man by way of deliberations, debate, discussion, dialogue and discernment of vital and essentials from the trivial and superficial. The Seminar intends to focus and advance the insights and inputs of Tagorian Wisdom in the world of education.

**Theme / Title of the Seminar : Learning To Live in Harmony: Advancing Tagorian Wisdom in Education**

**Sub-Themes:** ( Suggestive only, not exhaustive) :

- Education- Vision, Values and Thought of Tagore
- Tagore on :

Nature: man-nature interfacing	Swadeshi/ Patriotism/ Nationalism
Environment & Sustainability	Globalisation / Internationalism / Universalism
Art & Aesthetics,	Women Empowerment
Music, Dance & Drama	Mutuality & Inclusiveness
Craft & Vocation	Child, Surplus in Man
Freedom, Leisure & Creativity	Religion & Spiritualism
Curriculum & Pedagogy / Method of Teaching	Society & Culture
Self Discipline	Inclusion & Mutuality
Language & Literature	Cooperative
Science & Technology	Games & Sports
Festivals / Celebrations	Rural Reconstruction
Travelling	Rural Library
Lok Siksha Samsad	
- Visva-Bharati / Santiniketan & Sriniketan Experiments – Best Practices  
Poet’s School , ( Patha Bhavana , Siksha Satra )

• **Important Information & Dates**

- Submission of Abstract (Maximum 150 Words, Times New Roman, Font Size- 12 ) - **17<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

• **Registration**

Interested participants are requested to register them by sending **duly filled-in Registration Form** to **sapseminar2017doevb@gmail.com** / the Organising Secretary, National Seminar & Coordinator, SAP, Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavana **by 18.03.2017**. On receipt of the filled-in registration form the participants will receive a **REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION** message.

**Registration Form :** downloadable from the website Visva-Bharati- <http://www.visva-bharati.ac.in>

**Registration Fees :**

- i. Faculty Members / Teachers of University Departments ,  
Colleges-General & Teacher Education - **Rs.1000/-**
- ii. Research Scholars - **Rs. 700/-**

*(Research Scholars are required to submit necessary documents duly issued by the Competent Authority/ Head of the Department/Principal of the Institution/ College)*

Confirmed Registered Participants are directed to deposit their Registration Fees on the Registration Desk only at Seminar Venue on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

• **Accommodation-**

Month of March being full of activities in Visva-Bharati, Guest Houses remain usually occupied. However, guests, on payment and request to the accommodation committee, will be assisted for accommodation on first come first serve basis , either in University Guest House (if available) or adjoining / neighbouring hotels.

• **Weather at Santiniketan**

During the month of March the Weather at Santiniketan is quite pleasant with temperature variation between 30°C (high) and 18°C (low).

• **How to Reach**

Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan , located in Birbhum district of West Bengal State of India, about 165 km from Kolkata ( erstwhile Calcutta) , the city of joy , is well connected with major cities of the country and can be easily reached by railways / road . The local Railway Station to get down is Bolpur-Shantiniketan, just two kilometres away from the conference Venue. The nearest Airports are Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport, Kolkata (20 K.M. from Howrah Rly. Station/ 158 K.M. from Santiniketan ) and well connected by regular public transport services. There are two other railway stations in the city of Kolkata i.e. Sealdah and Kolkata from where trains are available to Bolpur-Shantiniketan. Delegates coming from northern India by train may get down either at Durgapur or Burdwan to avail road transport / catch the connecting trains to Bolpur-Shantiniketan instead of going Howrah and coming back .

• **Communication/ Correspondence**

All communication /correspondence be made to:

The Organising Secretary, National Seminar & Coordinator, SAP, Department of Education,  
Vinaya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan-731235  
E mail: [sapseminar2017doevb@gmail.com](mailto:sapseminar2017doevb@gmail.com)  
Mob. **09474409761 / 9933389067**

- **Advisory Committee**

**Patron**

Prof.Swapan Kumar Dutta , Vice-Chancellor , Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

**Chairperson**

Professor Sabujkoli Sen , Director, Studies, Educational Innovations and Rural Reconstruction (SEIRR)  
& Principal , Vinaya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

**Members**

Prof. B.D.Chinara, Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

Prof. R.Roy, Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

Dr. Jayanta Bhattacharya, Principal, Siksha Satra, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

Ms. Bodhirupa Sinha, Principal, Patha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

**Organizing Committee**

**Organizing Secretary**

Prof.K.C.Sahoo (9474409761)

Coordinator, SAP, Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavana,  
Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

**Convener**

Dr. Asheesh Srivastava (9933604836)

Dy. Coordinator, SAP, Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

**Treasurer**

Dr. Shyam Sundar Bairagya (9475271364)

Member, Advisory Committee, SAP, Department of Education, Vinaya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati,  
Santiniketan

- **Inaugural & Valedictory Sessions**

Dr. Trishna Banerjee( 9933088142) -Coordinator

Dr. Partha Pratim Sikdar, Dr.Sanjib Mandal, Sri A.G.Pal, Ms. Julie Chhetri, Ms. Madhuri Chatterjee,  
Ms. Farah Hasan, Saikat Karmakar & Music Team of the Department of education, Vinaya Bhavana

- **Publication of Souvenir/ Abstract / Proceedings**

Dr. M.S.Siddiqui ( 7602304728) : Coordinator

Dr. Sarita Anand, Dr. S. S. Biswal , Dr. Subhankar Ghosh

- **Registration Desk & Certificates**

Dr. Chitralkha Maiti ( 9748347917) -Coordinator

Dr. Subhankar Ghosh, Dr. Rudra Prasad Sinha, Biswajit Nath, Tahajul Mandal, Ms. Madhumita Khan

- **Technical Sessions**

Dr. Prosenjit Saha : Coordinator

Dr. Sharmila Yadav, Dr. Shilpi Ghosh , Prasanta Saha, Prabhat Kumar, Ms. Paromita Das Liton Mallik, Suip Dasgupta, Bijaya Kumar Das

- **Reception of Delegates, Accommodation & Transport**

Dr. Gautam Saha(9474612323) : Coordinator

Dr. Kalpataru Mandal, Indrajit Nath, Sapan Kumar Saha

### **Cultural Evening**

Ms. Soumi Mandal (8377969493)-Coordinator

Dr. Chitralkha Maiti, , Ms. Nandini Rooj,

### **Media/ Video/Still Photography**

Mr. Umakanta Prasad (7063261144)-Coordinator

Milan Ghosh , Ritendra Roy

### **Food & Snacks**

Dr. S.K.Rath (9232487866) - Coordinator

Dr. P.Roy, Sri Prabir Laha , Sri Keshab Ch. Sinha, Sri Biswajit Kalsi,Sri Sukanta Dan, Sk. Kalu, Sri Shyam Sundar Das, Tahajul Mandal

**NATIONAL SEMINAR**

20<sup>TH</sup> & 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2017

ON

**LEARNING TO LIVE IN HARMONY: ADVANCING TAGORIAN WISDOM IN EDUCATION**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**PERSONAL DETAILS**

Name ( in Block Letters) :

.....

Designation : .....

Gender : Male / Female ; Date of Birth: ...../...../.....

Organization/ Institution /Affiliation: .....

.....

Accommodation Required : Yes / No;

No. of Accompanying Person/s \* (If any): .....

*\*will also be required to pay the expenses incurred towards accommodation & food*

Type of Accommodation : Hostel / Dormitory/Guest House / Hotel (Independent Single Room/ Shared Double –AC/Non-AC)

Date & Time of Arrival at Santiniketan :...../...../..... Coming From:.....

Date & Time of Departure from Santiniketan :...../...../..... Going To: .....

Food Preference : Vegetarian / Non-Vegetarian

Are you presenting a Paper? : Yes / No.

If Yes, Mode of Presentation : Dialogue/ Oral / Poster/ Any Other

Title of the Paper: .....

Sub-Theme/ Area covered:.....

**CONTACT DETAILS:**

.....

.....

City:.....State:.....Country.....

PIN No.

--	--	--	--	--	--

Contact Nos. : Cell: ..... Office: .....Residence: .....

Email ID . : .....

**PAYMENT DETAILS : To be paid at the Registration Desk on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

Amount to be paid : in INR .....

Place: .....

Date: ...../...../.....

.....

Signature