

13-14th April 2025, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan (Hybrid mode)

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Department of Marathi, Bhasha-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, & SC, ST, OBC Employees Welfare Association of Visva-Bharati

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was one of the principal thinkers of modern and progressive India. His philosophy was primarily centred-around freedom, equality, justice and human rights. He conceptualized about modern age where rationality will prevail over myths and superstitions. He studied various customs and traditions and voraciously advocated for universalism and constitutionalism. One of the significant milestones in his political journey was founding of the constitutional democracy. He opined that law is the only tool through which every citizen of India can be united and gets equal opportunity in nation building. He further stated that the state is in dire need of renouncing orthodox mentality in order to usher in transformation. For it, Ambedkar supported social freedom so that age-old shackles of Brahmanism could be broken. In his view, the categorical differences in social institutions undermined the equality and the fraternity. It brought various closed groups in the society which expanded the divide between the marginalized sections and the mainstream people. Dr. Ambedkar wanted to unshackle ties of economic exploitation as the foundation for democracy in India. He thought that annihilation of caste is impossible in the absence of freedom and equality. The social divide is rampant because of lack of fraternity among various communities. It was one of the reasons why Ambedkar always supported universal brotherhood and renouncing of individual liberalism. He strongly propagated for social justice as essential features of strong and vibrant nation. He cautioned against democracy sans equal society as it may derail the entire constitutional framework. In his book titled "Annihilation of Caste", he expressed that the Caste has killed the public spirit. Therefore, Dr. Ambedkar got inclined towards Buddhism and considered Dhamma as universal code of social ethics.

His vision of vibrant nation was premised on liberty, equality and fraternity. He wanted the nation free from socio-economic shackles and stride on the path of rationality. He also believed that the Dalits are economically and socially so marginalized that even political freedom may not unshackle them. He wanted to build India as nation having equal opportunities for all sections of the society encompassing democracy based on universalism and rule of law. In his notable works "Riddles of Hinduism", Dr. Ambedkar reflects on profound role of women in dismantling hierarchical structure in society. He offered incisive critiques of practices such as polygamy and concubinage, shedding light on the challenges faced by women within various cultural and religious contexts. The vision of developed India can be achieved through incorporating his transformational ideas for vibrant and progressive society free from all kinds of discrimination and destitution.

Dr. Ambedkar in his writings expressed his vision about the country's economic development, economic planning, including agricultural development, water resource development, the labour problem and alternative economic systems. The establishment of Reserve Bank of India, India's Water Policy, Indian Labour Laws, the Fundamental Rights enshrined in the Indian Constitution confirms the vision of Dr. B R Ambedkar about what he thought about India as a Developed Nation.

This Conference invites academicians, scholars and practitioners from different parts of India and abroad for deliberation and research paper presentation on the main theme "DR. B.R. Ambedkar's Vision for Developed India" and Sub-themes mentioned below:

SUB-THEMES:

- Socio-Economic and Political Context of Ambedkarism.
- 2. Economic Inequality in India: Causes and Remedies.
- 3. Bridging the Socio-Economic Gap between the Affluent and the Marginalized.
- 4. Contribution of Marginalized Groups to Economic Growth of India.
- 5. Social Engineering through Annihilation of Caste.
- 6. Corruption-free Society: A Prerequisite for a Developed Nation.
- 7. Constitutional Provisions for Reservation in Posts and Services: Perspective and Relevance.
- 8. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's contribution for Gender Equality and Social Justice.
- 9. Any other related topic.

CALL FOR PAPER:

The participants are invited to present their research papers on the above-mentioned main theme and sub-themes through oral presentation at hybrid platform.

Abstracts (within 350 words) and full papers(within 5000-6000 words) may be sent to: ambedkarconference@gmail.com

Deadline for Submission of Abstracts and Full Papers:

Abstract Submission	March 31, 2025
Notification of abstract's acceptance or rejection	April 03, 2025
Full Paper Submission	April 09, 2025
Last date of Registration	April 09, 2025

GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT AND FULL RESEARCH PAPER SUBMISSION:

All abstracts and full research 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 7th manual citations and references. Each abstract/full research paper should contain title, author name and his/her designation, affiliation, complete mailing address along with his/her telephone number and email-ID.

REGISTRATION FOR THE CONFERENCE:

Category	Registration Fees
Professional/Academician/Teacher for research paper presentation/participation	Rs. 2000/-
Research Scholar for research paper presentation/ participation	Rs. 1000/-

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(Note: The online session will be coordinated through Zoom digital Platform.)

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The registration fee for the International Conference may be paid through online money transfer in favour of SC/ST/OBC Employees Welfare Association of Visva-Bharatipayable at Union Bank of India, Bolpur (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 09, 2025. The registration will be confirmed on receipt of the registration form with fee.

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Only quality research papers shall be published in the form of a peer-reviewed journal or an edited book with ISBN Number.

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