International Conference on Environment, Sustainability, and Indigenous Knowledge Systems (ICESIKS)

(16 - 17 December, 2025)

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Silver Jubilee Celebrations

at
Visva-Bharati
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"Visva-Bharati represents India where she has her wealth of mind which is for all. Visva-Bharati acknowledges India's obligation to offer to others the hospitality of her best culture and India's right to accept from others their best." — Rabindranath Tagore

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Department of Environmental Studies (DES) Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, West Bengal, India

A two-days international conference will be organized by the Department of Environmental Studies, Siksha-Bhavana (Institute of Science). Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan on the topic "International Conference on Environment. Sustainability, and Indigenous Knowledge Systems (ICESIKS)" during 16-17 December 2025. Distinguished professors / researchers from various fields of science, technology and social sciences will be sharing their knowledge and research in this conference. The aim of the conference is to gather information on recent research and developments in emerging environmental issues and Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS), sustainability, the cutting-edge areas of research which will provide novel information to students, research scholars and faculty members of institutes, colleges and universities. On behalf of the Organizing Committee, it gives us immense pleasure to invite you to participate and present your research papers in this conference.

Call for Abstracts & Full Paper:

Participants interested in presenting their papers in the conference are requested to submit their abstracts (within 300 words, 12 times new roman font size, reference will be Harvard style) with 4-5 keywords to the Email: hoddesvb@gmail.com on or before 30th November, 2025. Authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to present an oral / poster presentation. The selected full papers will be published in the form of an ISBN Book or Conference Proceeding by a reputed publisher.

Themes of the Conference:

- Indigenous Knowledge and Environmental Stewardship
- Climate Change, Resilience, and Adaptation
- Pollution, Waste Management, and Environmental Abatement
- Sustainable Agriculture, Agroecology, and Food Systems
- Biodiversity, Conservation, and Ecosystem Services
- Problems of Water Resources & their Management
- Energy, Technology, & Low-Carbon Innovations
- Governance, Law, and Policy
- Health, Well-being, and Traditional Medicine
- Knowledge Systems, Education, and Research Methods
- Economics, Livelihoods, and Sustainable Development

Department of Environmental Studies (DES), Visva-Bharati:

Visva-Bharati, founded by Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore, is an institute of national importance and has attained the status of a Central University in 1951. The Department of Environmental Studies was established in 1999 with new dimensions in the various fields of environment with an interdisciplinary approach. The Department introduced M.Sc. and Ph.D courses in Environmental Sciences from 2003. The department offers quality research in different fields of environment and continuously contributes to excellence in education and research.

Registration:

The faculty/research scholars / post-graduate students interested to participate/present a paper in the conference (Physical mode) are requested to fill up the registration form online at the link: https://forms.gle/keRE67GVaZgZEaW66 The last date of registration is 15th December 2025.

Registration fee:

Faculties and Scientists: Rs. 3500/-Research Scholars: Rs. 2500/-

Students: Rs. 1500/- Without programme kit
* Foreign Participants: INR 6000/- or USD 70.00

Payment mode: Cash/Online

Bank Name: HDFC Bank Ltd, Bolpur

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Registration fees include programme kit, breakfast, lunch, dinner during workshop, tea/coffee during session break and local

transport.

Travel and accommodation:

Participants are requested to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements. However, for arranging accommodation in the university Guesthouses and nearby hotels, participants are requested to write to the Organizing Secretary well in advance.

Keynote Speakers:

Prof. Biswapati Mandal, Former Pro-VC, BCKV, Nadia

Prof. Dhyan Chandra, Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Centre, Buffalo, NY, USA. Dr. Saibal Moitra, Apollo Hospital, Kolkata. Prof. Subramanian A. University of Glasgow, UK. Prof. Soumya Niyogi, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK, Canada.

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Important Dates:

Last date of abstract submission: 30th November 2025

Full Paper Submission: 10th December, 2025 Last date of registration: 15th December, 2025 Conference dates: 16-17th December, 2025

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