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TWO DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE

ON

DYNAMICS OF POVERTY, INEQUALITY AND EXCLUSION IN URBAN INDIA: DEBATES AND DISCUSSIONS

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Venue:

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BACKGROUND OF THE CONFERENCE:

The cities in India are projecting immense development with sky scrapers, fancy flyovers, massive shopping malls and multiplexes. However, what are co-existing are problem of poverty, inequality of income, exclusion, lack of basic infrastructural facilities etc., in urban areas. In India, most studies on poverty, exclusion, inequality have been centered on the rural areas and urban areas have received little attention of the policy makers and academicians. Though, both rural and urban areas struggle with the developmental problems the picture of urban poverty and exclusion is unique. Besides that, the urban problems have become major social problem all over the globe including India in the present era of globalization, resulting in unequal economic growth. Studies reveal that, despite various policies and programmes since independence, including recent policies like decentralization and giving more powers to urban local government bodies (ULBs) and launching of the JNNURM in 2005, SJSRY, RAY, the situation of urban poor is still not improved up to a satisfactory level due to numerous reasons. With the more rapid growth of the Indian economy in recent years, which is expected to continue, the rate of urbanization will increase and at the same time urban problems too. In this context the need of the hour is to discuss the urban problems in-depth and give suitable and divergent policy measures to bring urban poor and excluded sections into mainstream development. Besides this now the mega mission to make 100 big cities as 'smart cities' has been launched. Apart from this disparities within the cities weakened the political legitimacy and undermined the development gains. Inequalities within cities have the potential to turn into social protests and generate social instability. It is, therefore, at this level that social justice and equity issues need to be addressed in order to create a fair and just social order that will bring harmony in economic and societal relations.

Against this background the core rationale of the proposed conference is an attempt to have solid discourse on various problems being faced by the urban excluded sections and also to suggest suitable policy measures to be implemented soon. This conference will provide a common platform for current discussion, sharing ideas, exploring reasons for inequality, social exclusion, financial exclusion, poverty, lack of basic infrastructural facilities etc. The deliberations would also reflect the empirical assessment of the implications of liberalization, privatization, globalization and other relevant changes on urban poor in India. Besides this an in-depth discussion will be made on how the process of urbanization in India can be made sustainable so as to provide basic amenities to all its citizens, create jobs and alleviate poverty, and lead to healthy and inclusive cities, which also contribute to the prosperity of rural areas. The conference aims to reflect on some of the pressing issues like, rising inequality in urban India; reasons for increasing urban poverty, reasons and suggestions to social exclusion in urban areas, nature and pace of migration to urban centres; displacement of slum-dwellers and other linked issues with regard to urban poverty and development.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE:

1. To explicate and discuss the problems of urban poverty, inequality and exclusion;
2. To probe into the issues contributing towards increasing urban poverty and inequality and exclusion;
3. To develop new concepts, insights, knowledge in attaining inclusive urban development in the wake of globalization and privatization in India;
4. To advocate suitable policy suggestions for the speedy of Urban Inclusion

SUB THEMES

- Exclusion, Poverty and Inequality in Urban India
- Planning, Policies and financing and urban development
- Urban governance, Migration, population growth, housing and Slum-dwellers
- Sustaining Future Cities: Mega Cities, 'Smart Cities' and Industrial Townships
- Law, Urban Poor and Social Exclusion
- Regional Disparities, socio-cultural transformation and Urbanization
- Public-private partnership, Civil Society and urban problems
- Education, Slum Education, Infrastructure and urban development
- National and International Experiences of Urbanisation and Lessons for India
- Economic and Demographic Change, Labour Markets and Employment
- Rural–Urban Linkages and Small and Medium Towns
- Urban Housing and Exclusion
- NGOs, CSR and Urban development
- **Any other topic strictly relevant to the theme of the Seminar.**

CALL FOR PAPERS:

Abstracts (500 words) and Full Papers (Less than 12 Pages or 3500 Words) can be submitted through Email in Word format to both **icssr2017@gmail.com** and **ptdinesha@yahoo.com**. Submission of full paper is compulsory. The research papers shall be preferably in the standard research format, abstract, spelling out the need for study, hypothesis if any, methodology, techniques of data analysis, findings/ results, conclusion, references and statistical tables, in that order. Expert committee will short list the selected papers.

PUBLICATION:

Selected full papers will be double blind refereed by the peer experts for their selection for publication in the edited volume (with ISBN) and same will be released on the day of the conference.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Last Date for Submission of Abstract	: 10.12.2016
Acceptance to Be Communicated	: 12.12.2016
Submission of Full Paper	: 18.12.2016

REGISTRATION FEE:

Paper Presenters : Rs. 300/-
Faculty and Others : Rs. 250/-
Research Scholars/Students : Rs. 150/-

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

Outstation paper presenters (*actual paper presenter*) will be reimbursed II Class Sleeper (Train) fare from the shortest route and free lodging facilities will be provided in the university guesthouse on twin share basis subject to the availability.

ABOUT UNIVERSITY OF MYSORE

The University of Mysore (Accreted with A++) spread around 750 acre's is among the leading institutions of its type, and is a long-term symbol in the focus on excellence in higher education in India. It was founded by the then Maharaja of Mysore, on July 27, 1916. The University now encompasses 122 affiliated colleges and 5 Constituent Colleges, 37 post graduate departments, 8 specialized research & training centers and 2 post graduate centers that together offer about 55 regular academic programmes with an aggregate of more than 56,000 students.

ABOUT CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL EXCLUSION AND INCLUSIVE POLICY (CSSEIP)

The Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP) is a University Grants Commission (UGC) sponsored research centre functioning in University of Mysore (Karnataka) to conduct research on the issue of social exclusion, which has hypothetical as well as policy importance. The CSSEIP focuses mainly on issues related to social exclusion and inclusion related to Dalits, Tribals, OBC's and religious minorities etc.

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