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RUSA 2.0 Component 8 Sponsored Two-Day International Seminar

on

Issues of Development with Special Reference to Gender, Caste & Religion

17th & 18th Dec, 2019

:: Organized by ::

**Departments of Humanities** 

Venue :: Vivekananda Hall

# INVITATION =

Dear Sir/Madam

Departments of Humanities are going to organize Two-Day International Seminar on "Issues of Development with Special Reference to Gender, Caste & Religion" on 17th & 18th December, 2019. Two-Day International Seminar is being sponsored by RUSA 2.0 component 8. Development generally denotes some sort of advancement in the positive direction. Therefore, the overall goal of development is to increase the economic, civil and political rights of all people across countries, regions, religions, genders, races, etc. Since the second half of the last century the process of development began to be re-explored. Its discourse has been genuinely reoriented in the light of multi-faceted circumstances borne out of process and polices undertaken all over the world. Our College ventures to arrange an academic endeavour to discuss all the related thinking in this forthcoming International Seminar. We look forward to your participation in the Seminar and solicit your cordial cooperation to make it purposeful.

With warm regards.

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The age of development began on 20th January, 1949 when President Harry. S. Truman for the first time declared the southern hemisphere as 'underdeveloped areas'. The very day, President, Harry S. Truman took office; a new era was opened for the world which is called as" the era of development". The four decades starting from 1950s to 1990s can be called the 'age of development'. Since then the term 'development' has been the fundamental frame of reference for the development of all nations in their journey through post war history. Though in the end of 1960s, and in the early part of 1970s, this term 'development' had spent much of its force but during later phase of 1970s its inadequacies had become quite clear.

The sustainable Development Goals emphasize equality of opportunity and reducing inequality of outcomes, the elimination of discrimination in law, policy and social practices and socio-economic inclusion of all under the banner goal 'to leave nobody behind'. 'All' here means, "irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status".

The intersecting nature of identities (caste, class, gender, religion) has given poverty in India a distinctive social face. Gender is an important aspect of social and economic stratification. Regardless of one's socio-economic class there are distinctively gender differences in material well-being. There is growing evidence of the synergies between gender equality on the one hand and, economic, social and environmental sustainability on the other. Achieving gender equality and realizing the human rights, dignity and capabilities of diverse groups of women is the central requirement of sustainable development.

This intersecting character has given different dimensions of caste when it is studied from relevant perspectives. Thus the role of caste cannot be examined independently. Though caste has been defined as a hallmark of traditionality and backwardness earlier but the contemporary research studies is emphasizing its secular and democratic values in its transformed role of 'politicization of caste'.

The relationship of religion and development being polar opposite was challenged in Max Weber's comparative religion studies. Religion in and by itself is neutral, so malleable it is to interpretation by people and their institution at different points of time, that it can be defined as promoting economic enterprise at one time and at another it's pursuit may be situated and antithetical to economy. From the mid 1990s development organizations are increasingly aware of the important role of religion (as part of the culture) for enhancing economic development. Religion as a source of values, studies the relationship between values, economic institutions and economic performance.

### ABOUT THE INSTITUTION

Midnapore College (Autonomous) is situated in the heart of the historic town of Midnapore. The College established in 1873 has already completed 147 years of its glorious existence. It is presently affiliated to the Vidyasagar University, Paschim Medinipur. The College is teaching 14 Post Graduate Courses, 22 Honours Courses and 02 General Courses. The College was accredited with 'A+' Grade in 2004, and then re-accredited in grade 'A' with 3.58 in a 4 point CGPA score in 2012 and again re-accredited in grade 'A+' with 3.60 in a 4 point CGPA score in 2017 by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). The Autonomous Status was received by the College in 2014 and Special Heritage Status in 2015.



## 'Issues of Development with Special Reference to Gender, Caste & Religion'

#### Sub themes :

- Development: Historical Evolution of the conceptual and procedural dimensions
- 2. Political Economy of Development
- 3. Gender Justice: Movements and Institutional mechanisms
- Challenging the Power Structure: Upsurge and assertion of disadvantaged groups
- Politics of Inclusion and Exclusion
- 6. Role of Mass Media in the process of transformation
- Education and emancipation
- 8. Changing Paradigm of development issue: From Ethnocentric to Ecocentric approach
- 9. Governance Discourage: Network of Government and Non-Government entities



Abstracts (in English) on the theme of the Seminar are invited for presentation. Abstracts within 250 words and the full paper with endnotes in Chicago Manual of Style within 3000 words should be prepared using MS Word (Times New Roman) and in 1.5 spacing. Title and Author/s name/s should be in bold letters, Presenter's name to be underlined and with full address, Phone No. & E-mail ID. Abstracts and full paper should be sent as per above guideline via e-mail (annapurna.matilal@gmail.com & aparnita.bhattacharjee@midnaporecollege.ac.in) to the Programme Co-ordinators latest by 5th December, 2019. The Abstract and full paper of registered candidates will only be entertained for paper presentation.