

# **National Seminar**

## **On**

### **Gender, Society, and Development: The Contemporary Issues**

#### **ABOUT UNIVERSITY**

Gangadhar Meher University (GMU), Sambalpur came into existence on the 30th of May 2015 as a unitary institution of higher learning [The Government of Odisha Order No.11598/HE Dated 30.05.2015]. That was a momentous event for the people and student community of the Western Odisha for the fulfillment of their long-cherished dream and aspirations. The University provides teaching and research facilities for running Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Research programs smoothly on various subjects. This University is serving to the needs of around 5500 students at present and rendering services to the society at large.

#### **ABOUT THE SEMINAR**

The proposed seminar seeks to understand Gender related positions in polity, economy, culture, education, religion in contemporary social reality and ascertain their degree of progress in relation to the past. In other words, it represents an initiative to understand women's level of empowerment especially in the context of mounting odds such as patriarchy, subjection of women, violence against women, harassment, gender disparities in education, employment and the like. The fight of gender-oriented movements in India and abroad to grapple with the issues of LGBT, property rights etc is no more surprising.

Empowerment continues to be the buzzword in the discourse on gender. Volumes are being written on the success of the pursuit of strategies such as WID, WAD, GAD including GDI, GEM, gender mainstreaming and gender budgeting aimed at women's development. But the moot question remains, have these strategies really succeeded in enabling women in breaking the barriers, rising above the glass ceiling and demolishing tokenism? In other words, have our approaches been effective in turning principles to practice and ending disparities of all sorts in the domain of gender?

The national seminar on "*Gender, Society and Development: The Contemporary Issues*" wishes to situate the issues cited above, problematize and examine women's progress in 21<sup>st</sup> century. It offers a thought-provoking viewpoint on trade-offs between developmental and emancipatory aims, feminist viewpoints and mainstreaming, and bottom-up vs top-down approaches. The seminar will explore gender and policy developments, regional and country comparisons, social and political rights (including health, education, nutrition, labor and civil society engagement (grass roots organising, feminist activism, and NGOs).

#### **PARTICIPANT'S PROFILE**

Academicians, Professionals, research scholars, entrepreneurs, P.G students and professionals from the public and private Organizations.

#### **SEMINAR THEMES**

The seminar revolves around the following sub themes and any other related topics.

- Gender Equality
- Women and education
- Women and Economic empowerment
- Violence against women
- Women and social media
- Women and religion

- Women, mass media & technology
- Health and reproductive right
- Women and politics
- LGBT right and sexual diversity
- Women engagement in peace, security and recovery
- Women and human right
- Women and justice issues
- Feminism in global landscape
- Men's studies
- International trafficking
- Gender and social inclusion

**SUBMISSION OF FULL PAPER:**

Paper presenters are requested to submit the abstract by 17/12/2022 and full papers by 31/12/2022. The selected papers will be published in a book with ISBN no.

**REGISTRATION:**

The paper presenters are required to register themselves for the seminar with a fee of Rs 500/.

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## Gender, Society, and Development : The Contemporary Issues

**Date & Time** - 19th December 2022, 10.00 AM

**Venue** - L.G-I (Blended Mode)

### Keynote Speaker



**Prof. Bikram Keshari Mishra,**  
Professor & Head, Department of Sociology,  
Ravenshaw University, Cuttack

### Inaugural Speaker



**Dr. Bimal Chandra Nanda**  
Deputy Director  
IGNOU Regional Centre, Bhubaneswar

### Chief Speaker



**Prof. G. Nagaraju,**  
Department of Sociology,  
School of Social Sciences, Central University of Hyderabad

### Special Speaker



**Dr. Amrita Sastry**  
Assistant Professor ,  
Department of Sociology  
Jesus and Mary College, Chanakyapuri ,  
University of Delhi

### Special Speaker



**Dr Aliva Mohanty**  
Associate Professor,  
Department of Gender Studies,  
RamaDevi Women's University, Bhubaneswar

### Special Speaker



**Dr Pravati Dalua**  
Associate Professor  
Department of Sociology, Kamala Nehru College  
University of Delhi

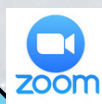
### Organized By :

School of Sociology  
Gangadhar Meher University

**Convener:** Dr. Meera Swain, Associate Professor & HOD I/C, Sociology

**Co - Convener:** Dr. Anjali Kashyap Assistant Professor, Sociology

**Patrons:** Prof. Susanta Kumar Das, Chairman, P.G. Council  
Smt. Jugaleswari Dash, Registrar  
Dr. Uma Charan Pati, Deputy Registrar



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