

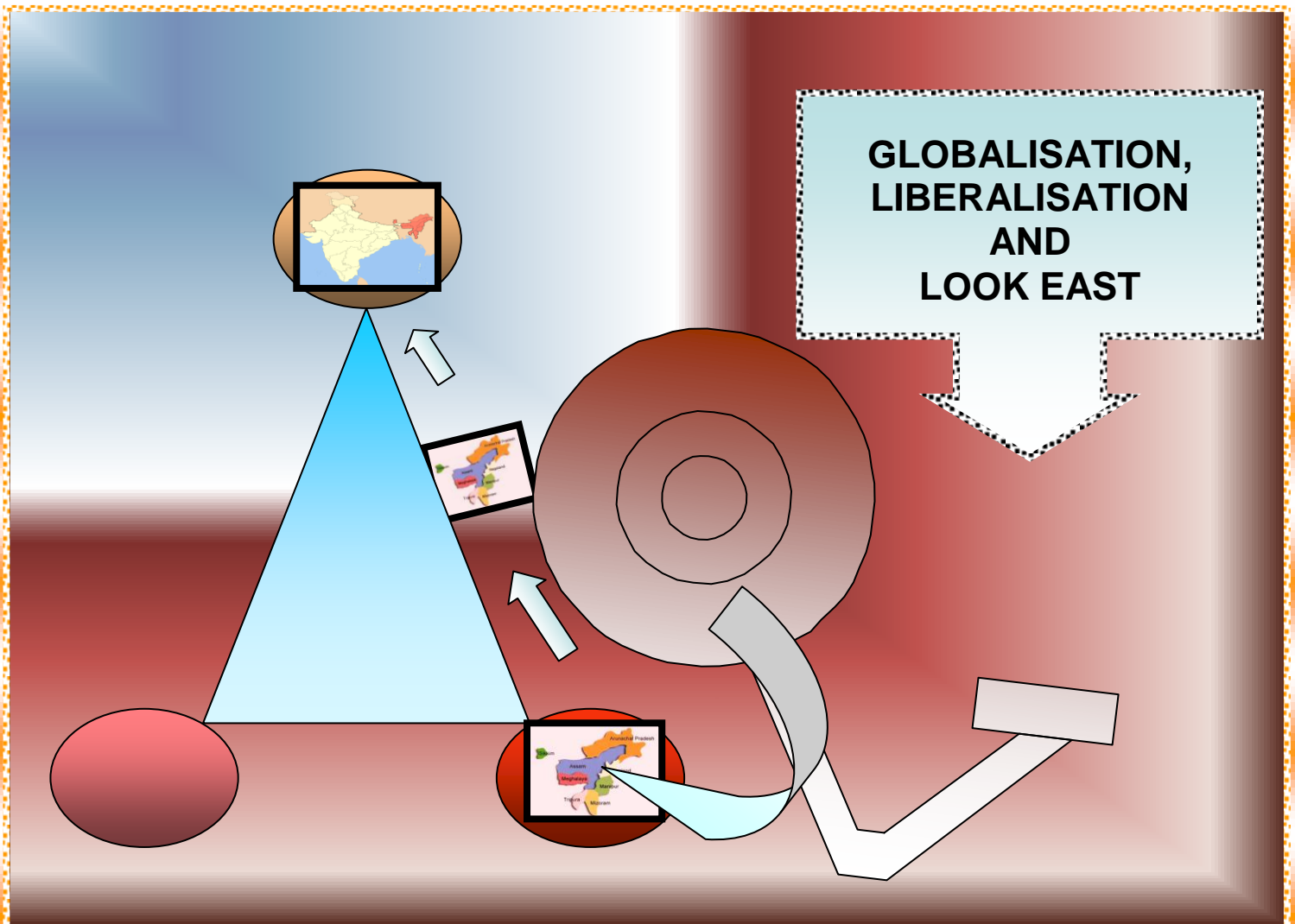
ICSSR SPONSORED NATIONAL SEMINAR



ON



POLICY ISSUES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO
NORTH EAST INDIA



16-17TH MARCH, 2018

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HOW TO REACH

In order to reach the college from Agartala, a journey of approximately three hours is necessary from Radhanagar. Small vehicles are plying between Agartala and Kamalpur and the college is situated at the roadside. An alternative is also there. Those who are desirous of journey by train, are to reach either Agartala or Jogendranagar station and board Dharmanagar bound train in order to reach Ambassa railway station. From there one can easily reach the college by bus, jeep etc. and the journey will take approximately one and half hour. Those coming from Guwahati by train are to get down at Ambassa rail station and avail of small vehicles. The provision is there for journey by air and for that one has to reach Agartala and then to avail road journey.

HOSPITABILITY

Local hospitality will be provided to the participants. Hope you will appreciate our efforts. For any query in this regard, Sri Jitesh Chandra Saha, the convener, may be contacted.

WEATHER

During March, the weather is rather pleasant, neither too hot nor cold. However, light woollen garments may be brought in case of vagaries of weather.

PREFACE

Development of a region may not be an abrupt process, it hinges upon some systematic programme for advancement through coordination among region of origin, its inter and intra-regional dimensions. All these encircle ambit of policy making which undoubtedly makes the best selection out of available paths to achieve potential goal. Over time circumstances and environment determining perspectives and policies are continuously varying in this dynamic world. New policies are emerged and the best policy is the one that embodies requisite arrangement of rehabilitation for the minimum adverse affects in terms of displacement as it may be hard practically to frame, select and implement purely benevolent ones without any deleterious impact. North East India is presently at crossing from where there will be need to ponder over development policy the region as a whole would be pursuing to the extent of divergence from earlier ones in response to opening towards East Asia by constructing infrastructural connectivity energised by globalisation, liberalisation (GAL) and its child Look East policy (LEP). From this perspective it would not be more to say that it is confirmed, contributions of resource persons, paper presenters and guests will lead us to a viable direction and assist in policy evaluation for development policy makers to perceive this region in India and World perspective.

True internalisation of GAL and LEP (GALEP) would flow through every hook and nook of an economic region. Similar to other economy of the world, size of economy would be no bar as market size would be enlarged relative to national boundary but its successful implementation and working would to a great extent depend upon degree of homogeneity of population mass constituting the region. Among large countries, only United States is a rich country while by contrast, many of the richest countries in the world are small [Alesina, Alberto (2003): "The size of countries: Does it matter?" *Journal of the European*

Economic Association 1, no. 2-3: pp. 301-316]. From this perspective, culture and ethnicity strictly bonded to concerned region would be found deeply enrooted in determining wilful adaptation of regional expansion in harmony with others formal and informal ethics. If GALEP can construct that harmony bridge, then without possibility of cultural conflict and missing from competition, development may get acceleration gear otherwise consequent regional instability may instigate further fuel to already conflict prone NE regions, thereby adversely affecting the connecting role of this region and market environment may become further warm alongwith global warming to ebb out cool breeze of GALEP. For progress with sustainability, policy framing of this region requires conflictless adaptability to ongoing changes, where not possible reshaping GALEP as per regional requirement as well as applying both in some cases not at the expense of cultural and ethnic wash out. Present policy of immigration and emigration needs to be absolutely focussed upon this aspect for not having any further stability threat on the achieved standard of cultural equilibrium. On aggregate, economic development policy for NER is gradually shifting from security focus as AFSPA is already repealed in Tripura to formal trade led advancement under GALEP, particularly external and border trade with China, Bangladesh (Border Haat), Australia, SAARC, ASEAN, BIMSTEC and APTA countries to take care of little domestic market size (*All India Shippers Council Study Report, 2001*), which needs to be amassed through building development nodes alongwith their proper infrastructural connectivity over undulating NER across greater Mekong region for reaping large scale economies of scale. Competitiveness for NER on external front may require special emphasis on linkage through Asian highways, railways to Myanmar and reliance on cost effective marine transportation. Based on all these considerations, following broad theme and sub-themes are worded for this path seeking National Seminar:

CALL FOR PAPER

BROAD THEME: Policy Issues for Economic Development with Special Reference to North East India (NEI)

SUB- THEME

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| (i) Size of Economy and Developmental Initiatives | (viii) Problems and Prospects of Agricultural Marketing |
| (ii) Economic Development Theory, Practice and Policy | (ix) Infrastructure and Development |
| (iii) Development Policy in Historical Perspective | (x) Ethno-Social Perspective |
| (iv) Role of Science and Technology in Development | (xi) Environmental Issues |
| (v) Issues of Migration | (xii) Health and Educational Status |
| (vi) Evaluation of Development Policies | (xiii) Economic Development of NEI and Policy aspect |
| (vii) Act East Policy and Development of NEI | |

Field of knowledge goes beyond these above mentioned points, so you may come up with any idea that touches the broad theme.

ABSTRACT

Abstract of your original concept needs to be expressed within 150-300 words although legitimate relaxations are there but not exceeding 500 words (may mail at jcsaha@rediffmail.com, nationalseminargdc2018@gmail.com). It should have 3 to 4 keywords and if you know, JEL classification.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION: Within 11th February, 2018

FULL PAPER SUBMISSION: Within 11th March, 2018

You will receive an acknowledgement from concerned person and on due date, acceptance will be conveyed to you. If there is any problem, you may consult Seminar convener for immediate initiative. Under exceptional circumstances, these deadlines will not work on the basis of substantial evidences. After 11th March, 2018, every potential participant will be communicated again with the probable programme schedule.

FULL PAPER CRITERIA

Word limit- 3000-5000
Size-12 pt

Font- Times New Roman
Gap- 1.5 lines

Properly Referenced in MLA Style

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Best papers will be honoured with awards in two categories:

Theoretical
and
Applicative

Papers will come out as Seminar proceedings and selected papers will be published as Edited Book later on

REGISTRATION

INR 500 (Teachers Only)

INR 700 (Others)

INR 300 (Research Scholars Only)

INR 200 (Attendees)

Registration fees may also be submitted through Demand Draft in favour of Principal, GDC, Kamalpur, Dhalai, Tripura-799285 and electronically through NEFT. Convener should be accordingly informed. **Registration form can be downloaded from college website also**

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