

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PATHWAYS TO PROGRESS: THE STRATEGIC ROLE OF RESEARCH IN INDIA'S SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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CALL FOR PAPERS-SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Dear Scholars,

Your research deserves the spotlight to create an impact on the global scholarly community. One will notice some remarkable happenings in this mega event with its far-reaching positive impacts among all stakeholders. The representatives will get an opportunity to publish in a well-respected Scoop-indexed, and open-access journal and accordingly giving you this opportunity by inviting your research contribution to its upcoming issue with wide circulation.

Eternal University, Baru Sahib, Himachal Pradesh, is delighted to announce the International Conference on "Pathways to progress: The Strategic Role of Research in India's Socio-

Economic Development", to be held on April 05-06, 2025. This conference aims to bring together scholars, researchers, policymakers, and practitioners to explore the critical intersections of research, innovation, and socio-economic development in India.

We invite scholars, researchers, policymakers and practitioners to submit abstracts of approximately 1000 words addressing one or more of the conference's themes and sub-themes outlined below with additional themes directly or indirectly connected to our main themes having significant impacts on our socio-economic dimensions.

Technical Tracks and Themes:

Technical Track I

Main Theme: Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Startups: Research-Driven Pathways to Economic Growth in the Indian Context.

Sub-themes:

- i. Advancing Innovation and Industrial Growth: The Transformative Role of Scientific Research and its Socio-Economic Impact
- ii. Bridging Research and Industry: Successful Models of Technology Transfer for Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Economic Growth
- iii. Innovation Management in India: Assessing the Impact of Higher Academic Institutions
- iv. From Local to Global: Scaling Indigenous Innovations and Evaluating Institutional Support for Entrepreneurial Growth Since 1950
- v. Collaborative Research and Strategic Stakeholder Engagement: Empirical Insights and Pathways to Inclusive Growth
- vi. Startups Driving Socio-Economic Growth: Empirical Research on Policy Support, Implementation, and Key Insights

Technical Track II

Main Theme: Rural Development in India: A Critical Analysis of Policy Effectiveness, Socio-Economic Impacts, and the Path Forward.

Sub-themes:

- i. Bridging the Urban-Rural Divide through Research Support: Current Status and Future Directions
- ii. The Role of Agriculture in Rural Development for Inclusive Growth: Insights from India and South Asia

- iii. The Role of Research in Advancing Sustainable Agricultural Practices and Their Rural Impact
- iv. CSR Investment in Rural India's Socio-Economic Development: Recent Research Findings, Critical Analysis, and the Path Forward
- v. The Role of Social Sciences in Tackling Rural Poverty and Social Inequities: A Historical Policy Analysis of the Indian Context
- vi. Technological Interventions for Rural Infrastructure and Education: Enhancing Quality of Life through Research-Driven Solutions

Technical Track III

Main Theme: ESG and Sustainability Frameworks: Their Impact on Governance and Transparency

Sub-themes:

- i. ESG and Sustainability Practices: Evidence-Based Impacts, Corrective Measures, and the Path Forward
- ii. The Role of Research Institutions in Shaping ESG Policies and Ensuring Effective Implementation: Macro and Micro Perspectives
- iii. Research for Policy Making in ESG and Sustainability Frameworks

Technical Track IV

Main Theme: Education and Human Capital Development: A Holistic Analysis of Research's Role and Socio-Economic Impacts

Sub-themes:

- i. The Impact of Research on Advancing Education Systems and Pedagogy
- ii. Lifelong Learning and Skill Development through Research Initiatives
- iii. The Role of Education Policy Research in Shaping Future Workforce Skills

Technical Track V

Main Theme: Financial Inclusion and Economic Empowerment: The Strategic Role of Research and its Socio-Economic Impacts

Sub-themes:

- i. Research on Innovative Models for Financial Inclusion in Underserved Areas
- ii. The Role of Fin-tech in Expanding Access to Banking and Credit
- iii. Evidence-Based Strategies for Promoting Financial Literacy and Economic Empowerment

iv. Women Empowerment and Financial Inclusion: Objectives, Necessities, and Efforts by Key Stakeholders

Technical Track VI

Main Theme: Digital Transformation and the Knowledge Economy: A Critical Examination of Socio-Economic Impacts in the Indian Context.

Sub-themes:

- i. Role of Research in Advancing AI, Big Data, and Digital Solutions
- ii. Leveraging Research for Digital Inclusion and Bridging the Digital Divide
- iii. Research in Cyber-security and Data Privacy: Balancing Growth with Security

Technical Track VII

Main Theme: Research and Development in Entrepreneurship Ecosystems: A Historical Analysis of Policy Issues and Effective Implementation

Sub-themes:

- i. How Research Supports the Entrepreneurship Ecosystem and Job Creation
- ii. Incubation and Commercialization of Research-Driven Startups
- iii. The Intersection of Research, Venture Capital, and Innovation Hubs
- iv. The Role of Higher Educational Institutions in Promoting Entrepreneurial Mindsets and Awareness

Technical Track VIII

Main Theme: Inequality, Equity, and Social Justice: A Cross-Functional Perspective on Social Impact Research

Sub-themes:

- i. The Role of Research in Advancing Gender Equality and Social Justice
- ii. Research in Social Entrepreneurship for Community Empowerment
- iii. Evidence-Based Approaches to Reducing Income Inequality
- iv. The Strategic Role of Social Science Research in Addressing Social Inequality: A Holistic Research Approach

Technical Track-IX

Main Theme: Interdisciplinary Research for Holistic Socio-Economic Progress: Bridging Knowledge for Impact

Sub-Themes:

The Role of Interdisciplinary Research in Policy Formulation and Governance

How cross-disciplinary research can inform evidence-based policymaking and governance frameworks.

Integrating Science, Technology, and Social Sciences for Sustainable Development

Case studies of research combine technological and social insights to solve real-world problems.

Cross-Sector Collaborations in Higher Education: Lessons from Global Research Models

Analyzing international best practices in interdisciplinary research and their applicability to the Indian context.

Breaking Silos: Creating a Culture of Collaborative Interdisciplinary Research in India

Addressing barriers to interdisciplinary collaboration and strategies to enhance cross-domain research.

NOTE: The themes related to the tracks mentioned above are not exhaustive and complete in any means. We are open to all other thematic areas which have a direct research connotation with the main theme, with its strategic significance and implications. These could be interdisciplinary in nature, notably all gamut of disciplines come under basic sciences, liberal arts, and related areas of cross-functional nature.

Submission of Abstracts/Extended Abstracts:

- An abstract/extended abstract of not more than 1,000 words, with 4-5 keywords, in MS-Word (in .doc/docx format).
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Important Dates of Submission

- 1. Last Date for Submission of Abstract/Extended Abstracts: 15th March 2025
- 2. Last Date for Submission of Full Paper: 30th June 2025
- 3. Submission Process: Abstracts must be submitted to the following person through the below-mentioned email address:
 - Dr. Ajar Nath Yadav, KSG Akal College of Agriculture, Eternal University, Baru Sahib.
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