

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON FOREST-DEPENDENT RURAL LIVELIHOODS

February 24-26, 2023

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Invitation to participate in and contribute to the National Seminar

Esteemed Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce further details of the National Seminar on “**Forest-Dependent Rural Livelihoods**” during **February 24 - 26, 2023** at the NEHU Guest House, Guwahati.

The seminar has identified three major themes: i) Pros and Cons of the Forest Legislations, ii) Biotic Systems and Bioresources for People, and iii) Future and Sustainability of Rural Livelihoods.

These themes are indicative and are wide open to accommodate your expertise in the broader framework. Both technical and semi-technical articles are welcome. We are looking for the success stories of the forest people deriving benefits from plant, animal, microbial or mineral resources found in or around forests. We are also looking for the stories in which people are losing the resource base affecting their livelihoods. **This seminar is a platform** for all involving managers, conservators, researchers, communities, and NGOs performing studies and implementation of various forest and environment related schemes and legislations especially Forest Rights Act 2006.

We invite your active participation for sharing the knowledge on all dimensions during the seminar and encourage you to pen down a story in form of an article based on your field experience, research and conservation efforts. The articles will be reviewed and published in an established journal. In case many articles are received, an edited book shall be published. Besides, all abstracts will be e-published in form of an Abstract booklet.

Despite fund constraints due to post-Covid-19 situation, we have created five slots for partial sponsorships to registered doctoral scholars who are not receiving any fellowship, and five slots to students who are to complete their master's degree in the next year. These sponsorships are open to only contributors of an accepted article (not for abstract contribution only) and organizers of various programmes. The sponsorship includes 40% waiver in offline registration fee and free one-night stay on twin-sharing basis. The quantum of the sponsorships may go up as we garner more funds from supporters.



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If interested, please fill the registration form by scanning the **QR Code**.

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Click here to download the **First Circular** for details.

Deadlines: Registration & abstract by **31.10.2022**; Full manuscript **30.11.2022**

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NATIONAL SEMINAR

FEBRUARY 24-26, 2023

BLENDED MODE

THEME – I

24 FEB 2023 FRIDAY

PROS & CONS OF THE FOREST LEGISLATIONS

People have lived in harmony with nature for millennia without limitations to access resources. However, numerous legislations in the recent past have obtruded forest-dependent rural livelihoods. The pros and cons of these legislations, including the Forest Rights Act, 2006 shall be debated.

THEME – II

25 FEB 2023 SATURDAY

BIOTIC SYSTEMS & BIORESOURCES FOR PEOPLE

Biotic systems on the Earth offer the only sphere to sustain life in myriad forms. Forest-dependent rural livelihoods sustain chiefly by bioresources and also from abiotic wealth. We shall focus discussion on the progress made in inventory, cataloguing, monitoring, and usage of bioresources.

THEME – III

26 FEB 2023 SUNDAY

FUTURE & SUSTAINABILITY OF RURAL LIVELIHOODS

With the ever-rising human population and demand for resources, it is challenging to contain the depletion of resource stocks. We shall discuss the renewable supply of non-timber forest products including medicines for traditional health, food security, artifacts, and customary practices of rural societies.

OPEN TO ALL DIMENSIONS AND DISCIPLINES



Our lives revolve around their livelihoods.

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Nearly 275 million people in India depend on forest-based livelihoods. Every passing day, they are facing depletion of the resource base and stricter legislation to access the resources – leading to rising hardship. Realizing this, the Government of India enacted the 'Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006' [briefly known as the Forest Rights Act, 2006] to allow tribal and rural societies the rights they held before the designation of protected areas (sanctuary, national park, tiger reserve, etc.).

The Act has yielded mixed results. It's high time to review: i) how well this legislation benefitted the rural people and their livelihoods, ii) what has been the impact on the resource stocks, and iii) what will be the future and sustainability of the rural livelihoods and the forest resources.

WE WELCOME YOU TO SHARE THE STORIES OF YOUR EXPERIENCE

TIMELINE

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION	OCTOBER 09, 2022
ACCEPTANCE OF ABSTRACT	OCTOBER 16, 2022
MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSION	OCTOBER 31, 2022
ABSTRACT WITHOUT MANUSCRIPT	NOVEMBER 30, 2022

Manuscripts accepted after peer review will be published in a reputed journal or edited book. Publication charges may apply depending on the publisher.

EVENTS

- Papers, Posters, Publications
- Competitions, Quiz, Awards
- Exhibitions, Excursions

VENUE



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CONTRIBUTION

	Academia	Others [#]
Presentation Online	₹ 1000	₹ 1000
Presentation Offline*	₹ 2500	₹ 4000
Participation Offline*	₹ 1500	₹ 2000
Exhibition Space 50 sq.ft.	₹ 3000	₹ 5000

* includes FN & AN tea and working lunch during seminar days. Companions may register as participants; [#] includes foreign nationals; accommodation help available.



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