

Registration:

For Participants of University/College/School/State Department/
Research scholars NGOs- Rs. 500.00
For Students- Rs. 200.00.

Registration Mode:

Spot Registration in cash.
Due to paucity of funds, we are unable to provide TA/DA to
the delegates. However, it will be our pleasure to provide
registration kits and local hospitality.

Accommodation:

The organizing committee will not provide accommodation.
Participants are requested to arrange their own accommodation.
There are number of hotels in Raiganj. The following are some
suggestions:

Hotel Sandhyatara (Near University)- 9800217806
Hotel Viraj- 03523 244565, Mob.- 8759359772
Hotel Puspak- 8900520520
Hotel- Binayak- 03523-242082/9800484871/ 9933921321
Tourist lodge- 9733008791
Indira G Atithi Niwas- 03523-243089
Hotel Nataraj- 9002887188

How to Get There:

Raiganj is a small city in Uttar Dinajpur in West Bengal
and known to all for world famous bird Sanctuary.
Raiganj is well connected with the rest of the country
by bus and train transport. Buses are available from
Kolkata and Siliguri. Radhikapur express is only direct
train from Kolkata to Raiganj departing from Kolkata
station at 7.30 pm. There are number of Trains like
Gour Express/Darjeeling mail/Padatik Express/ Shatabdi
Express/ Teesta-Torsha Express which are passing through
Malda Town Station and it is about one and half hour's car
journey from Malda to Raiganj. Air connectivity, Bagdogra
Airport is 3 hour's drive from Raiganj (172 km).

The Climate Condition:

The climate of Raiganj in March is moderate and pleasant.
Raiganj weather in March will have temperatures ranging
from 22-35°C. Participants are requested to bring light
clothings.

Important Dates:

Last date of Abstract submission: March 15, 2017.
Intimation of Acceptance of papers: March 17, 2017
Submission of Full paper: March 20 (up to 12 Noon), 2017.

Organizing Committee:

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**NATIONAL SEMINAR
ON
Development Perspectives for India:
Emerging Issues and Challenges**

27th March, 2017

**Organized by:
Department of Economics
Raiganj, Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal, PIN - 733134**

**Invitation**

Dear Sir/Madam,
It gives us immense pleasure to inform you that a National
Seminar on "Development Perspectives for India:
Emerging Issues and Challenges" has been organized by
the Department of Economics, Raiganj University on 27th March,
2017.

We, on behalf of the organizing committee request your kind
presence and active participation for making this seminar a
grand success.

With regards and thanks,

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Development Perspectives for India

Having realised that about 40 percent of the developing
world's population had not benefited at all from economic
growth during 1950s and 1960s, an increasing number
of economists called for the rejection of the narrow
definition of economic development. During the 1970s,
they redefined the concept of economic development
in terms of the reduction or elimination of poverty,
inequality and unemployment in the context of a growing
economy. For about six decades Latin America, Africa
and Asia, many developing countries relentlessly trying
for social and economic transformation, but the progress
made in this direction is not very encouraging.

India has been experiencing a consistently high growth
rate during the post-liberalisation period following the
implementation of economic reforms in the early 1990s.
It has achieved excellence in several key areas ranging
from information technology and pharmaceuticals to
automotive parts, and is now considered as one of the
fastest growing economies of the world. Despite these
positive developments, India is still among the countries
with some of the lowest indicators of human development.
Its levels of malnutrition, illiteracy and poverty are
unacceptably high. The rise in income inequalities and
regional disparities is also a matter of concern. Employment
has grown, but the jobs created are not of high quality.
Although there has been an expansion in several social
services like health, nutrition and education, the quality
of most of these services remains poor in most of the
rural areas. And above all, an overwhelming majority of
the population is deprived of basic social protection.
Policy-makers are thus faced with a paradox-the persistence
of deprivations and increasing insecurities among a large
section of the population amidst growing affluence and
prosperity for some. The 11th and 12th Five-Year Plan
has also reflected upon these concerns and has highlighted
the need for balanced and 'inclusive growth'.

The idea of the seminar is to revisit these issues under
the changing context and emergence of new opportunities
and challenges which influence various aspects of
development.

Raiganj University:

Raiganj University is a state-funded University at
Raiganj in Uttar Dinajpur district which is one of the
most backward districts of West Bengal. Uttar Dinajpur
has experienced a lowest female literacy rate (53.15%)
according to census data 2011. So, the people of Uttar
Dinajpur is really grateful to Smt. Mamata Banerjee,
the Chief Minister, Govt. of West Bengal for her initiatives
to build a full-fledged University at Raiganj. West Bengal
Legislative Assembly passed the "Raiganj University
Bill-2014" and the University started its functioning from
April, 2015. Prof. Anil Bhuiamal was appointed as the first
Vice-Chancellor of the University.

The University Grants Commission (U.G.C.) has affiliated
the University under section 2(f) of the UGC Act. Raiganj
University offers UG courses (General and Honours),
Masters degrees as well as Ph.D. The University offers
B.Sc.(Hons.) degree in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics,
Botany, Zoology, Computer Science, Microbiology and in
Sericulture. It offers B.A.(Hons.) in Bengali, English,
Sanskrit, History, Geography, Political Science, Philosophy
and in Economics. Raiganj University also offers B.Com in
Accountancy along with M.Sc. in Physics, Chemistry and
in Mathematics. It offers M.A. in Bengali, English, Sanskrit,
History, Political Science, and Philosophy and in Economics.
Raiganj University offers Ph.D in Bengali, English, Sanskrit,
History, Economics, Philosophy, Political Science, Physics,
Chemistry and in Mathematics.

Department of Economics:

The Department of Economics is one of the oldest
department under Raiganj University. The Department
runs UG since long and PG from 2015. Presently the
Department has four Assistant Professors and two Guest
Lecturers in its faculty. Prof. Anil Bhuiamal, Vice Chancellor
in spite of his busy schedule delivers lectures in this
Department. The Department has currently undertaken

Ph.D Programme and 25 Ph.D scholars are pursuing
their research work in different areas under the supervision
of faculty members. The thrust areas of research are
Agriculture, Public Finance, International Economics,
Monetary Economics, Financial Economics, Health
Economics, Environmental Economics and Gender
Studies. Faculty members have published many research
papers in reputed journals and participated in several
National and International Conferences.

Call for Papers and Abstract:

Participants are requested to send their abstract/s and
full paper/s (in MS Word, 12 point font with 1.5 line spacing)
on the above mentioned theme for presentation to the
convener by e-mail (economicrsu2015@gmail.com) Abstract
should not exceed 250 words. The organizing committee is
planning to publish a book with ISBN from selected papers
presented at the seminar. Delegates are requested to send
their full length paper not more than 6-8 pages. The abstract
should contain communications detail including the address,
e-mail and mobile number of the principal author.

Proposed Sub-themes of the seminar:

- 1) Education
- 2) Health and nutrition
- 3) Employment and skills
- 4) Social protection
- 5) Natural resources
- 6) Infrastructure
- 7) Effectiveness of social programmes for attaining
better development outcomes
- 8) Economic Development and Growth.
- 9) Foreign trade and Economic Development
- 10) Issues in public finance.
- 12) Agriculture and labour
- 13) Economic Development and Inclusive growth in India
- 14) Health, Poverty and Human Development in India
- 17) Poverty and Food security
- 18) Education, Social Inequality and inclusive growth
- 20) Any other area relating to our theme.