

# **About the Seminar**

The Two-Day international Seminar on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) will delve into interconnected themes of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The seminar draws inspiration from the universal call to action embedded in the SDGs, adopted by all UN Member States in 2015, with a focus on exploring the interlinkages between these goals. The seminar aims to bring together experts, researchers, policymakers, and stakeholders to discuss crucial issues and explore potential solutions. Here's a brief summary and breakdown of the main points in each theme:

The first theme, No Poverty and No Hunger, emphasizes the need for a reevaluation of poverty alleviation measures. It recognizes the success of widening communication networks, facilitated by the internet and satellite technology, and the implementation of Direct Benefit Transfers. These strategies have proven effective in breaking the cycle of poverty without compromising overall growth. Questions are raised about the validity of nutrition-based poverty indices, prompting a reassessment of the concept of a nutrition-based poverty trap. The seminar also explores the role of microfinance, insurance, and limited access to credible financial schemes in perpetuating poverty.

Moving on to the second theme, which focuses on Education, Public Health, and Employment for Sustainable Development, the seminar underscores the critical interplay between these pillars. It highlights the challenge of delivering quality education in the face of technological advancements, changing demographics, and evolving pedagogical methods. The UNESCO report on the future of education emphases the need to align formal learning with the evolving needs and aspirations of individuals and communities. The sub-theme also acknowledges the emergent role of mental health, especially in the post-COVID era, advocating increased investment and the development of a Mental Health Action Plan. It also discusses social protection and decent work for all when it comes to employment opportunities.

The third theme addresses Affordable and Clean Energy, Climate Action, Sustainable Cities, and Communities. Here, the seminar discusses the urgent need to address global warming and its impact on growth, intergenerational justice, and planetary boundaries. It points to environmental damages, such as the release of ancient viruses

and shifts in the earth's poles, and questions the response to the UNFCCC for limiting global temperature rise. Proposals include imposing a pollution tax on countries and states responsible for environmental damage, exploring interlinkages between environment, health, and agriculture, and finding a balance between environmental protection and economic growth in the absence of fully developed clean energy solutions.

Fourth theme corresponds to Goal 9 which is Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure. Catalyzing progress, Goal 9 advocates for sustainable industry, innovation, and infrastructure. With a focus on inclusive growth, it seeks resilient systems that not only drive economic development but also embrace environment-friendly practices. By fostering innovation and investing in robust infrastructure, we pave the way for a technologically advanced, socially inclusive future.

Fifth theme of the seminar takes inspiration from Goal 16 which envisions a world of peace, justice, and effective governance. With a focus on building strong, accountable institutions, it aims to promote inclusive societies and ensure access to justice for all. It seeks to reduce violence, combat corruption, and establish transparent legal frameworks. By fostering peaceful, just, and inclusive societies, Goal 16 lays the foundation for sustainable development, recognizing the interconnectedness between peace, good governance, and the well-being of individuals and communities.

In summary, the seminar offers a comprehensive platform for interdisciplinary collaboration, knowledge sharing, and in-depth exploration of the relationships among poverty, hunger, education, public health, employment, and the environment. The ultimate goal is to contribute meaningfully to sustainable development.

# **Themes and Subthemes**

### 1. No Poverty and No Hunger

- 1.1 Role of Mechanism Design in Poverty Alleviation Measures
- 1.2 Nutrition-based poverty index
- 1.3 Microfinance, insurance, and poverty

# 2 Enhancing Education, Public Health, and Employment for Sustainable Development

- 2.1 Quality Education V/s Quantity Education
- 2.2 Public Health, Happiness, and Mental Stress
- 2.3 Employment, decent work for all and social protection

# 3 Affordable and Clean Energy – Climate Action, Sustainable Cities and Communities

- 3.1 Time for pollution tax on polluting Countries and States?
- 3.2 Interlinkages between Environment, Health, and Agriculture
- 3.3 Environment Protection V/s Faster Economic Growth

# 4 Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure.

- 4.1 Sustainable Industrialization
- 4.2 Innovation and Technology Advancement
- 4.3 Infrastructure Development and Resilience

# 5 Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions

- 5.1 Access to Justice and Rule of Law
- 5.2 Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding
- 5.3 Effective, Accountable, and Inclusive Institutions

#### **Publication Partner**

The selected papers from the seminar will be considered by **Journal of Asia Business Studies** for publication. **Scopus Indexed**, **Emerald Publishing**, **United Kingdom**.

#### **Date and Venue**

Duration of the seminar: 26th and 27th February, 2024

Venue: Seminar Hall and Auditorium, Dyal Singh college, Lodhi Road,

Pragati Vihar, New Delhi 110003

#### **Submissions**

Who can submit an abstract?

Faculty Members, Professionals, Research Scholars, and Students.

## Registration

Please register using the link

Link: https://forms.gle/yimGV3zEiEXL9vrK6

**Registration Fee:** For Faculty Members and Professionals: ₹ 1000 only

For Research Scholars and Students: ₹ 500 only

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#### **Abstract submission**

The abstract with a word count of 500-600 should be submitted to Email: seminar.eco.dsc@gmail.com

# **Full paper submission**

Those who are interested in sending full paper, can submit it to the same email ID with around 6000 words and APA reference style (7 edition).

#### **Deadlines**

Last date of abstract submission: 31st January 2024 Intimation of Acceptance of Abstract: 5th February 2024

Last date of submission of Full Paper: 15th February 2024

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