

DOCTORAL SCHOLARS' MEET (DSM), 2024



Jointly organized by



CENTRE FOR SOUTH EAST ASIAN STUDIES

**Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit and
Ancient Studies University**

Nalbari

&

**OKD Institute of Social Change and
Development (OKDISCD)**

Guwahati

In collaboration with

Department of Political Science

KBVS&ASU and IQAC, KBVS&ASU



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ABOUT US

About the University:

The Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit and Ancient Studies University stands for imparting education leading to graduate, post graduate degrees as well as research degrees. The University was set up with a notification by the Government of Assam dated May 24th, 2011, of the Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit and Ancient Studies University Act, 2011. The preamble of the Act states that by this Act, the Government of Assam goes "to establish and constitute a teaching, affiliating, research and residential University at Nalbari," the Headquarters of the district of Nalbari, Assam. The University has been awarded UGC 12B status and accredited by NAAC with B⁺.

The campus of the University is developed at Namati Village of Batahgila Mouza under Nalbari Revenue Circle of the district of Nalbari, Assam - 781337. It has an area of 100 bighas of land allotted by the Government of Assam. It is easily accessible by public and private transport facilities.

About the Centre for South East Asian Studies:

The Centre for South Asian Studies was established in the year 2020 as per the Government of Assam mandate as the state government has considered Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit and Ancient Studies University also as a centre of excellence for South East Asian Studies. Since the time of its establishment, the centre has been organizing several seminars, workshop on issues related to South East Asia. From the current academic session, the centre has introduced three courses (paper) under FYUGP as per NEP 2020. The centre has also initiated the collaborative effort with other HEIs of repute for research and learning purposes.

About the Doctoral Scholars' Meet:

The evolution of social sciences as an independent area of epistemic enquiry is testament to mankind's attainment of an egalitarian conceptual universe and structure of knowledge. However, one also needs to be aware of how the social sciences have been constructed historically, what are the current challenges to these constructs and what are the consequent plausible alternatives of the times that lay ahead. Needless to say, Scholars and researchers are essentially amenable to and shaped by the changes occurring in the mundane life of the society. As such, the continuities and ruptures in social science research are indeed indicative of the changes happening in society or its value paradigm. In the recent period, globalization and neo-liberalism coupled with the rise of right-wing forces and retrenchment of democracy have triggered discernible change in the priority areas of social science research around the world. Arguably, the social science disciplines in general, owes a great deal to mankind at this critical juncture of history.

To what extent the social science researchers in India respond to these emerging socio-political realities is an interesting area to ponder over. It will give an impression of the state of this branch of knowledge in India as well as its responsibility in delineating the normative contour of the State's behaviour towards ensuring constitutionalism and regime of rights for citizens. This may be better understood vis-à-vis the question as to 'how egalitarian is social science in India' with an evident dichotomy between its theoretical and empirical rigour, the former mostly getting endorsed by the dominant institutions and academicians of repute in the country. Notwithstanding the prevailing consensus, what we need is a balancing act between meticulous theoretical engagement and vigorous empirical behaviour for truly mirroring the socio-economic realities of our time and setting the perfect tone for an egalitarian future in India. In inviting response to this, the proposed doctoral scholars' meet seeks to engage with the contemporary trends of social sciences research in India and problematize it from different standpoints. The seminar welcomes abstract exclusively from social science research scholars on any of the following sub-themes.



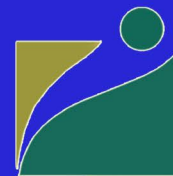
SUB-THEME



- ❖ **Contemporary trends of social science research in India**
- ❖ **Social Science research and egalitarianism**
- ❖ **Problematizing social science research in India**
- ❖ **Discourse of Post-colonial State and Constitutionalism in India**
- ❖ **Poverty of social science theorization in India**
- ❖ **Social Science Research and Indian Knowledge System (IKS)**
- ❖ **Social Science Research in Northeast India**
- ❖ **Any other relevant issue**



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Accommodation:

Free accommodation will be provided to the paper presenters on the basis of their minimum requirement.

How to Reach:

The University is located in Nalbari with a distance of 60 km from the capital city of Assam i.e Guwahati which is well-connected by airways, roadways and railways with the other parts India.

Weather in September: Maximum temperature of Nalbari in September is 30 degree (maximum) and 23 degree (minimum)

Important Dates:

Last date of submission of abstract:

20th August, 2024

Date of acceptance of Abstract:

22nd August, 2024

Last date of Submission of full Paper:

5th September, 2024

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