

First Circular



Two-Day National Seminar

On

Geography as Spatial Science: Contemporary Issues and Challenges

March 8th & 9th, 2019
(Friday and Saturday)

Organised by

Department of Geography, Aliah University

in collaboration with

Foundation of Practising Geographers, Kolkata



Venue

Department of Geography

Aliah University

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About the Seminar

The Earth and its inhabitants are dynamic. The number, range, and activities of people with their excellence continually changes and interacts with natural systems to find peace, comfort and tranquil. Continued advancement in the methods and approaches that scholars use to study the patterns and processes of the terrestrial system, including new analytical tools, geographic information systems, global positioning systems, and new modes of visualization, have transformed the way that geographers conduct research and provide education in numerous complementary fields. Many of the central challenges of the 21st century are tied to changes to the spatial organization and character of the landscapes and environments of Earth's surface as populations move, natural resources are depleted, and climate shifts. Research in the geographical sciences has the potential to contribute greatly to efforts to monitor, analyze, and prepare policy and formulate diagnostic planning for achieving sustainable development and mitigating people's need.

Sub-themes

1. Anthropogeomorphology: Development and issues
2. Climate Change: Theoretical debates, and impact on terrestrial system
3. Virtual Water in the Anthropocene: Development and challenges
4. The Ocean: Life line under threat
5. Environmental Hazards: Issues and prospects
6. Population Dynamics: The mosaic of the world
7. Economy and Resources: Future and sustainability
8. Agriculture and Agrarian Society in Distress: National and regional perspectives
9. Society and Culture: At a cross road
10. Contemporary World: Geo-Political issues
11. Gender and Space: Fair share for fair gender
12. Regional Planning and Development: Past, present and future

The above mentioned topics are not exhaustive. Papers may be welcome on other aspects related to contemporary issues and challenges in Geography.

About the University

Aliah University is state university established in the year 2007 by the Aliah University Act XXVII of 2007 passed in West Bengal Legislative Assembly. The university has its root deeply and firmly established with a pedigree of over 230 years since the University started its journey in the year 1780 as a college. Presently the university offers course in not less two dozen disciplines/subjects ranging from Earth Sciences, Engg. & Tech, Management, Natural and Bio-Sciences, Islamic Theology, Nursing, Mass Communication and Journalism, Education, Social, Arts and Humanities and Law.

About the Department of Geography

The Department of Geography one of the largest departments in the University started its journey in the year 2009. The department is presently running 3- Year B.A/B.Sc. (Hons.), 5-Year Integrated M.A./M.Sc. and 2-Year M.A./M.Sc. courses. Besides, the Ph.D. programme is also conducted by the department. The department has already developed three well-equipped laboratories: Remote Sensing and GIS lab, Cartography lab and Pedology and Petrography lab. Department is boast to have three major research projects and two minor research projects. Active research is being carried out in the fields of geomorphology, hydrology, population geography, urban and regional planning, agricultural geography etc. A galaxy of students from this department is actively involved in research, teaching and administration in both govt. and corporate sectors in India and abroad. Development of research facility and seminar library have progressed considerably where lot of further progress are awaiting.

About Kolkata City

Kolkata is known for its love, grandeur, and glory, and truly nick named as 'City of Joy', for its happy amalgamation of different cultures, styles, and moods, along with many forms of faiths, politics, and economies. Some call it cultural capital and other calls it 'Kallolini'. Kolkatan always boast of its character of full of life and bustle, sometimes verging on the chaotic, but orderly on the larger perspective. Its imperial monuments and strong cultural flavour leave an indelible impression on each visitor.

About Foundation of Practising Geographers (FPG)

Foundation of Practising Geographers formerly Indian Geographical Foundation was established in the year 1993 by Dr. Arun Kumar Sing, Dr. Ashok Kumar Sen and Dr. Arabinda Biswas in Kolkata. The main objective of the Society is to promote the case of advanced study, research and training in all branches of Geography.

Registration fees*

Category of participants	Early Bird (on or before 28/02/2019)	Late Registration (after 28/02/2019)
Faculty Members	Rs. 2000	Rs. 2500
Research Scholars	Rs. 1000	Rs. 1500
PG Students	Rs. 800	Rs. 1300
FPG Life Members	Rs.1800	Rs. 2300

Note: Accommodation charge 1500 per head per day in addition to normal registration fees

**Registration fee includes seminar kits, breakfast, working lunch and tea & snacks.*

Deligates participating in the seminar need to come on their own by local transport (Buses, Taxi, Cabs) running from Airport, Railway station(s) and bus stations to the Department of Geography.

Important Deadlines

Submission of abstract: 15/02/2019

Acceptance of abstract: 20/02/2019

Submission of full paper: 06/03/2019

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Call for abstract and full paper

Abstract and full papers are invited on the seminar sub-themes and other relevant areas. For preparing the abstract and full paper use font style- times new roman, size- 10, and line spacing-1. Use sentence case for the title of the paper and its different heads. The heads would not exceed 3-point hierarchy (e.g. 1.1.1). The hierarchy will assume the order of bold (e.g. **I**), bold italics (e.g. *II*) and italics (e.g. *III*). The abstract will not exceed 250 words including 3-6 key-words. Please provide author name (first and middle name in word-case and last name in all-caps), designation and affiliation in abstract. **Submit abstract and full paper in augeosem@gmail.com.**

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Boys' and Girls' Hostels, Aliah University, New Town Campus

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10. Name of accompanying person, if any:
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11. Accommodation assistance required :Yes/No
12. Registration Fee*: Cash/Demand Draft/Online Banking

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