



TWO DAYS NATIONAL CONFERENCE

On
RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN INDIA: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES
With special focus on Rural Connectivity /PMGSY
(Sponsored by)
Public Works Department (R&B) Department J&K.
13th & 14th November 2024

Venue: Gandhi Bhawan University of Kashmir



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IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of Abstracts	15 oct 2024
Intimation of Acceptance	20 oct 2024
Submission of Full Paper	31 oct 2024

PUBLICATION

Selected and peer reviewed full Research Papers which are presented at conference will be published in conference proceedings in the form of ISBN book.

REGISTRATION

All delegates will have to register for the event. In case of joint authors of research paper all will have to register separately. The registration fee must be remitted exclusively via online transfer to the specified bank account details.

Please note that accommodation will not be provided for participants coming from outside. However, the organizing team will assist in identifying suitable accommodation options.

Conference Fee	
Academicians	₹ 700
Research Scholars	₹ 500
Students	₹ 200
Corporate/Industrial Delegates,	₹ 500

Bank details

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ABOUT KASHMIR

Kashmir, known for its breathtaking landscapes, is a region of cultural richness and diversity. While it thrives on agriculture and tourism, rural development faces challenges due to its unique geography and socio-political context. Addressing these issues is crucial for the sustainable growth and well-being of its rural communities.

UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR

The University of Kashmir, established in 1948, located in Srinagar with satellite campuses to enhance higher education accessibility. It offers diverse programs across major faculties and has been re-accredited as a Grade-A+ university by NAAC, reflecting its excellence in teaching and research. The tranquil campus environment fosters productive learning and academic growth.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

The Department of Social Work at the University of Kashmir, established in 2003, is committed to integrating theory and practice through fieldwork and comprehensive education. Offering M.A, M.Phil. and Ph.D. programs, the department focus on holistic development through seminars and guest lectures, and have produced numerous professionals in civil services, NGOs, and academia. Its efficient faculty aims to make it one of the leading schools of social work in the country.

ABOUT CONFERENCE

The conference aims at bringing together the researchers and academicians in the field of social sciences for dialogue and collaboration. It emphasizes to discuss and showcase recent and significant advances in the field of rural development in general and rural connectivity in

particular. The conference allows experts in the disciplines to connect and offer forum for in-depth study of current problems and solutions in the dynamic domains of subject matter concerning rural development.

One of the basic objectives of conference is to bring together academicians and experts from different parts of the country to exchange knowledge and ideas related to rural connectivity issues. This will provide an in-depth analysis of subjects and update the knowledge of the participants from academic/research institutions/ line departments in generating best rural development working/practice models at local and national level.

CONFERENCE THEMES

Rural Infrastructure and Connectivity

- Impact of PMGSY on Rural Mobility and Accessibility
- Rural Road Development and Economic Growth
- Challenges in Road Construction in Difficult Terrains

Socio-Economic Impact of Rural Connectivity

- Impact on Livelihoods and Employment Opportunities
- Improved Access to Health and Education
- Rural-Urban Linkages and Migration Patterns

Sustainable Rural Development and Connectivity

- Sustainability in Rural Infrastructure Projects
- Climate Change and Its Impact on Rural Infrastructure
- Integrating Green Technology in Rural Connectivity Projects

Policy and Governance in Rural Development

- Evaluation of PMGSY: Policy Gaps and Challenges
- Role of Local Governance and Panchayati Raj Institutions
- Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) in Rural Development

Gender and Social Inclusion in Rural Development

- Gendered Impact of Rural Road Connectivity
- Social Inclusion of Marginalized Communities through Improved Connectivity.

- Empowering Rural Women through Connectivity and Economic Participation

Impact of Connectivity on Agriculture and Allied Sectors

- Road Connectivity and Agricultural Supply Chains
- Connectivity's Role in the Growth of Allied Sectors (Horticulture, Handicrafts, etc.)
- Access to Agricultural Services and Extension Programs

Environmental and Social Impact of Rural Connectivity Projects

- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) of Rural Road Projects
- Social Impact of Large-Scale Rural Connectivity Projects
- Balancing Development and Environmental Conservation

Rural Connectivity and Socio-Economic Stability in Jammu and Kashmir

- Impact of Rural Connectivity on Education and Healthcare
- Rural Youth: Connectivity and Employment Opportunities
- Women Empowerment through Enhanced Mobility and Economic Participation

Call for Papers

All interested academicians, research scholars, and students should submit an abstract of a maximum 250 words by **15 October 2024**, in Times New Roman font size 12, with single spacing in MS-Word format. Thereafter, you can submit your full research paper in APA format (not less than 4000 words) up to October 31, 2024. Best Articles shall be awarded for the Best Research Paper.

All submission in complete can be mailed to:
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