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(राजस्थान राज्य पर केन्द्रण के साथ)

**45th NATIONAL CONFERENCE on
RESOURCES, POPULATION, REGIONAL PLANNING
AND DEVELOPMENT**

(With Focus on Rajasthan State)

9th to 11th November, 2017

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INVITATION

The 45th Annual National Conference of the Rajasthan Geographical Association (RGA) is going to be organized at University of Rajasthan, Jaipur. It will be hosted by the Department of Geography, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur on 9th to 11th November, 2017 on occasion of Golden Jubilee year (to mark foundation of Post-graduate Department). The focal theme of the conference is **Resources, Population, Regional Planning and Development (With Focus on Rajasthan State)**. All the members of geography fraternity including RGA members and researchers from allied disciplines are cordially invited to present their papers and participate in the discussions and proceedings of the 3 day long academic event.

FOCAL THEME

Resources, Population, Regional Planning and Development (With Focus on Rajasthan State)

Today, the issues related to resource exploitation, consequences and their conservation are main concerns of geographers, planners and environmentalists. There is a consensus that availability of natural sources determines the spatial pattern of economic development. Besides, their judicious planning for a balanced and equitable regional development. Of course, human resource plays a key role in shaping direction and state of resources use. Regional development of any nation or state represents the close relationship between the man and nature, which had been a miscellany of geographers over the years.

With its area of 3,42,239 km², Rajasthan is the biggest state in India. The Aravalli hills range intersects the state into two unequal parts about three-fifths lies to the north west and the rest two fourths to the south east. Rajasthan possesses more than 10 per cent of country's geographical area, 5.5 per cent of population but endowed with only about one per cent of its total water resources.

Southern Rajasthan is mainly hilly and covered by good forest cover. Large tracts of eastern Rajasthan area with relatively fertile soils. However the greater part of Rajasthan is either sandy or hilly which requires special attention for ecological restoration of Rajasthan state. *The climatic extremes with frequent drought occurrence of varying intensities* affect hydrological conditions and ultimately the economy of Rajasthan which is predominantly of agrarian character. Mineral and animal resource base of Rajasthan is quite satisfactory. Agriculture needs special attention owing to the scarcity of water and irrigation facilities.

Tourism is an emergent area to boost economy. Rural and urban divide needs to be taken care by effective regional plans and settlement betterment especially ensuring livability in urban centres of Rajasthan.

Safe drinking water remains a challenge in both urban and rural areas. Some of the fragile ecosystems require immediate attention for their protection. There is a greater need to have introspection on the various programmes to watershed and micro level development through government agencies and Non-governmental organizations.

Agriculture with its allied occupations of cattle rearing, is the most important single sector of economy of Rajasthan giving sustenance to about more than two thirty of its population. The means of irrigation are largely undeveloped.

Focus on identification of watersheds of varying sizes and shapes is already in practice. Each one of these has different hydrogeomorphological structure and socio-economic structure.

Rajasthan is a northern Indian state bordering Pakistan its western side. Its places, forests and levels are reminders of the history. In its capital, Jaipur (the "Pink City"), are the 18th Century.

Rajasthan is one of most popular tourists place for both international and domestic tourists. It testimony of one of the best practices of town planning attracts tourists for its forts, palaces, havelis, art and culture. Every third foreign tourist visiting India and also visits Rajasthan. Endowed with natural beauty of landscapes and great history 'Rajasthan has a flourishing tourism industry.' Eco tourism is a rather new concept, which is meant for tourists who are ecologically and socially conscious.

Besides, dealing with the theoretical aspects, participants are expected to deliberate on the following sub themes:

SUB THEMES

- Land Resources
- Livestock Resources
- Irrigation and Agricultural Development
- Tourism Development
- Desert Ecology and Its Restoration
- Population Growth, Rural and Urban Settlements
- Watershed Development Programmes and Rural Livelihoods
- Water Resources
- Mineral Resources
- Industrial Development
- Conservation of Aravalli Hill Region
- Tribal Area Planning and Development

IMPORTANT DATES

Conferences Dates	:	9th to 11th November, 2017
Abstract Submission	:	30th September, 2017
Intimation of Acceptance	:	15th October, 2017
Full Paper Submission	:	28th October, 2017

REGISTRATION FEE

Registration Deadlines	Academicians	Research Scholars
Up to 10th October, 2017	Rs. 1000/-	Rs. 800/-
11th October, 2017 to 30th October, 2017	Rs. 1100/-	Rs. 900/-
On the spot on 09th November, 2017	Rs. 1200/-	Rs. 1000/-

Participants are required to become Life or Annual Member of the RGA. If not a life member, annual membership fee of Rs. 250/- or life time member of Rs. 3000/- has to be paid together with membership form (The registration fee includes Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Accommodation and Conference Kit).

***Note :** No TA and DA will be paid to the delegates for attending / participats the conference.

MODE OF PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEE

The registration section is available on our website.

1. Registration fee can be sent through Demand Draft in Favour of Convener, 45th National Conference, RGA, Jaipur and Payable at Jaipur.
2. NEFT Transfer to Bank: UCO Bank
3. In case of Direct Fund Transfer to Our Bank Account, please E-mail us with the Transaction ID & attach scanned copy of Transaction Slip. In Case of payment by DD, please write Your Name, Transaction ID and E-mail ID on the backside of the draft. In any case payment must positively be deposited on or before the last date.

GUIDELINE FOR PAPER SUBMISSION

Abstract should not exceed 250-400 words. The papers should be typed in MS word, Times New Roman, font size 12 with line space of 1.5 on A4 size paper. In Hindi, it should be typed in Kruti Dev010 with font size 10 and line space of 1.5. Participants are requested to carefully submit only one online copy of the Abstract along with registration fee. Abstract without Registration Fee will not be published in the Souvenir.

The best research paper by the participant below the age of 35 years will be awarded with the Young Geographer Award. Please mention "Young Geographer Award" on the first page of the research paper. The paper submitted will be accepted in individual capacity (Joint paper will not be accepted).

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF RAJASTHAN

The University of Rajasthan, Jaipur had celebrated its 71st foundation day on the 8th January 2017. It consists of seven constituent colleges, 37 Post-graduate departments and 20 specialised research centres, the latest being Centre for Converging Technologies (CCT), and Centre for Museology and Conservation. It has approximately 663 affiliated colleges (both government and private). The main faculties are Arts, Fine Arts, Social Sciences, Science, Commerce, Management Studies, Law and Education.

UGC has recognized the University of Rajasthan amongst the top 15 Indian Universities with Potential for Excellence (UPE) in 2012. The scheme of the UPE was introduced

by the UGC during the IX Plan period 'to provide substantial support to selected Universities with Potential for Excellence.' The intention was to make these Indian Universities comparable to the world class Universities by enabling them to adapt to modern methods of teaching and learning, developing learner-friendly lecture materials, changing their evaluation methods and striving for excellence, to sustain them in this competitive world.

In addition, Department of Science and Technology (DST) recognized the University of Rajasthan for the grants under its Promotion of University Research and Scientific Excellence (PURSE) Programme. In appreciation of the R&D contributions of the performing Universities, PURSE initiative was taken by Department of Science & Technology, Government of India to initiate value added proactive measures through introduction of R&D incentive grant." PURSE scheme provides substantive research grant to Universities based on scientific publications in Science Citation Indexed (SCI) Journals through SCOPUS database.

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY

The post-graduate Department of Geography was established in the year 1968 housed in the University Rajasthan College, Jaipur premise. Since July 2002 the Department is located in the main campus of the University. At present, the Teaching Faculty consists of 1 Professors, 8 Associate Professors and 4 Assistant Professors. This is a major Department not only in the State of Rajasthan but also in the north-west India. The Department is providing academic leadership to more than 100 post-graduate departments affiliated to the University of Rajasthan, Jaipur.

The faculty members have served as presidents of national and state level academic bodies. The Department has provided the national leadership in terms of having held conferences such as National Association of Geographers, India (NAGI), Indian Institute of Geographers (IIG), Institute of Indian Geo-morphologists (IGI) and Rajasthan Geographical Association (RGA). Faculty had also availed Academic Fellowship tenable in the UK as Commonwealth fellow during the early 1990s.

The Department is presently running M.A./M.Sc. and M. Phil./Ph.D. Courses. Research is pursued in different fields of applied nature such as mapping of land degradation, decertification, land use and regional planning and resource management especially water resources conservation and aquifer augmentation. Presently more than 200 scholars are engaged in doctoral research work, out of which more than 100 scholars are getting Junior/Senior Research Fellowships awarded by the UGC, CSIR and Rajeev Gandhi Fellowship Scheme. The Department of Geography is well equipped with labs of GIS and Cartography. The Department maintains a Weather Station and it is also facilitated with smart class room.

The Department is actively engaged in research and it had completed major projects sponsored by UGC, NORAD (Norway), ACUs, DRDO, DST (GoR), ICSSR etc. At present the Department is running three major projects sponsored by DST (GoI), SAC -ISRO (DoS, GoI) and ICSSR.



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The Rajasthan Geographical Association, Bhilwara

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Name :

Designation :

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Mobile No. :

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Whether Presenting Paper : Yes / No

Title of the Paper :

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Applying for Young Geographer Award : Yes / No

Whether Life Member of RGA : Yes / No

If yes, Life Membership No.:

Accommodation Required : Yes / No

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