

REGISTRATION FORM

The 20th Annual Conference of The Indian Political Economy Association

Name: _____

Designation: _____

Official Address: _____

Email id: _____

Phone No: _____

Membership status: Member/Non-member

Whether any Accompanying members: Yes/No

Accommodation needed: Yes/No

Delegate Fee:

Rs. 1000/- for life-member

Rs.1200/- for non-member

Rs. 800/- for accompanying person

DD No. _____ Dated _____

in favour of **Local Organizing Secretary, The 20th Indian Political Economy Association Conference** payable at Amritsar and send to the Local organizing Secretary (IPEA), Punjab School of Economics, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar-143005.

Mode of Travel: _____

Arriving on: _____

Time: _____

Departure: _____

Signature

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Filled-in registration form along with the demand draft drawn in favour of Local Organizing Secretary, The 20th Indian Political Economy Association Conference payable at Amritsar should reach the Organizing Secretary by September 30, 2016. Registration on arrival will also be accepted. Accommodation for those who arrive without prior intimation will be provisional subject to availability of rooms.

Reaching the Campus

Amritsar is well connected by Road, Rail and Air. Guru Nanak Dev University is situated at a distance of 5 km from Railway Station, 7 km from Bus Stand and 12 km from the Airport.

Organizing Secretary

The 20th Annual Conference of The Indian Political Economy Association (IPEA)

(4-6 November, 2016)



Organized by
Punjab School of Economics
Guru Nanak Dev University
Amritsar-143005
(www.gndu.ac.in)

The Conference Invitation

We take the pleasure of inviting you to the 20th Annual Conference of The Indian Political Economy Association (IPEA), being organized by the Punjab School of Economics, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar during 4-6 November, 2016. IPEA has given advertisement for a call for papers in Economic and Political Weekly, July 16, 2016. We look forward for you to participate and enrich the deliberations with your conceptual and empirical contributions on issues related to the themes of the Conference.

The Themes of the Conference :

1. **Livelihood and Citizenship Crises in the Third World**
2. **Developments in the Theories of Political Economy**
3. **Labour and Peasant Movements in India**

Papers should be original, written in a wider political economy framework and fall in the thematic scheme of the conference. Papers should not cross a word limit of 7000 words. The last date for submission of full papers is **30th September, 2016**. After a review by Scrutiny Committee, authors will be intimated by email about the acceptance of their papers, by 10th October, 2016. All papers should be sent to the organizing secretary email: **20ipeac@gndu.ac.in**

About the Indian Political Economy Association

The Indian Political Economy Association is a Society registered under the Societies Registration Act. A number of social scientists from many Universities, Research Institutes and Colleges, Journalists and Public-men, after a long process of deliberations, decided to set up this Association. The Association came into formal existence in October 1989. The Association has over 500 life members from various parts of the country and has so far held 19 Annual Conference in different parts of the country since its inception. It is returning to Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar to conduct the 20th Conference after nine years. Political Economy has been one of the richest intellectual traditions in Social Sciences, which offers a broad structural analysis of transformation of the economy and its constituencies in a comprehensive manner. Political economy is a philosophical critique of society for its transformation towards a more just, equal and humane society while pursuing goals of development and welfare. The approach, by its very nature, is multi-disciplinary, transcending the traditional boundaries of individual branches of social sciences, extends even to art, literature to socio-political movements in explaining social realities. It was felt that the Association should bring together people who are trying to understand the social processes in their organic utility without excessive influence of the individual disciplines they are formally trained in. A country like India, where social transformation imposes a multitude of complexities, offers a strong intellectual challenge to scholars, activists and policy makers. An engagement in Political Economy certainly offers a meaningful answer in meeting such challenges and Indian Political Economy Association aims to deliberate them. The Association strives to

promote a fully democratic, participative and non-hierarchical academic culture and seeks to work in these directions with an approach and perspective outlined above.

Besides conducting annual conferences, the Association so far has brought out several publications on different concerns of political economy and it has been publishing Alternative Economic Survey since 1992.

Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar was established at Amritsar on November 24, 1969 to mark the 500th birth anniversary of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The University is successfully catering to more than twenty thousand students in various faculties at University Campuses and Constituent Colleges. The University has risen to 16th rank in the top 50 universities of the country, as per recent survey conducted by 'India Today' and has achieved 11th Position, out of the 500 universities, in publications in science. The university has won the highest sports award in the country, the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy, for a record of 21 times. The University has won National Championship in Inter-University Youth Festivals for 8 times. The University has also won the North Zone Inter-University Cultural Championship for 12 times. The University has been declared 'University with Potential for Excellence' by University Grants Commission, New Delhi to establish Centres of Advance Studies in Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Sciences and Comparative Literature. The University is accredited with a CGPA of 3.51 out of 4 with 'A' grade, highest for any University by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council. Academic Staff College of the University has been placed at 12th rank by NAAC, Bengaluru. The University today boasts of 37 academic departments at the university campus, 4 regional centres, 14 constituent colleges, 148 affiliated colleges and 71 associate institutes, most are situated in the rural areas. It has been the effort of the University to be proactive in its reach to the rural masses.

Punjab School of Economics

The School was established in 1974 and offers the following programmes in Economics.

1. B.Sc. (Hons. School) in Economics with emphasis on Economic Theory with Quantitative Methods.
2. M.Sc. (Hons. School) in Economics with one of the several options to specialize in Quantitative Economics and Computer Applications. Dissertation is Optional.
3. M.A. (Business Economics) – a specialized two years course with emphasis on Computer Applications and Business Forecasting Techniques.
4. The School offers facilities for Ph.D. in the following areas:
 - i) Applied Economic Theory
 - ii) Development Economics
 - iii) Monetary Economics
 - iv) International Economics
 - v) Industrial Economics
 - vi) Regional Economics
 - vii) Agricultural Economics

viii) Public Finance

ix) Environmental Economics

5. The School brings out two annual Research Journals namely; PSE Economic Analyst and Indian Journal of Quantitative Economics.
6. The School currently has 13 faculty members and over 400 students. The School has awarded more than 250 Ph.D. degrees. The School is proud to see many of its students placed in leading academic institutions, universities, administrative and corporate sector in India and abroad.

About the Punjab and Amritsar

Punjab is a leading state and is often referred to as the Food Basket of the country. It contributes more than 50% of wheat and 40% of rice to the central pool. The small scale industry dominates the industrial scenario. The infrastructure is also fairly developed.

Amritsar is the second largest city of the Punjab with a population of over 10 lakh. Known as the city of Golden Temple, the other places of religious and historical interest in the city include Jallianwala Bagh, Durgiana Temple and border check post at Wagha. The city is considered as a shopping centre for folk-crafts, jewellery, tillajutti, woollen clothes including shawls and blankets etc.

Climate

During the month of November, the temperature ranges from 30°C during the day to 16°C at night. Therefore, the delegates are advised to bring light warm clothes.

Venue

The Conference will be held at the Guru Nanak Dev University Campus. The Inaugural and Plenaries will be held at Auditoriums of Guru Granth Sahib Bhawan and Guru Nanak Bhawan.

Accommodation

Accommodation to the delegates will be arranged at the Guest House on the Campus between 4-6 November, 2016, on twin sharing basis. Delegates should intimate at least one month in advance, clearly mentioning date and time of arrival and number of persons travelling. Accommodation for those who arrive without prior intimation will be provisional subject to availability of rooms.

Reception and Transport arrangements

Arrangements will be made to receive the delegates at the Airport, Railway Station and Bus Stand, Amritsar. Therefore, the delegates are requested to indicate clearly the date, time and mode of travel in the Registration Form and ensure that it reaches before September 30, 2016.

Yours sincerely,

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