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INAUGURAL SESSION

March 16, 2019 (10:00 a.m. onwards)

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| Chief Guest | : | Sh. Manpal Ramawat
Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary
District Legal Service Authority
Kaithal (Haryana) |
| Key Note Address | : | Prof. R.S. Yadav
Dean, Academic Affair
State University of Performing & Visual Arts,
Rohtak (Haryana)
Former Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences,
Chairman, Department of Political Science,
Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra |

VALEDICTORY SESSION

March 16, 2019 (4:00 p.m. onwards)

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| Chief Guest | : | Prof. P.D. Sharma
Former Dean, Faculty of Social Science,
Chairman, Department of Political Science,
Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra |
| Valedictory Address | : | Prof. Manjusha Sharma
Professor,
Department of Public Administration
Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra |



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Cordially invite you to

INTER-DISCIPLINARY NATIONAL SEMINAR

On

Kashmir Problem: The Way Forward

Organized by: Department of Political Science

Sponsored by: The Director General Higher Education, Haryana

Saturday, 16th March 2019



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ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Radhakrishnan Sanatan Dharam (P.G.) College, Kaithal is situated at a prime location of the town on Hisar-Ambala National Highway. The College has a vast campus spread over an area of more than 12 acres of land. In 1954, a charitable educational society called Rastriya Vidya Smati (RVS) was registered under the leadership of a well-known philanthropist, Seth Makhan Lal and the first college of the city i.e. R.K.S.D. College was established by this society. The college has a vast campus having double storied E-shaped building, well furnished PG. Block, Girls Hostel Block, fully air-conditioned and well-furnished Seminar Rooms, Hall and Library, Play-Ground and Indore Stadium etc. The College is accredited 'A' Grade by the NAAC in 2017. It is reckoned among the top colleges of the Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra and has earned enviable reputation in the field of academics, sports and cultural activities. It has not only known as one of the best college of Haryana, but also made its name nationally and internationally through its achievements in various fields year after year. At present, college has a strength of around 4000 students in Morning Session and 2000 Students in Evening Session. The college offers Post- Graduate courses in Political Science, Hindi, English, Mathematics, Economics and Commerce and Under-Graduate courses in Commerce, Arts, Science (Non-Medical, Medical, Electronics and Computer Science), B.B.A., B.C.A. and PG.D.C.A.

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

In this contemporary world order, when the forces are shifting from political to economic and universalism to regionalism; India-Pakistan are still busy in the environment of distrust and conflict. Both have been paid much more in form of casualties, poverty, hunger, disease and unemployment due to political rivalry and exaggerated hatredness. Presently, throughout the globe new peace process and economic grouping are in force. To realize these realities in south Asia, a rapprochement is not only inevitable, but also demands of hour. Rivalry between India and Pakistan is more than 71 years old and shows no signs of long-term resolution in near future. Besides, their rivalry has been punctuated by four full scale wars and numerous interstate crises. Theories of foreign policy and international relations offer limited clues as to why this rivalry has sustained for so long time. This might have been due to their unsettled territorial issues, political incompatibility, irreconcilable position of national identity and lack of trade and economic relations between them. The stasis has also been attributed due to lack of suitable external or internal shocks that might have worked as a means for change. However, the main cause of such enduring rivalry seems to be the inability of the two parties to agree on a mutually acceptable settlement over the disposition of the state of Jammu and Kashmir. Both countries were born in conflict, because the partition of the subcontinent did not fully settle the distribution of territory. Another reason might have been contends regarding national identities and religious belief. As a result, they continue to compete with each other over such contraries situations. Pakistan's non-secular, Islamic and authoritarian identity and India's secular and democratic identity seems to be key to the endurance of their rivalries. Over the period of time the Kashmir problem has sustained various groups who have vested interests in the continuation of this problem. It has given political relevance to many political parties, religious and fundamental organizations, military blocks and militant outfit in both the countries. The issue of Kashmir is likely to remain alive for many decades due to the entirely contradictory arguments put forward by both the countries. In one hand, India has considered Kashmir's accession to India is a non-issue, unquestionable and stable fact. It has always looked to address its problems in Kashmir. On the other hand, Pakistan has looked at the Kashmir problem is something which could be categorized as the 'problem of Kashmir'. It has defined it as an unfinished agenda of the Indian partition; where as the legality and legitimacy of the Kashmir's accession to the Indian Union is questionable. The seminar would therefore explore the possibilities of any policy shift in their relations and particularly regarding Kashmir in this changed international milieu. It would also bring to light whether Kashmir can be resolved in the near future to the satisfaction of all parties concerned and if not what is required on the part of all stakeholders in the interim which may eventually facilitate the resolution of the Kashmir issue in the years ahead. In this present seminar an efforts will be made to know how Kashmir issue is a major obstacle in the harmonious relationship between India and Pakistan. Why both have not transformed their relations in permanent peace and cooperation in such a long

period? Why the issue of Kashmir is vital to resolved at present times? Is it a 'problem of Kashmir' or 'problem in Kashmir' or 'problem of region'? What are the internal and external dynamics of this issue and will they allow any compromising agenda? Is Kashmir merely a territorial question or religious and political objectives fueling the fire? Can India and Pakistan allow the Kashmir issue to be stumbling block in the process of reconciliation and building peace in the region in this changed globalised world, where as the economic forces are more important than political issues? Is the more autonomy to Jammu and Kashmir only solution of this problem? Whether it would resolve the problem or automatically lead to more complicated situation as Jammu and Laddakh peoples also separate autonomy aspirations? What is the importance of Confidence Building Measures (CBMs) in this area in shaping goodwill gesture in this region? How the people of both sides of Kashmir think about their future and their aspirations? These and others related questions are the main thrust of this Inter-disciplinary National Seminar.

SUB-THEME OF THE SEMINAR

- Kashmir Problem: History, Present and Future
- Kashmir Problem: Perception and Realities
- Kashmir Problem: Issues, Challenge & Opportunities
- Kashmir Problem: Territorial Disputes or Religious or Political Aspirations
- Kashmir Problem: Terrorists or Separatists
- Problem of Kashmir or Problem in Kashmir
- Kashmir Problem: India's Kashmir Policy
- Kashmir Problem: Pakistan's Kashmir Policy
- Kashmir Problem: Freedom Fighter or fighter for Social, Economic and Political Rights
- Kashmir Problem: Articles 35-A & 370 Debate
- Kashmir Problem: Confidence Building Measures (CBMs)
- Kashmir Problem: Greater Autonomy for Kashmir, Jammu and Ladakh Region
- Kashmir Problem: Bilateral Vs Trilateral or Multilateral Settlement
- Kashmir Problem: The Issue of Kashmiri Pandit's and Re-settlement
- Any other topic related to this theme

PAPER GUIDELINES

The participants are requested to submit their papers/ original research contributions in any of the themes given above. The guidelines about Abstract and Research Paper is following:

- Abstract 500 words
- Full length paper 3000-4000 Words
- Typed in M.S. Word, Times New Roman, 12 Font Size, 1.5 lines spacing on A4 size paper

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Last Date for submission of Abstract** : **28.02.2019**
- **Last Date for submission of full length Paper** : **10.03.2019**

REGISTRATION FEE

The Registration fee is Rs. 200/- only for delegates as well as Research Scholars per head on the spot. T.A./D.A. of the delegates will be borne by the parent college.

VENUE OF SEMINAR

Main Hall, R.K.S.D. (P.G.) College, Kaithal

SEMINAR REPORT

Department of Political Science organised one day Inter-disciplinary National Seminar on -- 'Kashmir Problem: The Way Forward' in the main hall of the College on 16th March, 2019. It was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chairman R.K.S.D. Group of Institutions Advocate Saket Mangal in the presence of large number of scholars, delegates and researchers from all over India. Prof. R.S. Yadav, Dean Academic Affairs, State University of Performing and Visual Arts, Rohtak and former Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and Chairman, Department of Political Science, Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra was delivered the Keynote address. Dr. R.K. Gupta, former Associate Professor and Head, Department of Political Science of the College was Guest of Honour of this occasion. Advocate Saket Mangal, Chairman R.K.S.D. Group of Institutions, Vice-President Governing Body, Sh. Naresh Shorewala, General Secretary Sh. Pankaj Bansal, Treasurer Sh. Shyam Bansal, Convener Evening Session Sh. Navneet Goyal and Principal Dr. S.K. Goyal formally welcomed the guests. Dr. C.B. Saini, Head Department of Political Science, presented the statement of theme by placing the Kashmir issue in larger historical contexts and invited philosophical, political and social views of the participating scholars on this issue taking global dimension.

In his Keynote address Prof. R.S. Yadav stressed upon the importance of Kashmir as a determining factor not only in India's neighbourhood policy, but also in India-Pakistan relations and emphasized conflict over the Kashmir with Pakistan. He tried to highlight the dispute in new perspectives as to why the issue of Kashmir is necessary to be resolved today. Prof. Yadav discussed this issue comprehensively by dividing the issue into two parts i.e. issues and solutions. He explored the historical contexts of this issue and held the then authorities who could not take hard decisions responsible for blunders in 1948. He further expressed that due to our historical mistakes, we have already lost a significant part of Kashmir to Pakistan and China. He further stressed that when we analysis it, our focused should not only be on Kashmir, but also on PoK, people of the region, theory of accession, the role of Mountbatten, the then army chief and also discuss other part of the region, demarcation of the LoC and article 370. Besides this, one thing we must remember is that at present Kashmir is not a domestic issue, but it has become an international one. He expressed that nontraditional threats like proxy war and narcotic traffic created a long term and serious consequences to security in India. He emphasized that we should see this problem with new perspectives and should not hesitate in taking the cooperation of countries like China in resolving this. Because of china is not only our major trade partner, but also a global power. He also argued for active and sustained efforts to negotiate with Pakistan on every aspect of the issue. He further said that the need of taking diplomatic initiatives on International level for resolving this issue cannot be overlooked. The Guest of Honour Dr. R.K Gupta presented a small documentary on Kashmir. Dr. Surender Singh Organising Secretary of this Seminar, in his concluding remarks observed that in the changing global scenario, India should re-adjust its foreign policy towards Pakistan and policy towards Kashmir as the latter is emerging as a new power in the fields of military, technology and economy. Therefore if India aims for better status in world politics, it has to maintain good relations within its neighbourhood and resolve disputes with its neighbours without sacrificing regional peace and cooperation.

There was four technical sessions organised in this seminar. First technical Session was chaired by Dr. Suresh Kumar, Head Department of Political Science, J.V.M.G.R.R. (PG) College, Charkhi Dadri and Co-chaired by Dr. Rajesh Chauhan, Assistant Professor, Department of English, S.A. Jain College, Ambala City.

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Fourth technical Session was chaired by Dr. Parveen Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science Government College for Women, Ateli (Mahendragarh) and Co-chaired by Dr. Anil Jindal, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, R.K.S.D. (PG) College, Kaithal.

The main speakers of these sessions were Dr. Suman Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Rajdhani College, Delhi University, New Delhi, Dr. Sadaf Shah, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of English, University of Jammu, Jammu (J&K), Dr. S. Subba Rao, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Tamil Nadu National Law University, Tiruchirapalli (TN), Dr. Vaishali Jain Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, Sh. Ajay Mohan Head and Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, D.A.V. (PG) College, Pehowa (Kurukshetra), Dr. Jyoti Singh, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, M.D. University, Rohtak, Dr. Ajay Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Khalsa College, Karnal etc. Overall 150 scholars from different parts of the country presented their research paper and the views on circumstances, causes, and solutions with varying perspectives.

Seminar came to a close with the valedictory Address by Prof. Manjusha Sharma, Department of Public Administration, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra. Prof. P.D. Sharma, former Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and Chairman, Department of Political Science, Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra was Guest of Honour of this session. In his presidential remarks Professor P.D. Sharma, stressed upon the need for understanding historical roots for evaluating current situation of Kashmir dispute. He was of the view that with the changed scenario after globalization and the emergence of non-traditional threats, India's neighbourhood in South Asia in general and India and Pakistan in particular has acquired geo-economic and geo-strategic significance. Therefore, by necessity the responses in policy framework have to be adaptable and elastic for the situation in Kashmir as the paradigms of our region are always fluid and dynamic. Dr. Ashok K. Atri presented the Seminar report. Prof. Shri Om presented vote of thanks. This thought provoking seminar ended with national anthem. Ms. Reena Sheokand, Dr. Umesh Kumar, Sh. Jagbir Singh, Sh. Parveen Kumar and Ms. Reetu played important role in making this event a wonderful programme. In the overall organisation and management of the seminar, an interdepartmental cooperation among all PG departments was of great advantage to students and faculty.

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