



## National Seminar on Sustainable Natural Resources Management

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### **Organised by**

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### **Important Dates:**

Abstract Submission  
October 30, 2017

Decision on Abstract:  
October 31, 2017

Full Paper Submission:  
November 20, 2017

Seminar Dates:  
November 25, 2017

### **Background of the Seminar**

Natural resources like land, water, forests, fisheries, livestock, minerals, biomass resources, biodiversity and genetic resources are assets that we can obtain from our environment. Natural resources are often seen in terms of economic value, as these resources are very foundation of human survival, progress, prosperity and crucial for people's livelihoods. Over the past 50 years, to meet the growing economic demands of increasing population, humans have used natural resources more rapidly and extensively. This has resulted substantial gains in economic wellbeing, but these gains have been achieved at growing costs in the form of the degradation of natural resources and ecosystems. So, continued increase in resource use and the related environmental impacts have a number of negative effects leading to natural resource depletion, ecological crises and security threats. The sustainable use and management of natural resources have therefore come into focus, beginning with the summit in Rio de Janeiro in 1992 and has been the subject of many policy discussions in the recent decade. Natural Resources Management (NRM) refers to the sustainable utilization of major natural resources, such as land, water, air, minerals, forests, fisheries, and wild flora and fauna. NRM aims at economic development where natural resources are used in a sustainable manner to enhance human welfare. Economic development and sustainable NRM are generally compatible, but difficult tradeoffs may occur at times. What is driving our material and energy use may become a global environmental problem and a threat to future generations. Development of a policy on natural resources is still at an early stage, and many important questions remain open.

As far as India is concerned we have experienced a remarkable growth story over the last decades but not without natural resources degradation, and depletion. Therefore, sustainable natural resource management is highly desirable in the global context and particularly in India context. Against this backdrop, the department of Economics, Ravenshaw University is organizing a National Seminar to deliberate on the issues pertaining to the use and management of natural resources.

### **Seminar Sub-themes**

The Sub-themes of the seminar are as follows:

1. Sustainable Natural Resource Management : Concepts, Indicators and Practices
2. Valuation of natural resources and eco-system services
3. Climate change impacts on natural resources
4. Community participation in management of natural resources (land, water, forests, livestock resources and fisheries)

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5. Natural resources management and poverty reduction
6. Management and sustainable use of renewable and non-renewable energy
7. Environmental pollution, regulations and compliances
8. Green accounting
9. Sustainable management and use of mineral resources: practices, problems, and policies
10. Sustainable Agriculture

### Guidelines for Paper Submission

Intending participants are requested to send an abstract of around 500 words containing objectives, research methodology and major findings of the study. The abstract should include keywords, full address and e-mail ID of the corresponding author. The acceptance of the abstracts will be intimated to the author through e-mail and then authors have to send the complete paper to the Organising Secretary by e-mail (snrm2016@gmail.com). The full papers are ideally required to be within 4000 to 8000 words typed in 12-point font (Times New Roman) and 1.5-spaced with margin 1” on top, bottom, left and right. Submission of paper by e-mail is preferred. However, accepted papers are required to be sent to the seminar organising secretary in both hard and soft copy in MS-Word. A few selected papers presented in the seminar will be considered for publication with ISBN number by a reputed publisher.

### Travel and Accommodation

Limited travel grants will be provided to few selected delegates on depending on the availability of fund. Accommodation and local hospitality for all out-station participants will be arranged only on confirmation of participation.

### About the University

Ravenshaw University was established as a unitary state university on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2006 and accredited with “A” grade by NACC in 2016. It was an upgradation of Ravenshaw College established in 1868, one of the oldest and largest colleges in India. This much-celebrated institution is considered as one of the greatest educational institutions that India has so far produced. Recognizing its great heritage, the Institution has been awarded National Honour by the Government of India through the issue of a commemorative stamp in 1978. Currently, the University has eleven schools of studies comprising twenty-seven departments in several disciplines. Twenty three departments are offering post-graduate programmes including M.A. M.Phil and Ph.D. Recently the University has introduced several reforms on the academic front.

### About the Department

The Department of Economics of the University (Estd in 1931) is known for its teaching and research activities in core as well as applied areas of Economics. The Department offers B.A./B.Sc (Hons), M.A./M.Sc, M.Phil and Ph.D programmes in Economics. In addition, it runs regular MA, M.Phil/Ph.D courses in Rural Development. Seminars, workshops, special lectures and other academic programmes on issues of national importance are being organised from time to time. The Department publishes a research journal entitled ‘Ravenshaw Journal of Economics’ and a seminar bulletin ‘Arthatathya’ on annual basis. As a major boost to its teaching and research activities, the Department has been conferred the status of UGC Department for Research Support (DRS-I) under Special Assistance Programme (SAP) from 2014.