



Two Days National Seminar on Tribal Development Policies in India: Gaps, Challenges and New Directions

18-19 Sept. 2026

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Objective of the Seminar

The seminar aims to critically examine the historical evolution, ideological foundations, and changing trajectories of tribal development policies in India, with a focus on understanding their impact on the socio-economic and cultural lives of tribal communities. It seeks to identify key gaps and challenges in policy formulation, implementation, and governance mechanisms that continue to hinder inclusive tribal development. The seminar will provide a platform to discuss contemporary issues affecting tribal populations, including displacement, migration, climate change, digital exclusion, and gender inequality. Special attention will be given to assessing the implementation, effectiveness, and limitations of landmark legislations such as the Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act (PESA), 1996, and the Forest Rights Act (FRA), 2006. The deliberations will explore alternative policy frameworks that promote sustainable and inclusive development while safeguarding tribal livelihoods, cultural heritage, and community autonomy. Furthermore, the seminar seeks to highlight the significance of indigenous knowledge systems, traditional institutions, and tribal movements in shaping development processes and policy interventions. By bringing together academicians, researchers, policymakers, practitioners, and community representatives, the seminar aims to contribute meaningfully to policy restructuring and evidence-based decision-making through academic dialogue, empirical research, and field-based insights for the holistic development and empowerment of tribal communities.

Sub-Themes of the Seminar

1. Constitutional safeguards, the Fifth Schedule, and tribal development
2. Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP): public finance, allocation, and expenditure effectiveness
3. PESA Act, 1996: grassroots democracy and self-governance in Scheduled Areas
4. Forest Rights Act, 2006: resource governance, community rights, and conflicts
5. Land alienation, displacement, and social impacts of development projects
6. Tribal livelihoods, local economies, and sustainable development models
7. Education, health, and contemporary issues in tribal human development
8. Gender, tribal women, and the intersectionality of development policies
9. Climate change, environmental crises, and tribal vulnerability
10. Digital governance, technology, and tribal inclusion
11. Tribal identity, culture, and indigenous knowledge systems
12. Civil society, NGOs, and tribal movements
13. Transition from welfare-oriented to rights-based development
14. Tribal research centres, data systems, and evidence-based policy-making

The themes do not adhere to the limit of the topic

Important Date

Last date for Registration and abstract Submission	31 August 2026
Last Date for Full Length Paper with Abstract	5 September 2026
Last Date for Full Paper Revise/Update	10 September 2026
Spot Registration	18-19 Sept. 2026
Seminar Date	18-19 Sept. 2026

PAPER FORMAT

- Title of the paper
- Author: Name, Designation, Contact Number, Email ID,
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- Abstract (300 Words)
- Keywords
- Introduction
- Literature Review/Background of study
- Data, Methods & Methodology
- Theorization/Conceptual Framework
- Result & Analysis
- Discussion
- Conclusion
- Additional Information (If any)
- References

GUIDELINES FOR PAPER WRITING

- Follow the Times New Roman (12-Font) for English with 1.5 spacing and Unicode for Hindi
- The script should only be in MS Word (Doc/Docx) file.
- Follow the APA 7 Edition style guide for referencing and citations.
- The full paper must be between 4000-5000 words, including all the references.
- A soft copy of the paper will be sent as an email attachment to sociology.au.icssr@gmail.com with a subject note on the paper's name.
- Particular attention should be given against the act of Plagiarism

Important Instruction

- All the selected research papers will be published in an edited book with reputed publisher.
- Participants will bear their travel cost. No TA will be provided; however, accommodation will be arranged for the out-station paper presenters, and the organizer will provide breakfast, lunch and dinner.



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