

National Seminar

on

Policy Initiatives and Their Impact on Development of Marathwada

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UGC CPEPA Centre in 'Rural Development in Backward Districts of Marathwada'

Collaborating Departments

Economics

Political Science

Sociology

Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University Aurangabad - 431 004 (M. S.) India

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About the University

On 23rd August, 1958, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the then Prime Minister of India, inaugurated the Marathwada University. On 14th January 1994, the University was renamed 'Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University' to pay homage to the work done by Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar for the educational development of Marathwada region. This University has been the premier educational institution catering to the needs of the Marathwada region .The objectives of the University are to create, preserve and disseminate knowledge through teaching, research and extension activities. Situated on about 700 acres of land, the University is adorned with scenic beauty and magnificent historicity.

At present Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathawada University has 42 Departments and more than 400 affiliate colleges catering to the needs of 1.45 lakh students. This University is educating the rural youth coming from socially and economically backward communities struggling for their career. It reflects the social commitment of our University. Equipped with highly sophisticated infrastructure and strong commitment to the promotion of excellence in higher education, the university is focusing on starting new professional courses to provide trained and skilled manpower to industry.

Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University has received national recognition. In survey of India Today on 5th August, 2015 University secured 18th rank among 800 universities in India and 3rd rank in western India. In the 2016 National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) survey by the ministry of human resource development (MHRD), New Delhi, our university ranked 87th in the country. In 'The Week-Hansa' research survey of best Universities in India in 2016, our University obtained 55th rank in India and 11th rank among top 20 universities in west Zone in India. The university got reaccreditated with A grade in 2019.

About the Centre with Potential for Excellence in Particular Area (CPEPA): "Rural Development in Backward Districts of Marathwada"

The University Grants Commission has approved status of Centre with Potential for Excellence in Particular Area (CPEPA) to Dr. Babasasheb Ambedkar Marathwada University. The main objective of the UGC's CPEPA scheme is to encourage and facilitate the chosen departments at the selected university to work together in a particular area by associating their faculty members to cooperate and collaborate in their programmes and activities on regular basis, cutting across departmental and discipline barriers. The university grants commission has sanctioned Rs. 2.50 crore for five years (2016-21) to establish the centre in "Rural Development in Backward Districts of Marathwada" at university campus. The centre organized National Seminar on "Confronting Development: Perspectives On Marathwada" in March, 2017.

About the Collaborating Departments:

Department of Economics:

Department of Economics is the first teaching and research departments that was established in the same year of the establishment of the University. Form beginning the Department attracted good number of students and the main source of attraction was the leadership provided by Dr. V. V. Borkar, the first Head of the Department of Economics. Dr. Borkar encouraged research activity in the department and also undertook certain research projects mainly relating to problems of regional development of Marathwada.

As the university got accredited with A grade in 2013 and as the department was awarded SAP DRS II, our department became eligible to apply for UGC's CPEPA Scheme. In 2016, the Department of Economics took the lead to seek the award of UGC's Centre with Potential for Excellence and was successful in getting recognized as Centre with Potential for Excellence in collaboration with the Department of Political Science and Department of Sociology.

Economics is one of the few departments on the campus of the University that has received generous grants under UGC University Leadership Programme (1982-88), UGC Special Assistance Programme (1987-92) in the first instance, UGC Special Assistance Programme (1992-97) in the second instance and again UGC Special Assistance Programme was sanctioned to the department in 2006-07 in the first phase and the second phase was sanctioned as SAP DRS II for the period 2013-18. The Department has now become eligible for UGC's Centre for advanced studies.

Department of Political Science:

The department was started in 1962. It offered a combined course of M A Political Science and Public Administration. However in 1992 it was bifurcated to create two separate departments of Political Science and Public Administration.

The goal of the department is to transmit the knowledge of the discipline by providing courses, characterized by academic excellence and social relevance. Courses are designed for students who exhibit serious interest in knowing the issues related to poltical science both at basic as well as advanced level. The idea is to produce the students who plan to undertake research in the discipline as well as those who intend to teach the subject to undergraduate and postgraduate students.

Besides having men of talent and academic excellence on its faculty, the the department has produced brilliant students who have occupied important positions in the academic and public life within the country and abroad. It was always played and been playing a pivotal role in imparting the advanced knowledge in political science to hordes of students often coming from the under-privileged and downtrodden segments of Marathwada region.

Department of Sociology:

The Department of Sociology was established in 1968-69 with three faculty members. The eminent Sociologist late Dr. M.G. Kulkarni, gave pioneering leadership to the department

upto 1983 from its inception. Well known sociologist and eminent social worker Dr. (Mrs) Sudha Kaldate gave further leadership to the department (1984-91). Both of them laid the sound academic foundation of the department and contributed to its academic achievement. The Department has the credit of establishing a state level professional body, "Marathi Samaj Sastra Parishad" in the year 1983.

About the Conference:

Policy Initiatives and Their Impact on Development of Marathwada

Public Policy is intended for carrying out three functions viz. Allocation and Distribution of resources and stabilization of economy, polity and society. However these initiatives in a federal set up are entrusted to the union government and are carried out with the help of fiscal and monetary policy.

The direction of policy initiatives decides the fate of a society. It is therefore relevant at this stage of Development of India, to find out the policy initiatives intended for development of backward region viz. Marathwada which was identified as the most backward region in India by the Sarma committee (1997).

In the words of Mao Zedong, "Any given culture (as an ideological form) is a reflection of politics and economics of a given society and the former in turn has tremendous influence and effect on the latter, economics is the base and politics the concentrated expression of economics".

It is therefore essential to break the walls between disciplines and come together for fruitful policy oriented deliberations on the interdisciplinary platform of the CPEPA centre of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad. A university creates knowledge and disseminates the same through seminars besides the process of teaching and learning. According to the hypothesis propounded by Brennan and Buchanan, Government is a revenue maximizing Leviathan. To make government work for equity while striking a balance between equity and efficiency, informed public opinion becomes necessary. In a democracy, the modern welfare state, on the other hand tends to adopt popular policies by increasing government expenditure. The modern idea of social democracy that evolved in Europe and was adopted in India which makes it ponderence over its application very important in terms of social cost vis-à-vis social benefit.

This national seminar is the fourth consecutive event under UGC CPEPA centre in Rural Development in Backward Districts of Marathwada aiming at the analysis of development process and the discontents of development experienced by the people in backward regions everywhere.

This conference aims at bringing together serious researchers to contribute to the deliberations with pinpointed focus on challenges to and the opportunities for development of Marathwada.

Sub- themes for discussion:

- Problems of Rural Development in Marathwada
- Human Development and Deprivation
- Socio-economic Inequalities and the Role of State
- Pharmaceutical Industry in Marathwada: Opportunities and Prospects
- Education, Health and Information as Merit Goods
- Inclusive Growth and Development
- Measures for Increasing Employment
- Panchayat Raj and Rural Development
- Work Culture and Industrial unrest
- Banking Sector in Marathwada
- Agro -Based Industry as Engine of Growth in Marathwada

Guidelines for Research Papers:

Research papers are invited on the above theme and sub-themes for the national seminar. Full paper should be in about 2500 words (typed in MS-word) including abstract (in 200 words), and references in Times New Roman font size 12 and line space 1.5. Title page should include title of paper, name of author(s) with affiliation and address for correspondence. Research paper should be should be sent as an e-mail attachment to: **cpepa2017@gmail.com** Research papers will be selected for publication on the basis of merit in terms of statement of research problem and sound methodological base with policy-oriented solutions. Papers submitted after last date will not be considered.

Important Dates:

Submission of abstract	10 December, 2019
Intimation of acceptance	13 December, 2019
Last date for Registration and Submission of full Paper	31 December, 2019
National Seminar	17-18 January, 2020

Registration:

Delegate Type	Registration Fee	Mode of Payment
International	\$100	By Cheque /Demand Draft/e-banking in favour
Delegates(Professionals)		of 'The Registrar, Dr. Babasaheb Amedkar
International Delegates(students)	\$50	Marathwada University, Aurangabad' or by cash
Indian Delegates	Rs.1,000/-	against receipt on the University Cash Counter
Research Scholars	Rs.700/-	Bank A/C No. 20060500140
Students	Rs.500/-	IFSC: MAHB0000152

How to Reach Aurangabad:

Aurangabad is well connected by Air and Railway to Mumbai, Hyderabad, and New Delhi. The university campus is located 18 km from Aurangabad airport. Aurangabad is well connected to various cities and towns across different states by road network. Various public as well as private transport agencies offer daily bus services to various destinations in Maharashtra and the neighboring states.

About Aurangabad:

'The city of Gates' Aurangabad is surrounded by many historical monuments including the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Ajanta and Ellora, Shirdi and Hazoor Sahib (Nanded). It is home to tourist attractions like Bibi-Ka-Maqbara, Panchakki, Aurangabad caves, Daulatabad Fort and Khultabad. The administrative headquarters of the Marathwada region, Aurangabad is titled 'The Tourism Capital of Maharashtra'. Though the city is heading towards rapid industrial growth yet it retains its past glory, charm, heritage and tradition.

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