

Two Day National Seminar in Department of History, Faculty of Social Sciences,
BHU: 6-7 March, 2018

Theme: Ideologies and Perspectives in Indian History

Day I

Inaugural Session: 10:30 am – 11:40 am

Welcome Address: 10-15 minutes

Keynote Address: 11:00 am – 11:40 am (Gandhi Scholar)

Tea: 11:40 am – 12:00 noon

First Technical Session: 12 noon – 2:00 pm (4-5 speakers and discussion)

Theme: Gandhian Ideology/Perspective/Praxis

Lunch (about ¹⁵⁰200 persons): 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Second Technical Session: 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm (4-5 speakers and discussion)

Theme: Ancient Period of History

[Note: Parallel session for research scholars]

Tea: 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Day II

Third Technical Session: 9:30 am – 11:30 am (4-5 speakers and discussion)

Theme: Medieval Period of Indian History

[Note: Parallel session for research scholars]

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Tea: 11:30 am – 11:45 am

Fourth Technical Session: 11:45 am – 1:45 pm (4-5 speakers and discussion)

Theme: Modern Period of Indian History

Lunch: 1:45 pm – 2:15 pm

Report Reading: 2:15 pm – 2:45 pm

Valedictory Session: 2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

Vote of Thanks: 3:45 pm – 4:00 pm

Tea: 4:00 pm – 4:15 pm

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Concept Note for National Seminar on "Ideologies and Perspectives in Indian History" (6th – 7th March, 2018)

The Department of History, Faculty of Social Sciences is organizing a two day National Seminar on the subject "Ideologies and Perspectives in Indian History".

The purpose of the seminar is two-fold; firstly there is a need to explore the various intellectual and cultural streams that have intermingled and overlapped over centuries in shaping the course of Indian History from ancient times to the modern period. Secondly, there are many debates around the writing of Indian History, the interpretation of concepts like "nation" and "nationalism" and the concepts of "inclusion" and "exclusion" with reference to the envisioning of nationality in India.

Perspectives are also very important in the context of Indian History, they may be on a local, regional or national scale and may reflect perceptions and attitudes towards particular events, incidents or developments.

History is an amalgam of the record of ^{material}~~national~~ progress of mankind and the related intellectual and cultural developments. Memories, emotions, mythologies are as important as hard historical data and hence the two together form the pith and marrow of our past. The seminar hopes to cover some part of this great historical process.

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