



Call for Paper

NATIONAL SEMINAR

ON

"GENDER NORMS AND GENDER EQUALITY"

(NSGNCE)

February 6th to 8th, 2018

Venue: Pt Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur(CG).

Jointly Organized By

Centre For Women Studies

Pt.Ravishankar Shukla University,Raipur (CG).

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Oxfam India

THE SEMINAR

Gender norms are the “social norms that relate specifically to gender differences...[or] refer to informal rules and share social expectations that distinguish expected behaviour on the basis of gender. They are about gender roles and power relations. This norm would form the root cause for gender discrimination and the existing gender inequality in society. An example of a negative gender norm is a community or reference group could be that people value the contributions of men and boys more than those of women and girls. This is a descriptive gender norm. An injunctive gender norm would be women and girls should be subservient to the needs or desires of men and boys.

Social norms that perpetuate VAWG (Violence Against Women and Girls) are norms that normalize violence within a specific reference group or community. A descriptive social norm would be that it is common for women to experience violence in intimate relationships or it is typical for men to hit their wives for not doing the housework well. An example of an injunctive norm here would be that violence in the home or in a relationship should be treated as a private affair. A common link in this kind of social norms underpinning VAWG is the association of masculinity as a justification of violence.

Oxfam India has launched a campaign ‘BanoNayiSoch’ in November 2016 promoting positive social norms underpinning domestic violence and thereby creating an enabling environment addressing violence against women and girls. In this context Oxfam India in collaboration with Centre For Women Studies, Pt.Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur is hosting three days National Seminar in Raipur **on 6th to 8th February, 2018** on the theme ‘Gender Norms and Gender Equality’.

THE HOSTS-

Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University is Chhattisgarh's largest and oldest institution of higher education, founded in 1964, and named after the first chief minister of erstwhile Madhya Pradesh. The University has a sprawling campus, spread in 207 acres of land in the western part of the capital of Chhattisgarh, Raipur and plays a major role in the educational, cultural and economic life of the region.

The Centre for women studies was set up in the year 2001. With an aim to translate the component of women empowerment, the centre is designed to act as a catalyst for promoting and strengthening women's studies through teaching, research curriculum, field and extension work, training and continuing education etc.

Oxfam India is a member of global confederation of 20 Oxfams with a history of more than 75 years of operations in India and its first operation in India was started in Bihar in 1951. The Oxfams are rights-based organisations that fight poverty and injustice by linking grassroots programming (through partner NGOs) to local, national and global advocacy and policy in four critical thematic areas of intervention- Economic Justice, Essential Services, Gender Justice and Humanitarian Response and Disaster Risk Reduction.

Within the Gender Justice work, Oxfam India focuses on reducing violence against women and girls. Reduction of violence against women and girl will create an enabling environment for them to lead a dignified life. Oxfam India associates with national and global campaigns to take forward this issue.

THE CITY OF RAIPUR

Raipur, the capital of Chhattisgarh is the administrative, educational, business and industrial seat of the region. In its immediate neighbourhood lies the steel city of Bhilai, where one of Asia's largest steel plants is located. The climate of Raipur is pleasant in February and light woollen clothing will suffice. The city is located about 300 kms from Nagpur in the East on the Mumbai - Kolkata trunk line and is well connected with many major cities of India by air, rail and road. There are various places of tourist interest worth visiting.

CALL FOR PAPERS

A 300-500word abstract with a covering letter should sent to cwsprsurapur@yahoo.in The subject line for submission should be "Abstract of Paper-National Seminar". The abstract should outline the main research questions, conceptual framework, methodology and empirical base of the paper.

- **The last date for submission of abstract (300-500 words) is 10th January, 2018**

The abstract acceptance will be communicated to the scholars in a week.

- **The last date for submission complete paper (5000-6000 words) is 30th January 2018**

The paper should not be published earlier in any form. The organising committee will revert on the selected papers in a week. The authors of selected papers will be invited for presentation of their paper during the three day national seminar.

SUB-THEMES OF THE SEMINAR

Themes:-

Day I Session theme - Social norms underpinning domestic violence

Sub-themes

- Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act – implementation and challenges
- Social norms underpinning domestic violence and indigenous communities
- Social norms underpinning domestic violence and Muslims
- Social norms underpinning domestic violence and the Dalits

Day II: Session 2: Role of visual media in reinforcing social and gender norms.

Sub themes

- Manifestation of gender norms in regional/Bollywood films
- Manifestation of gender norms in television soaps
- Manifestation of gender norms in advertisements

Day II: Session 3: Manifestation of gender norms in campus

Sub themes

- Role/representation of girls/women in university/college elections
- Manifestation of gender norms in cultural activities, sports etc.

Day III: Session 4: Sexual harassment in Workplace

Sub themes

- Awareness, opinions and attitudes towards workplace sexual harassment.
- Status on implementation of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 – Challenges and achievements

Day III: Session 5: Women and Disability

Sub themes

- Achievements and Challenges faced by women victims of Acid attack
- Gender and disability issues

REGISTRATION FEE

| Category | Fees Structure (INR). |
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| Students/Research scholars | 500=00/600=00 |
| Teachers (including PRSU & Affiliated Colleges) | 1000=00 |
| Professionals | 1500=00 |

All payments should be made by Demand Draft in favour of “NSGNGE” payable at SBI, Pt R.S. University Branch, Raipur. It includes registration kit, breakfast, lunch, dinner during symposium period, tea/coffee during session breaks and invitation to cultural programme and conference banquet. No abstract will be entertained without registration fees.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodations in Hotels / Guest Houses will be arranged on prior intimation and advance payment. The tariff will range from Rs. 500/-to Rs. 3000/

ORGANIZING SECRETARY

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REGISTRATION FORM

(Call for paper on Gender norms and Gender Equality Date)

(A) Personal Details

Name:

Designation:

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Date of Birth Gender : M / F /T

Mobile No: Fax:

Email ID:

Preference : Oral / Poster

Title of the paper:

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Author (s) :

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Accommodation requirement: Yes / No

Particulars of Accompanying Person (S)

1. Name/Age/Gender :

2. Name/ Age/Gender :

Details of Demand Draft:

DD No. : Date : Amount :

Date /Place :

Signature

Please complete and return this form along with the Demand Draft towards Registration/ Accommodation fees to the Organizing Secretary, latest by January 20, 2018.

Seminar dates are subject to last-minute change, but should remain in the second half of 2nd to 3rd week of February 2018.