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Invitation

The Seminar's organizing committee with immense pleasure invites you to participate in National Seminar on "Significance of Archaeology in Social Sciences" on March 18-19, 2017 at Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology, Jiwaji University, Gwalior. The event will consist of lecture, panel discussion and paper presentation etc.

About Jiwaji University

Accredited "A" Grade University that came into existence on May 23, 1964. Late Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, the then president of India, laid the foundation stone on 11th December 1964 in sprawling campus at Naulakha Parade ground. The motto of the University is embedded in its logo "Vidyaya Prapyate Tejah" The territorial jurisdiction of the University is spread over the districts of Gwalior, Bhind, Morena, Sheopur Kalan, Datia, Shivpuri, Guna and Ashoknagar. In the beginning, the University had 25 affiliated colleges but today over 400 government, aided and private colleges are under its jurisdiction.

About Gwalior

Gwalior is a historical city and there are several world famous tourist monuments like Gwalior Fort, Chaturbhuj Temple, Teli Temple, Batesara (Temple Valley), Naresara, Suhaniya (Capital of the Kacchapaghats), Padhawali, Mitawali (Yogini Temple), Surwaya (Sarswati Pattan), Shivpuri, Datia, Bhind, Behat (Birth place of Tansen), Gous Tomb etc. with good travel links from here. The organizers are trying to ensure your visit and stay at Gwalior a rewarding experience. We are certain your participation will contribute in achieving the objectives of the event.

About Department

School of Studies in Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology was established in 1969 under the leadership of Prof. R. N. Tignath. Afterwards Prof. B. B. Lal and Prof. S. D. Sharma lead the department. Prof. R. N. Mishra remained

as head for a very long time and developed the department in many fold. The department conducted archaeological excavations at Gupteshwar, Jaderua, Sooron and latest excavation at Kosan (Ater, Dist. Bhind) nearby Gwalior. At present this department is running various courses, like M.A. and M.Phil, P.G. Diploma in Museology and MBA in Heritage Tourism Management. Many Students of this department are highly placed in the Universities and colleges, department of archaeology in many states, Archaeological Survey of India, National Museums, other Govt. departments and in Private sector.

Call for Papers

Original research papers (not exceeding 3000 words) in Hindi or English are invited on theme of Seminar and related issues. Papers must have a 500 words abstract followed by e-mail to:

jusisodia@gmail.com, lalleshkumar8@gmail.com

Abstract must be accompanied by author's full details - Name and title, mailing address, e-mail address, etc.

Last date of receipt of abstracts along with registration form is March 10, 2017.

Confirmation concerning the status of the abstract will be sent by e-mail. After being reviewed by the committee. The official language of Seminar shall be English/Hindi

A Souvenir and abstracts book of contributed papers may be published on the occasion.

About the Seminar

Archaeology is a magical gateway to the past. It is the discipline that complements history best with its evidences and methodological advances. The discipline of archaeology studies human cultures and passed through recovery and interpretation of architectures, artefacts, biofacts, and landscapes. Archaeology seeks to determine the chronology of human development, unearth the cultural history of various human settlements, fills the lacunae of history with material evidences, understands the process that underline the changes taken place in human societies across

cultures. It has the unique capability of stretching back to the remotest areas of human existence and drawing hitherto unknown out of the darkness of the time. It deals with intangible relics and therefore it can claim credibility that no other human science can. The role of archaeology here becomes crucial. It can contribute immensely by revealing cultural ways and artefacts that can help in identification of historical incorrect views and understandings. Archaeology can be readily included in a comprehensive curriculum for social sciences, history, mathematics, environmental studies, and art. It touches the entire spectrum of human behavior and so inspires a new-ending series of questions. With the invention of new means and methods archaeology plays an important role with more accurate and sophisticated as it played before. Whilst new methodological innovations and multiscale archaeological studies have produced wast new knowledge around the world, which resulted in long term changes in human societies. As for the social sciences, we lament not generating the kinds of theories that processualists once promised. Nonetheless, the so-called 'material culture turn' in the social science and humanities is benefiting greatly from archaeological publications as well from the works of turncoat archaeologists and communication have begun to inform discussions in several social science disciplines. Therefore the very aim of the seminar is to debate and discuss the significance of the same.

- Recent trends and developments in archaeology.
- 2. Relationship of archaeology with social sciences.
- 3. Archaeology as a tool of new knowledge.
- 4. Relationship of archaeology with natural sciences.
- 5. Contribution of archaeology to the tourism of India.
- 6. Other related streams are also welcomed.....

The paper will be selected for the "Best paper awards" for each technical session and paper with original research result can be considered for the best paper category. The session committee will be decided and select the best paper.