





Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Solapur University, Solapur, Maharashtra.

National Conference on Viksit Bharat@2047: A Pathway to Sustainable Development



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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

As India approaches the milestone of 100 years of independence in 2047, the nation envisions a Viksit Bharat- a developed India that reflects comprehensive progress across social, economic, and environmental dimensions. This vision aligns with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and seeks to tackle some of the country's most critical challenges, such as eradicating poverty, improving quality of life, ensuring environmental sustainability, and promoting inclusive economic growth. The aspiration for Viksit Bharat is not merely an economic goal but a holistic transformation that integrates rural and urban development, with a special focus on empowering marginalized communities and fostering socio-economic resilience. The National Conference on Viksit Bharat@2047: A Pathway to Sustainable Development aims to create a strategic policy roadmap for India's journey towards this vision and bring together different stakeholders from academics, policymakers, civil society, and the private sector. This multidisciplinary conference will serve as a platform for critical reflection and dialogue on how India can align its long-term development initiatives, such as Atmanirbhar Bharat (self-reliant India), green energy transitions, and educational reforms with the all-encompassing goal of sustainable development. The conference will emphasize on the need to empower rural populations, address social inequalities, and ensure climate-resilient technologies & sustainable livelihood to create a more inclusive economy.

Key themes of the conference will include fostering economic growth that bridges the rural-urban divide, promoting sustainability in agriculture, and addressing environmental challenges through green energy solutions. The discussions will also focus on educational transformation and skill development, particularly for marginalized communities, to ensure that India's developmental journey is all-inclusive. The event will culminate in a set of actionable recommendations and strategies that contribute towards achieving the Viksit Bharat vision by 2047, with a focus on equitable social and economic growth, environmental sustainability, and the empowerment of all communities. This conference is designed to advance India's developmental trajectory by fostering collaboration between different stakeholders, ensuring that the roadmap for 2047 is inclusive, sustainable, and aligned with national and global development goals. Through critical discussions, it will aim to shape the future policies and strategies that will guide India towards becoming a developed nation by 2047.

THEMES AND SUB-THEMES

1. Rural Livelihoods, Climate Resilient Agriculture and Economic Sustainability

- •Strategies for sustainable income generation
- •Rural entrepreneurship and small-scale industries
- •Microfinance and Livelihood Support
- •Creative & Cultural Industries and Livelihood
- •Digital entrepreneurship and e-commerce
- •Climate-resilient agricultural practices.
- •Institutions & technologies for Sustainable Agriculture
- •Rural Agricultural Banking.
- •Organic agriculture farming in India
- •Gig economy and informal Labour
- •Manufacturing and Indian Economic Growth
- •Exim policy and Indian Industries
- •India's Participation in the Global Value Chain
- •Financial Inclusion, Service sector, and Employment.

2. Education, Social Inclusion and Gender Equality

- •Role of NEP 2020 in sustainable development
- •Education, Employment & Inclusive Growth
- •Skill formation and Entrepreneurial development.
- •Mental Health and wellbeing of Youth
- •Empowering marginalized communities, Scheduled Tribes, and specially-abled for inclusive development.
- •Reducing inequalities through better education, health-care, and social welfare policies.
- •Gender-inclusive livelihood programs
- •Gender equality and women in the workforce
- •Digitalisation and Women's work
- •Human Rights and Sustainable Development

3. Infrastructure, Industry & Innovation for Sustainable Development

- •Developing smart cities with green infrastructure, renewable energy, and efficient waste management.
- Public-private partnerships in building sustainable transport, housing, and energy systems.
- Promoting research and development of clean and green technologies.
- Partnerships between government, private sector, and civil society for sustainable innovations.
- •Role of Cultural Heritage, Archaeology, Folk Arts and Tourism in Sustainable development
- •Cultural heritage preservation and cultural tourism

4. Sustainable Water Management

- •Ensuring equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water.
- •Sustainable water management, rainwater harvesting, and water conservation strategies.
- •Tackling sanitation issues in rural and urban India.
- •Government Programs and Policies for Sustainable water management

5. Governance, Media, and Policies for Sustainable Development

- •India's role in global sustainability efforts
- •Participation in international climate and environmental agreements and treaties.
- •Strengthening institutions for the rule of law, good governance, and sustainable development.
- •Role of Media in Sustainable Development
- •Government policies and Programs for Sustainable Development
- •Role of Make in India, Digital India, and Skill India in Viksit Bharat

PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Papers are invited on the various themes and sub-themes, exclusively thematic papers/ empirical, working papers, research papers, review papers, policy papers, concept papers, case studies, success stories from UG and PG students, research scholars, academicians, industry experts for oral presentations in each of the thematic areas.
- •The abstracts should be in editable MS Word format, Times New Roman, font size 12, 1.5 line spacing and should not exceed 300 words. The full papers must not exceed a maximum of 2500-4000 words, 30 references.
- •The research papers shall preferably be in the standard research format, spelling out the need for the study, objectives of the study, hypothesis, if any, methodology, techniques of data analysis, findings/ results, conclusion, references and statistical tables, in that
- •Acceptance of the abstract will be intimated through email only. The authors of the abstracts accepted for oral presentation will have to submit their full papers.
- •The abstract (300 words) and full paper (2500-4000 words) should be submitted by email to ncviksitbharat2024@gmail.com
- All full papers accepted for the conference will be published in the edited book (with ISBN).

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date for submision of abstract : 25/01/2025 Acceptance to be communicated 27/01/2025 Submission of Full Paper 05/02/2025 Last Date of Registration 10/02/2025



Registration Link:

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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Solapur University is a State University, formerly known as Solapur University, was established in the year 2004 by the Government of Maharashtra under the Maharashtra Public Universities Act 2016. The university is named in the honour of the legendary Maratha queen Ahilyadevi Holkar, that reflects her values of social justice, empowerment, and inclusive education. Since its establishment, the university has played a significant role in promoting higher education in the region, offering a wide range of academic programs across disciplines such as Sciences, Humanities and Social sciences. The university has eleven schools and fourty-two departments. As a premier institution of higher learning in Maharashtra, it offers undergraduate, postgraduate, and Ph.D. programs. The university campus spans across 482 acres of greenery and is located 10 km away from Solapur city.

ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

The School of Social Sciences serves as a multi-disciplinary school comprising eight departments: the Department of Rural Development, Department of Economics, Department of Psychology, Department of History, Department of Mass Communication & B-voc (Mass Communication), Department of Political Science, Department of Public Administration, and the Department of Archaeology and Museology. Together, these departments contribute significantly to the holistic academic development of students while addressing key issues related to societal progress and nation-building. The school aims to foster interdisciplinary research and teaching that address social, economic, and political challenges. Through active engagement in teaching, research initiatives and collaborations with various stakeholders, including government agencies, NGOs, and international organizations, the faculty and students work on community-based projects that aim to create a positive social impact.

REGISTRATION FEES

Category of Participants	Registration fees
UG and PG Students	200₹
Research Scholars	600₹
Faculty, Academicians and Professionals	800₹

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