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ABOUT NATIONAL CONFERENCE

No doubt, India is one of the fastest growing economies in the world, but the problems of exclusion, poverty, unemployment, inequalities in access to credit, health care and education, and poor performance of the agriculture sector have not been addressed appropriately by the centre and state governments. Agriculture not only contributes to overall growth of the economy, but also provides employment opportunities and food security to a majority of the population in rural areas. In the recent times, agricultural sector is in deep crisis and its manifestations can be seen as unviability of agriculture, stagnation in agricultural production and dwindling opportunities of livelihood, increasing debt and suicides by farmers and agricultural labourers etc.

In this context, the paper writers can focus on the following sub-themes:

- ❖ Agrarian Crisis and Its Manifestations
- Land and Livestock Holdings in Rural India
- ❖ An Unfinished Agenda of Agrarian Reforms
- Unviability of Agriculture, Stagnation in Agricultural Production and Dwindling Opportunities of Livelihood
- Unemployment, Poverty and Debt among Rural Households
- Dimensions of Farmers and Agricultural Labourers' Suicides
- ❖ Implementation and Impact of MGNREGS
- Relevance of Non-Farm Sector and Non-Farm Employment in Rural Areas
- Punjab Agrarian Economy: Issues, Challenges and Possible Solutions

PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The length of the paper should not exceed 15 pages including abstract, tables and figures (Font - New Times Roman, Font Size- 12 Point, Line Space- 1.5). Kindly use latest APA guidelines for paper writing. The language and spellings used should be British (U.K.). The papers will be reviewed by a panel of experts and selected papers will be published. Kindly submit your paper via email and the authors are requested to communicate all queries regarding the Conference Convenor papers Singh Dr. Sarbjeet (+91-8427202661)

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- **Paper Submission:** January 25,2020
- Notice of Acceptance: January 30, 2020
- * Registration Form Submission: February 05, 2020

REGISTRATION FEE:

- **Per Person:** Rs. 1200/- (with Accommodation on Sharing Basis).
- **Per Person:** Rs. 800/- (without Accommodation).
- **Accompanying Person:** Rs. 800/-
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