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First Circular

National Seminar on

**Climate Change, Economy and Health: Resilience and
Adaptation for Sustainable Development of Viksit Bharat @2047**

(February 12-13, 2026)

Deadline for Early Bird Registration is extended to 31st January 2026

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About the Seminar

In the 21st century, climate change has emerged as a profound challenge to sustainable development, intersecting with economic stability and public health. Increasingly frequent and severe extreme weather events such as heatwaves, floods, droughts, and cyclones are exposing the vulnerabilities of traditional development models, threatening economic productivity, food security, health systems, and long-term human well-being. India, with its vast population and diverse geography, stands at the frontline of this crisis. The country's socio-economic complexity, heavy reliance on climate-sensitive sectors, and rising temperatures have led to widespread heat-related illnesses, the spread of vector-borne diseases, and agricultural disruptions. These challenges are driving significant economic losses, rising healthcare costs, and deepening regional inequalities.

In 2022, India lost 191 billion labour hours due to heat stress, and in 2023, heatwaves caused economic losses of USD 159 billion, equivalent to 5.9% of the national GDP. Despite economic growth, with per capita income rising to ₹1.14 lakh in FY 2024-25, much of this prosperity remains uneven, particularly in rural areas. The agriculture sector, already vulnerable to erratic rainfall and extreme temperatures, faces increased financial strain. Furthermore, water scarcity, particularly in rural regions, remains a critical issue, with both droughts and floods threatening the sources of drinking water and irrigation.

The manufacturing sector is similarly affected, with stagnation driven by climate uncertainty, rising input costs, and the disruptions caused by the early onset of the monsoon season. The Reserve Bank of India has recognized climate-related risks in its Financial Stability Report, but outdated methodologies still dominate production-side assessments. Urban and rural infrastructure suffers repeated damage from seasonal flooding and erosion, resulting in significant development losses each year. Climate change is also exacerbating public health challenges in India. The geographic spread and seasonal duration of disease vectors like mosquitoes are expanding, leading to higher incidences of vector-borne diseases such as malaria and dengue. Additionally, mental health issues related to climate-induced displacement and uncertainty are on the rise, further straining healthcare systems.

At this critical juncture, a coordinated approach involving scientists, policymakers, and stakeholders is essential. Resilience and adaptation must become central to India's development strategy. A systematic shift that integrates climate change considerations into economic planning, health policy, and infrastructure development is necessary to safeguard growth and improve quality of life for all citizens.

Sub Themes (Technical Sessions)

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| ➤ Indian Geography: The Emerging Vistas | ➤ Disease prevalence: Risks and Public Health System Preparedness |
| ➤ Climate Change, Bio-diversity and Environmental Challenges | ➤ Water security in changing climate |
| ➤ India in the New Global Context | ➤ Geopolitics, conflict resolution and peace building |
| ➤ People, Resources and Development | ➤ Social and cultural development: new approaches and dimensions |
| ➤ Urban climate resilience: Society, Economy and development | ➤ Geography education in the contemporary era |
| ➤ Rural livelihood: adaptation, challenges, and resilience | ➤ Geospatial technologies in geographical research and planning |
| ➤ Agriculture under changing climatic scenario | |

Submission of Abstract and Full Paper

We invite academicians, researchers, professionals and policy makers to participate in the Seminar to present and share their original and unpublished thoughts and researches on the sub-themes of the seminar. Participants are requested to register through below given Google form link or QR Code and upload the abstract along with registration fee details latest by **January 31, 2026**. Participants are requested to preferably submit only one abstract of paper to the Seminar. Abstracts should not exceed 250 words and a maximum of five keywords. Abstract should carry the title of the paper (preferably within 15 words), name of the author(s) with designation and affiliation mentioning the corresponding address and e-mail. Abstract should include the major objectives, methodology, findings and keywords. ***Abstracts without registration fee will not be accepted and printed in the Abstract Souvenir.*** Participants may also send their full papers to the Convener through e-mail: sagareogseminar2026@dhsgsu.edu.in by **January 31, 2026**. Selected papers will be published in the proceeding in the form of a book. The certificate will be issued to only registered participants who are the author(s) mentioned in any abstract.

Registration Fees (INR)

Registration Deadlines		Faculty	Research Scholar/Students	In-House Research Scholar/Students
Early Bird Registration (Before 31 January)	With Accommodation	₹4100	₹3100	NA
	Without Accommodation	₹2100	₹1600	₹1200
Late Registration (After 31 January)	With Accommodation	₹4900	₹3700	NA
	Without Accommodation	₹2900	₹2200	₹1800
Accompanying person	With Accommodation	₹3300	₹2300	NA

Bank Details for Payment

Registration fee is to be deposited directly to the Seminar account through online banking using following account details and UPI ID and QR Code:



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About the Accommodation

Accommodation will be arranged in University Guest House, Hotels and Hostels which will be provided on sharing basis only to those delegates and participants who register and pay the respective fees. You may contact to Coordinator, Accommodation Committee and the team on given numbers for more details.

About the Venue: Sagar City

The city of Sagar (23° 50' N & 78° 44' E) situated on the eastern margin of Malwa plateau and on a spur of the Vindhyan range, 536 meters from MSL. Sagar has a picturesque site with a large lake and several hills in and around. It is the headquarters of Commissioner with a population of about 3 lakh. It was one of the oldest towns of the country founded by *Udenschah* in 1660. Sagar has hot summers and cool winters. Sagar is situated in the famous wheat belt of the state, and this area is known for the production of wheat, pulses and oilseeds in the country. Sagar is well connected with important cities of the country. There are direct trains from Sagar to Delhi, Agra, Jaipur, Ajmer, Mumbai, Kolkata, Jammu, Vadodara, Ahmedabad, Bhubaneswar, Visakhapatnam, Haridwar, Patna, Amritsar, etc. Moreover, Sagar city is located on the Bina - Katni section of West Central Railway, Bina is 75 kms and Katni is 188 kms from Sagar. The famous tourist places *Khajuraho*, *Sanchi* and *Bhedaghat* waterfall (Marble rocks) are located near Sagar. Sagar is one of the hundred cities under India's Smart Cities Mission.

Tourist Places near Sagar: Culture, Nature and Heritage

Sanchi



Bhedaghat



Khajuraho



About the University



The university is situated on a picturesque landscape with lush green forest surrounded campus, located on *Patharia* hillocks and spread over an area of 1318 acres. It is the oldest and largest university of Madhya Pradesh founded by Dr. Hari Singh Gour in 1946 by the sole initiative and great donation of his own property. He was a great legal luminary, an educationist and founder Vice Chancellor of this University. Dr. Hari Singh Gour was the first Vice Chancellor of Delhi University and later he became Vice Chancellor of Nagpur University. The University was later named after him in 1983 and in the year 2009 it was promulgated as a Central University by an act of the Parliament. The university was accredited by NAAC and earned **Grade – A+** in 4th cycle (2023).



The University has the largest library in central India which has about 4 lakhs books, over 3700 e-journals, on-line databases and linked to National Digital Library with an access to more than 12 million articles and books. This university comprises 39 departments working under the umbrella of 11 schools. About 6500 students are studying in the campus under NEP. The university has four hostels for boys (1200 students) and three for girls (700 students), three teachers' hostels and about 200 quarters (B and C types) for university teachers. The university has 345 teaching positions and currently there are about 283 meritorious and experienced faculty members having sound academic training from national and international institutions along with about 1250 non-teaching employees.



The university has produced eminent academicians, scientists, Vice Chancellors, administrators, secretaries and officers in State and Central Governments. Recently SCOPUS survey of Department of Science and Technology (DST), New Delhi has ranked this university 30th among 450 universities and it has acquired 5th rank in terms of overall growth during last five years in the country (*Current Science*, 2017).

About the Department

Teaching of geography in the university was started in 1953 at Postgraduate level with the foundation of Department of Anthropogeography by Prof. Mackim, a Visiting Fellow from USA. In the beginning two subjects, i.e. Anthropology and Geography were taught in this department. Teaching of geography at undergraduate level was started in 1956. An independent Department of Geography was started by Prof. S. M. Ali as Head on 15th July 1957.

The eminent geographers namely Prof. G. R. Gayer, Prof. N. P. Ayyar, Prof. V. C. Mishra gloried the department with their great contribution. Later Prof. R.S. Dubey, Prof. J. L. Jain, Prof. S. K. Sharma, Prof. S. K. Shukla, Prof. R. P. Mishra, Prof. P. Soni and Prof. C. K. Jain also served the department as head. The department has produced many eminent academicians, scientists, administrators, secretaries and officers in State and Central Governments. Department also has a Population Research Centre (PRC), governed by the



Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India, New Delhi. It is one of the 18 PRCs of the country and covers MP and Chhattisgarh states. The department is now under DST FIST Phase I. The department has Remote Sensing and GIS Lab and possesses all advanced instruments for teaching and research. The department is having meritorious, experienced and devoted faculty which consists of two Professors and eight Assistant Professors. The department offers UG, PG and Doctoral Programmes in geography.

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Note:

1. Registration is mandatory for all the participants.
2. Accommodation will be provided for only three nights (11th, 12th and 13th February 2026) to only those who register with accommodation.
3. Participants will take local transport to their own to reach to the place of accommodation and Seminar Venue.