



NATIONAL SEMINAR

ON

**TOWARDS VIKSIT BHARAT 2047:
INTEGRATING WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT,
AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, AND
THE INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM**

18th & 19th September, 2026

ORGANIZED BY

**Department of Economics,
Debraj Roy College (Autonomous)**

Venue

**Debraj Roy College (Autonomous),
Golaghat-785621(Assam)**

Debraj Roy College (Autonomous) Golaghat, Assam

Invitation

About the Seminar

India's vision of becoming a developed nation by 2047—Viksit Bharat—requires a multidimensional development approach that is inclusive, sustainable, and rooted in indigenous strengths. As India transitions through its Amrit Kaal i.e. the 25-year to 100 years of independence, economic growth must be harmonized with social equity and ecological balance. Here, women's empowerment, agricultural transformation, and rural development serve as the foundational pillars of this vision. Currently, women contribute to more than half of the agricultural labor in India, yet their ownership of land and access to technological extension services remain disproportionately low. Simultaneously, rapid climate change and resource depletion necessitate a shift away from ecologically taxing agricultural models. Here, the Indian Knowledge System (IKS) offers time-tested, epistemological insights into sustainable agriculture, decentralized community governance, holistic health, and social harmony. This seminar aims to bridge the gap between ancient indigenous knowledge and modern policy imperatives. By bringing together academicians, policymakers, practitioners, and civil society actors, the event will explore how integrating these distinct yet overlapping domains can accelerate India's development trajectory toward a self-reliant and equitable future.

Themes and Sub-Themes for Call for Papers

We invite original research papers, case studies, and conceptual articles aligned with the following thematic areas:

Women's Empowerment & Rural Inclusion: Agrarian labour and gender equality, Financial literacy and digital banking awareness, Women entrepreneurship and self-help groups (SHGs), Health, nutrition, and maternal care in rural areas, Leadership in grassroots governance (PRIs), Skill development and employment generation for rural women, Gender budgeting and inclusive development, Education and digital literacy among rural women, Migration, labour rights, and social security, Role of NGOs and cooperatives in rural inclusion

Sustainable Agriculture & Climate Resilience

Organic and natural farming practices, Precision agriculture and smart farming technologies, Climate adaptation and disaster management, Water conservation and irrigation management, Soil health and sustainable land use, Agroforestry and biodiversity conservation, Renewable energy in agriculture, Food security and sustainable supply chains, Crop diversification and sustainable livelihoods, Role of government policies in climate-resilient agriculture

Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) & Well-being

Traditional farming methods and indigenous practices, AYUSH and holistic healthcare systems, Yoga, meditation, and mental well-being, Ethnobotany and medicinal plants, Indigenous ecological knowledge and sustainability, Sanskrit texts and scientific knowledge traditions, Folk traditions, festivals, and rural life, Traditional water management systems, Moral values and ethics in Indian philosophy, IKS in modern education and sustainable development.

Rural Infrastructure & Inclusive Growth

Rural transportation and connectivity, Digital India and rural e-governance, Rural electrification and renewable energy access, Supply chains and agricultural marketing, Non-farm livelihoods and rural industries, Financial inclusion and rural banking, Smart villages and sustainable rural planning, Housing, sanitation, and public health infrastructure, Cooperative movements and rural entrepreneurship, Public policy and equitable resource distribution

Literature, Culture, & Nature

Agrarian struggles in Assamese and Indian literature, Gender voices and feminist perspectives in rural writings, Eco-criticism and environmental consciousness, Folk literature and oral traditions, Nature and spirituality in Indian literary traditions, Tribal literature and indigenous identity, Climate change narratives in contemporary literature, Cultural heritage and sustainable lifestyles, Representation of rural life in modern literature, Literature as a tool for social transformation

Society, Policy, & Ancient Thought

Indigenous governance and traditional institutions, Ancient Indian socio-political systems, Gandhian philosophy and rural reconstruction, Kautilya's economic thought and governance, Panchayati Raj and democratic decentralization, Social justice and inclusive public policy, Ethics, dharma, and sustainable governance, Rural development policies in contemporary India, Ancient education systems and knowledge transmission, Role of cultural values in shaping Viksit Bharat 2047

Submission Guidelines:

- Abstract word limit: 300 words.
- Full paper word limit: 3000-5000 words.
- Submission Deadline for Abstracts:
12/09/2026

Email submissions to: drcecoglt@gmail.com

Registration Fees:

- **Academics/Professionals: ₹700**
- **Research Scholars: ₹500**
- **Students: ₹300**

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Selected papers will be published in the seminar proceeding.





About the College

Debraj Roy College (Autonomous), established in 1949. It was the first college in the district and was initially affiliated with Gauhati University before transitioning to Dibrugarh University in 1965. The college offers UG and P.G. degree in science and humanities, serving around 2700 students. It has been celebrating its Platinum Jubilee Year in 2024-2025. Recognized for academic excellence, it was accredited by NAAC with an "A" Grade in 2023 (3rd Cycle).

About The Department

In 1958–1959, the Department of Economics was established. Major classes began in the academic years 1960–1961. Since then many teachers have been appointed and some of them are now retired. Among these retired educators, the department benefited greatly from the contributions of the late P. R. Neog, Mr. C. K. Gogoi, Mr. K. Saikia and Mr. B. Saikia, Mr. Sabera Khanam, and Ms. Loni Phukan. In 2022, the Department of Economics began offering postgraduate courses associated with Dibrugarh University. In 2024, the department launched its first batch of autonomous postgraduate courses. The department publishes multiple publications and its peer-reviewed journal, "Eco-Centric," and routinely hosts seminars and workshop group discussions. Additionally, the department provides a number of diploma courses like Retail Management, NGO Management, Application of Computer in Economics etc.

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