

Call For Papers

Original and unpublished research papers, surveys, reviews, case studies, and field-based studies related to the seminar theme and sub-themes are invited from academicians, researchers, practitioners, and students.

Sub-theme 1: Environment, Ecology and Natural Resources

- Forest resources and ecosystem services
- Tourism and nature-based tourism
- Timber and non-timber forest products
- Wild animals, habitats, and human-animal conflicts
- Transport networks (e.g., rail/road) and their impact on wildlife corridors
- River systems and water resources
- Sand and stone quarrying; extraction industries
- Environmental conservation
- Anthropocentric and non-anthropocentric perspectives

Sub-theme 2: Agriculture, Plantations and Rural Economy

- Traditional agriculture: paddy, jute, vegetables, corn, etc.
- Plantation economies and development
- Labour, livelihoods, and migration/outmigration
- Livelihood vulnerabilities and associated risks (including trafficking)
- Rural economic conditions and transformation

Sub-theme 3: Society, Communities and Culture

- Indigenous communities and their socio-cultural life
- People, language, and cultural identity
- Folk music, dance, and performative arts
- Traditional knowledge systems
- Gender and environment
- Social movements and community activities

Sub-theme 4: Literature, History and Education

- Writers of specific regions and their literary works
- Colonial legacy and post-colonial development
- Contemporary educational developments
- Everyday life, cultural narratives, and historical memory

About the Seminar

1. Background

The relationship between environment, livelihood, and culture has become increasingly significant in contemporary discourse. Rapid changes in climate, resource use, economic activities, and social practices have reshaped how communities interact with their surroundings. These shifts influence traditional livelihood patterns, redefine cultural expressions, and create new challenges for sustainable development. Understanding these interlinked aspects is essential to address emerging issues, promote resilience, and support inclusive growth in diverse societies.

2. Objectives

- To explore contemporary environmental issues and their impact on human life and society.
- To examine changing livelihood patterns in the context of social, economic, and ecological transitions.
- To understand cultural transformations shaped by environmental and livelihood dynamics.
- To identify challenges and opportunities for sustainability across environmental, economic, and cultural dimensions.

3. Mode of the Seminar

Hybrid (Offline for Attendees and Both Online/Offline Options for Paper Presenters)

4. Highlights of the Seminar

- Addresses by Guests and Resource Persons
- Paper Presentation Sessions
- Certificate Distribution

5. Target Participants

Faculty members, Librarians, researchers, students, practitioners, NGOs, and policy enthusiasts



**One Day
National Seminar
on**



“Contemporary Aspects of Environment, Livelihood, and Culture (NSCAELC-2025)”

(সমকালীন প্রেক্ষিতে পরিবেশ,
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16th December, 2025
(Tuesday)



Torsa Bhavan Auditorium

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Author Guidelines

1. Abstract Submission

Authors are required to submit an extended abstract of up to 300-500 words in MS Word format. The abstract should include the title, author(s) name(s), designation, affiliation, contact details, and 4-5 keywords. It must be aligned with one of the seminar's sub-themes and clearly present the research objectives, methodology, and findings. Abstracts should be emailed to gbmseminar@gmail.com with the subject line: "Abstract Submission – [Sub-Theme Name]".

2. Formatting Guidelines

The abstract must be prepared on A4-size paper in portrait orientation, with 1-inch margins on all sides and 1.5-line spacing. The title should be in 14-point bold and centered. Author names should appear in 12-point bold and center-aligned, followed by their designation and affiliation in 12-point regular, also center-aligned. The abstract text must be in 12-point regular and justified. Keywords should begin with the italicized label "Keywords:" in 12-point font, left-aligned.

3. Full Paper Submission

The full paper should be submitted within 2500–3000 words and must adhere to APA 7th edition formatting and citation guidelines (Style and Grammar Guidelines [Click](#)).

4. Paper Presentation

Each presenter will be allotted 10 minutes (including Q&A). Presentation files (.pptx or .pdf), if used, must be submitted before the seminar to gbmseminar@gmail.com with the subject line: "Presentation Submission – [Sub-Theme Name]".

5. Mode of Presentation

The seminar will follow a hybrid format, allowing presenters to participate either offline or online. Audience participation will be conducted offline.

6. Language

All submissions and presentations must be in **English** or **Bengali**.

7. Plagiarism

Research papers with a similarity index exceeding 15% will be rejected.

8. Publication

Selected papers will be published in an edited volume with an ISBN number.

Important Dates

- **Date of Seminar:** December 16, 2025
- **Abstract Submission Deadline:** December 10, 2025
- **Intimation to Author(s):** December 12, 2025
- **Full Paper Submission:** December 15, 2025
- **Registration Commences:** November 28, 2025
- **Last Date for Registration:** December 15, 2025

Registration Fees

Authors/Presenters

- **Professionals (e.g., Faculty, Librarian):** INR 600/-
- **Research Scholars / Students:** INR 300/-
- **Attendees (without papers)**

- **For Attending:** INR 200/-

Payment Mode

- **Bank transfer/UPI after abstract acceptance**

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Travel and Accommodation

- Participants are responsible for arranging their own travel and accommodation.
- Nearest Airport: Bagdogra Airport (150 km)
- Nearest Railway Stations: Falakata (15 km), New Cooch Behar (25 km)

Google Map

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/T9c3JMt6Q2zaVfTr9>

- Meals: Lunch will be provided on the seminar day.

After payment, fill out the registration form with transaction details.

Registration Link

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