

NATIONAL SEMINAR
ON
RE-THINKING EMPOWERMENT :
GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT IN INDIA

September 19-20, 2016

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Participation

Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors and Research Scholars associated with Women's Studies are expected to participate in the Seminar. Academics of other Departments interested in the themes of the Seminar are also welcome.

Delegation Fee

Delegation fee is Rs.1000/- (Rupees one thousand only) payable in Demand Draft drawn in favour of Association of Indian Universities, New Delhi. This fee covers the cost of stationery, seminar bags, working lunch, and tea during the sessions

Registration and Call for Papers

Papers are invited on the themes of the Seminar. Extended abstract and papers to be presented should be sent through E-mail with a hard copy (A-4 size).

The filled in **Registration Form** along with Registration Fee and the **Abstract/Paper** should reach to :

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Introduction

The World Development Report (2006) acknowledges the importance of ensuring equal opportunities across population groups as an intrinsic aspect of development and as an instrument for achieving poverty reduction and growth. Noting that men and women have starkly different access to assets and opportunities in many countries around the world, the report refers to gender inequality as the archetypal “inequality trap,” reproducing further inequalities. Millennium Development Goal 3 reflects the strong belief by the development community that redressing gender disparities and empowering women is an important development objective on grounds of both fairness and efficiency.

In order to think about power and em(power)ment in new ways, we need to explore its diverse and complex history. Since the 1980s, feminists have in fact contributed important insight to these debates.

Most regard the issue of participation as central to empowerment. They argue that participation in challenges to hegemonic systems and discourses has often inspired both greater self-understanding and political action in women’s private and public lives. Involvement in the politics of subversion is thus empowering in itself, even if it does not immediately transform dominant power relations.

These debates around gender, empowerment and development have influenced both mainstream and alternative development practitioners and scholars. The language of empowerment and participation was particularly pronounced in what is often called alternative development approaches.

These different approaches/arguments need to be brought together if we are to think about empowerment, power and gender in new ways. Foucault’s exposition of power allows us to move away from more traditional notions of power as the ability to exert power over structures, people and resource.

Themes of the Seminar

- Empowerment-Conceptualization.
- Women Empowerment-an alternate vision.
- Gender and Development. Policy and Plans.
- Gender mainstreaming and empowerment-feminist debates.
- Re-visiting Millennium Development Goals and women empowerment.
- Culture-as an impediment to women empowerment.
- New economic structure, gender and development.
- Women empowerment-challenges and strategies.

Methodology

Lectures and presentations to be followed by interaction among the participants

TA/DA/Board and Lodging

Board and lodging arrangements will be made by Maulana Azad National Urdu University. **The travels, expenses will have to be borne by the participants/sponsoring institute.** The participants requiring such facilities may contact at the address cited overleaf.

Queries, if any, may please be addressed to:

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