MATRU SEWA SANGH INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL WORK, NAGPUR
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, SAPIR COLLEGE, ISRAEL
MAHATMA GANDHI FUJI GURUJI CENTRE FOR SOCIAL WORK
MAHATMA GANDHI ANTARRASHTRIYA HINDI VISHWAVIDYALAYA, WARDHA
And
TIRPUDE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK, NAGPUR
(AN AUTONOMOUS INSTITUTION)

Jointly Organises

Three Day Interdisciplinary International Seminar on

Women in India and Israel: Past, Present and Future

on

12th, 13th & 14th February 2020.

Venue
Matru Sewa Sangh
Institute of Social Work,
West High Court Road,
Bajaj Nagar, Nagpur-440010
ABOUT US

MATRU SEWA SANGH INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL WORK

The Matru Sewa Sangh Institute of Social Work founded in 1958 and one of the pioneer institute imparting Social Work Education in India offering BSW, MSW and PhD programmes. The institute pioneered field action projects in hospital and community settings, women in distress, low income families and drug addicts etc. As it is the first social work college in Vidarbha, Central India, the institute has a historical role in defining the concept of professional social work and it combines the best features of an outstanding educational institution with intellectual vitality being the place for higher learning and research.

SAPIR COLLEGE

The International Social Work Studies Program was established by the School of Social Work at Sapir College, Israel in 2008. The track aims to enhance knowledge and awareness of the social implications of globalization, and to promote discourse on international social problems and needs, as well as discourse on the role of social work professionals in international contexts. The international social work program challenges the students through exposure to worldwide issues, including poverty, human rights, immigration, foreign workers, multiculturalism, and natural and man-made disasters. In this track, the students engaged in field work training in Matru Sewa Sangh Institute of Social Work, Nagpur India since last eight years.

MAHATMA GANDHI ANTARRASHTRIYA HINDI VISHWAVIDYALAYA

Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya was established in the year 1997 to fulfil a dream of Mahatma Gandhi, the father of the nation. It has initiated academic programmes in areas which were important in Gandhi’s socio-political agenda such as Non Violence, Peace and Conflict Resolution, Women Studies and Tribal and Dalit Studies, Social Work studies. To provide Hindi, tools necessary to become a language of serious study and research, many disciplines of knowledge are being taught in Hindi and efforts are on to produce standard text books and other reading material in the language. To fulfil its international commitments the University is coordinating international efforts in areas like syllabus development, content creation and audio-visual aids to students who study Hindi as foreign language.

TIRPUDE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK, NAGPUR (An Autonomous Institution)

Tirpude College of Social Work is imparting Professional Social Work Education in central India since 1966. The College is accredited, reaccredited with grade “A” and “A+” in third cycle by NAAC, Banglore and approved as a center for potential excellence by the UGC. It is one of the reputed Institute affiliated to RTM Nagpur University and is recognized by the Govt. of Maharashtra’s Department of Social Justice. College has recognized as a Place for Higher Learning and Research. College has conferred Autonomous status by UGC in the Academic session 2019-20.

About the Seminar

Women in India: Gender inequality is one of the major constraints for social and economic development of any country. Still in this modern era gender discrimination between both sexes is well practiced everywhere in this country. In spite of women reach to every level including politics the status of women in country is far below the expectation level. The status of women in India has been subject to many changes over the years and especially during the last few decades, changes are much drastic. As per Census 2011, India’s population is 121.06 Cr. with 48.5% female population, which means approximately half of the population percentage comprises of women. So for holistic
development and for building the nation, equivocal contribution from women would be quintessential.

The government of India has initiated policy and programmes to mitigate the cumulative socio-economic, educational and political disadvantages faced by the women. Today, Indian women are aspiring to enter in all spheres of life like science, technology, education, media, literature but still the path towards total gender empowerment is full of potholes. Yet some realities of exploitation exists even after over seventy two years of independence.

**Women in Israel:** In Israel, as in many democratic countries, social organizations in general and women’s organizations in particular are working to reduce the power relations, inequality and injustice between men and women in various social fields such as the employment market, higher education and the Israeli military. Efforts are also being made to reduce the vulnerability that women face in both domestic and sexual violence, and sexual harassment in the family, workplaces and public spaces.

In Israel, the new generation of women, we unapologetically seek appropriate measures to ensure the full development and advancement of women and to safeguard their civil, legal and human rights. These are critical for the purpose of guaranteeing girls and women the exercise and enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms on an equal basis with men. The need of providing women and girls with equal access to education, health care, political representation, economic opportunities, inputs in decision-making – all these are fundamental requirements to fuel holistic growth, renewed economies, and sustainable development benefiting humanity at large.

With this background the seminar aims at unraveling the multiple points and axes of these inequalities, prejudices, discrimination and power relations underlying the same. The seminar will look at how the intersectional systems of inequalities are challenged by counter cultural discourses and varied social movements discussing power, violence and justice. This seminar could lead to new methodologies of enquiry, intervention areas and research opportunities for the academician, research scholars and Activist.

**Conference track/sub-themes**

1. The Constitution and Women: Social Justice and Equality
2. Women’s Health and Nutritional Status
3. Economic Independence in relation to Women Empowerment and Gender Equality: Issues and Challenges
4. Diversity in Political Representation, Women in Power, Politics, and Decision making
5. Role of Literature in creating Social Awareness for upliftment of women
6. Under-representation/Misrepresentation of Women in the Media, Film, and Literature
7. Opening opportunity in Science and Technology, Green Economy, Armed Forces
8. Issues and challenges of women belonging to marginalised sections of society
9. Genesis of increasing crime against women: Eradication of violence and promoting dignity of women
10. Empowerment of women: Policy issues, Legal and Administrative mechanisms, ensuring female literacy, role of social workers etc.

Teaching fraternity, researchers, subject experts, students and representatives of civil society can contribute through their research papers, articles, posters, documentaries, oral presentations etc. on any of the above sub themes or any other topic which covers the core theme of the seminar.

**Call for Papers**

We invite academicians, researchers, research scholars and representatives of civil society to submit their Full length
research papers, articles, case studies, posters in English, Hindi and Marathi language on sub themes to be covered in different technical sessions.

**Guidelines for Paper submission**

- For English Papers New times Roman, font size 12, line spacing 1.5
- For Marathi/Hindi Papers Kruitdev 050, Unicode, Shree Lipi, font size 14, line spacing 1.5.
- Cover page Title font size 16, Author’s name, email and mobile number in the first page of the paper abstract must precede the main paper
- Maximum limit of the full paper up to 3000-4000 MS Word

**Important dates**

- Last date for submission of abstract: 25th January 2020
- Last date for submission of full length paper: 5th February 2020
- The participants are requested to submit their abstract/ full paper on e-mail given here (with brief biodata) E-mail mssiswseninar@gmail.com
- Last date of Registration: 30th January 2020
- Registration fee (excluding accommodation): For Faculty Delegates Rs. 1500/-; Research Scholars & students Rs. 500/- in cash or through cheque/DD in favour of Principal, MSS Institute of Social Work, Nagpur, Bank of Maharashtra, Shankar Nagar Branch, Nagpur. A/c No. 20003738820 IFSC Code - MAHB000153
- Registration form is also available on the website: www.mssiswngp.org

**Travel and Accommodations**

Participants will have to arrange for their own travel. The organisers are not responsible for any travel reimbursement. Participants will have to take care of their accommodation. However, accommodations will be made available to outstation participants at their expenses on request to be made in the application form at the time of registration. Choices in the accommodation may however be made available.

**Seminar Venue**

Matru Sewa Sangh Institute of Social Work, West High Court Road, Bajaj Nagar, Nagpur

**Seminar Directors**

1. **Dr. Jyoti Niswade**, Officiating Principal, Matru Sewa Sangh Institute of Social Work, Nagpur
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4. **Prof. Manoj Kumar**, Professor and Director, Mahatma Gandhi Fuji Guruji Centre for Social Work, Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya, Wardha
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