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BHARATHIDASAN UNIVERSITY

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TIRUCHIRAPALLI - 620 023

TWO DAY NATIONAL LEVEL SEMINAR

on

Advancing Inclusive



and Gender Equity:

Evidence, Innovation, Policy and Community Action
for Sustainable Development

(SDG 6 & SDG 5)



Date

**28 & 29
September 2026**



Time

10.00 AM



Venue

**BDU,
Khajamalai Campus**

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Established in February 1982, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, is a State University named after the revolutionary Tamil poet Bharathidasan (1891–1964). Inspired by its motto, “We Will Create a Brave New World” (புதியதேரர் உலகம் செய்வோம்), the University is committed to excellence in teaching, learning, research, innovation, and knowledge creation. With 4 Faculties, 16 Schools, 39 Departments, and 29 Specialized Research Centres, Bharathidasan University offers a wide range of academic and research programmes across diverse disciplines. The University continues to foster creative excellence, academic competence, social responsibility, and global perspectives, contributing significantly to higher education, research, and societal development.



RUSA 2.0 – SOCIAL SCIENCES

Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) 2.0 supports higher education through initiatives focused on research, innovation and quality improvement. At Bharathidasan University, RUSA 2.0 has supported thematic research projects across the Biological, Physical and Social Sciences, alongside initiatives for innovation, entrepreneurship and skill development.

The RUSA 2.0 – Social Sciences initiative at Bharathidasan University provides a platform for interdisciplinary research addressing contemporary social challenges. The University’s Social Sciences departments contribute to research and academic programmes spanning areas such as Differently Abled, Economics, History, Sociology, Social Work, Social Inclusion, Women’s Studies, and Youth Development.



ABOUT THE SEMINAR THEME

Advancing Inclusive WASH and Gender Equity: Evidence, Innovation, Policy and Community Action for Sustainable Development (SDG 6 & SDG 5)

The seminar focuses on the interconnected challenges of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), gender equity, public health and social justice. It seeks to bring together researchers, academicians, practitioners, policymakers and community stakeholders to share evidence-based insights, innovative approaches and effective policy perspectives.

The seminar will explore how inclusive WASH systems and gender-responsive interventions can strengthen public health, reduce social inequalities and promote meaningful community participation. Through interdisciplinary dialogue, the seminar aims to identify practical pathways towards achieving SDG 6 – Clean Water and Sanitation and SDG 5 – Gender Equality.

THEMES

01

Inclusive WASH and
Public Health

02

Gender Equity and
Social Justice

03

Evidence, Research
and Innovation

04

Policy, Governance
and Institutions

05

Community Action
and Participation

CALL FOR PAPERS

Registration
Free

Researchers, Academicians, Scholars, Practitioners, Policymakers and NGO representatives are invited to submit original research papers aligned with the seminar theme and sub-themes.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION



Last Date for Abstract Submission:

20 September 2026



Submit your abstract through the Google Form:

<https://forms.gle/9nN9p4PAehBepK61A>



Scan for Registration
and Abstract Submission



Clean Water
Stronger Communities
Brighter Futures

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- The abstract should be original and unpublished work.
- The abstract should be closely related to the seminar theme or any of the identified sub-themes.
- Word Limit: 250–300 words.
- Include a clear Title of the Paper.
- Mention the Author(s)' Name, Designation, Institution/Affiliation and Email ID.
- Include 3–5 Keywords below the abstract.
- Abstracts should clearly indicate the research problem/objective, methodology, major findings and implications, wherever applicable.
- Use Times New Roman, 12-point font with appropriate academic formatting.
- Abstracts should be submitted in MS Word format.
- References must be formatted according to the APA 7th Edition style.
- Selected abstracts will be considered for oral presentation during the seminar.
- The decision regarding acceptance of abstracts will be communicated to the respective authors.

FULL PAPER PUBLICATION

Selected full papers will be published after the seminar in a reputed peer-reviewed journal, subject to the journal's editorial and peer-review process.

Note: Publication will be subject to the journal's scope, quality standards, plagiarism policy and peer-review process.

ACCOMMODATION

- Participants requiring accommodation are requested to inform the organizers in advance while registering for the seminar.
- Limited accommodation facilities will be arranged at nominal/concessional rates for participants, subject to availability.
- Participants are advised to communicate their accommodation requirements well in advance to facilitate necessary arrangements.
- TA/DA will not be provided to the participants.



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