

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON



RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN ODISHA: ISSUES AND CONCERN

Conference Date:

29 December 2021

Organised by

**Department of Analytical
and Applied Economics**

Utkal University,
Bhubaneswar-751004,

Odisha, India

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Important Dates:

Paper Submission:
15 December 2021

Decision on Paper:
20 December 2021

Registration:
21 December 2021

PPT Submission:
21 December 2021

Seminar Date 29
December 2021

ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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About the Department

The birth of Analytical and Applied Economics department took place in the name of Department of Rural Economics and Sociology in the year 1956 with an initial grant from the Ford Foundation. The Post Graduate teaching in Applied Economics was introduced in the department in 1963 and in 1974 the name of the department was changed into the Department of Analytical and Applied Economics.

In recognition of the significant contributions made by this department in the field of economics research, the UGC selected the department as a Centre for Teacher-Fellowship Program in Economics in the year 1977, as a Department of Special Assistance (DSA) in the year 1989 and Centre of Advanced Study (CAS) in 2010-11. The Department has also been recognized by the UGC under the ASIHSS program for a period of five years starting from 2006-07 to 2011-12. The academic and research contribution of the department was also recognized by the SBI and it instituted/formed a Chair in Rural Economics in 1981, by creating an Endowment of 6 lakh and it functioned till 2000. The RBI also instituted/introduced a Chair in Institutional Finance in 1982 which is still functioning.

The department now offers MA, M. Phil, and PhD courses in Analytical and Applied Economics. The faculty members of the department have won several national and international fellowships, awards and other grants from time to time. Almost every year, the department has organized various regional and National Seminars and workshops. The department brings out a journal entitled "Utkal Economic Papers" (ISSN 0976 - 7592) to promote the publication of original research works carried out by the faculty members of the department and several affiliated colleges in Odisha.

Background of the Conference

The economy of the state of Odisha has witnessed some major break-throughs in last two decades. The state GSDP has increased from a mere Rs. 45756 crores in 2001 to Rs. 509574 crores in 2020-21 (A.E) ; a more than 10 fold increase in twenty years compared to a less than five-fold increase in the national economy during the same period. Although the COVID19 has affected the Indian economy significantly, Odisha is among the least affected states. Over last two decades, the state has also emerged as one of the top FDI destinations in the recent years. However, in its trajectory of development, the state has also faced several challenges. In terms of sectoral transformation, the state has lagged behind others in several ways. The contribution of agriculture in the overall GSDP in the year 2020 was around 21 percent in Odisha compared to less than 14 percent as the national average. The proportion of poor in the state as per the latest figures was more than 32 percent compared to around 21 percent in India. As per the latest census figures available, 83 percent of the state's population live in rural areas compared to 69 percent in India. Moreover, around 40 percent

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EXPECTED OUTCOMES

1. Some of the presented papers will be published in “*Utkal Economic Papers*” (ISSN 0976-7592) and “*Manthan: Journal of Commerce and Management*” (ISSN 2347-4440) after being peer-reviewed.
2. Selected conference papers will be published in an edited volume after being peer-reviewed.
3. In addition, a brief policy document will be prepared and sent to government agencies.

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population in the state belong to SC and ST communities; most of them living in rural areas. It is therefore pertinent to see if the spectacular economic performance has made any changes to the lives of people living in the rural areas of the state. The present seminar purposes to look into this issue from two different angles. Firstly, the issue of agriculture in the context of overall economic growth. Secondly, the issue of tribal people who constitute more than 22 percent of the state population. Both these issues are expected to provide some interesting insights into the growth story of Odisha.

Seminar Sub-themes

The Sub-themes of the conference are as follows:

1. Concept of Rural Development
2. Development of Rural Economy
3. Challenges and prospects of Rural Development
4. Rural Entrepreneurship
5. Financing Rural Development
6. Make in Odisha and Rural Economy
7. Tribal and Rural Development
8. Major Schemes of Government of India and Odisha for Rural Development

Paper Submission

The paper contributors have to send the complete paper with an abstract (max 200 words) to the Organizing Secretary on or before 15 December 2021 by e-mail to arbehera@utkaluniversity.ac.in. The paper should describe the motivation/rationale, related literature, objectives, data and methods, results and conclusions and the length should not exceed 8000 words including tables and references. The authors may kindly send the papers in word format and type in Bookman Old Style 12 size font and follow APA style of referencing.

Oral Presentation

The authors of accepted papers will have to present their paper preferably through power point slide presentation within 15 minutes. The power point slides of the paper should reach the Organizing Secretary on or before 21 December 2021 by e-mail to arbehera@utkaluniversity.ac.in.

Registration

Registration is compulsory for all delegates. The prescribed registration form duly filled in should be sent to the organizing Secretary address given below “**Organizing Secretary, Department of A & A Economics, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar**”.

Travel and Accommodation

Limited travel grants will be provided to the paper presenters (first author in case of joint paper presenters) as per Utkal University rules in shortest route on production of original tickets.

All the registered delegates will be provided moderate sharing accommodation.

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