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RAMNARAIN RUIA AUTONOMOUS COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Organises

A Two Day

**Interdisciplinary National Seminar
on**

**SUBALTERN
MOVEMENTS
IN INDIA :
ISSUES AND
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January 10 & 11, 2020

Sponsored by

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NEW DELHI**

Venue

**Ramnarain Ruia Autonomous College
Matunga (East), Mumbai – 400019.**

INVITATION

We are pleased to extend an invitation to you to participate in a Two Day Interdisciplinary National Seminar on the “Subaltern Movements in India: Issues and Challenges” sponsored by the Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi to be held on Friday, 10 and Saturday, 11 January, 2020.

ABOUT RUIA COLLEGE

Ramnarain Ruia College was established in the year 1937 by the Shikshan Prasarak Mandali, Pune, with the motto ‘EDUCATION FOR ALL’. Its vision is to emerge as a centre for excellence in higher learning and innovative research to meet the challenges of the global society. It is a premier educational institution in the country which has been contributing to human progress by moulding brilliant, creative, committed and caring students who are making their alma mater proud in various walks of life in different corners of the world. Ruia College won the ‘Best College Award’ from the University of Mumbai in 2006. It was awarded the status of ‘College with Potential for Excellence’ by UGC, New Delhi in 2010-11 and the status of ‘College of Excellence’ in 2014. The College is also the first and only college in Mumbai that received grant from UGC to establish the DDU KAUSHAL Kendra for skill-based training in 2015 and it also received the ‘Star College Status’ from Dept. of Biotechnology, Govt. of India in 2016. The College was awarded Autonomy from the academic year 2017-18. Also, in the academic year 2017-18, National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) awarded Ruia 'A+' GRADE with CGPA 3.70. The College has also received grants from RUSA, Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India in 2018 for enhancement of Quality and Excellence.

ABOUT DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

The Department of History was established in Ruia College since its inception in 1937. Along with academics, it has excelled in various co-curricular and extracurricular activities. It organizes various events such as lectures by eminent scholars, study tours, workshops and seminars. Every year the Department of History organizes an intercollegiate festival titled “Mudra” and the “Prof. D.D. Kosambi Memorial Lecture” by distinguished scholars. Certificate programs in ‘Heritage of Mumbai’ and ‘Culinary History’ are the highlights of the Department. The Department has a well-established Ph.D Research Centre and Departmental library. The department has a distinct research culture of teachers and students.

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

Nineteenth century colonial India was a water-shed in the rise of subaltern consciousness. The latter emerged with peasants and tribals challenging an exploitative British regime and movements for socio-religious reforms. The rise of consciousness and clarity about the self vis-à-vis socio-cultural, economic and political relations in the surrounding society could be paralleled with the rise of modernism. Along with this process one could trace the trajectory of separating and crystallising social categories and sub-categories based on class, caste, religion, gender, language, locale etc. During the history of modern India, most of the oppressed, dominated and exploited social categories started articulating their identities overtly against the background of the means of new socio-economic, as well as, political structures, nation-making and spread of modernistic principles. Subaltern consciousness is also reflected in literary forms that offer alternate aesthetics of beauty and resistance. The 1991 economic reforms policy was a turning point in the identity politics of the subalterns.

Various attempts have been made to write about the social categories, which were at the receiving end of a range of power structures at different locations in the Indian subcontinent. Ranjit Guha and his associates used Antonio Gramsci’s philosophy and E. P. Thompson’s framework of ‘history from below’ to create new philosophical understandings, conceptual tools and methodological systems for recording the socio-economic exploitation of subaltern people. Based on Gramsci’s perceptions and deliberations, subaltern studies have come up with interdisciplinary methods to investigate and analyse the consciousness and voice of dissent of ‘subaltern social categories’. Yet these historiographies of non-elite social groups had their own set of exclusions of caste, class and gender.

This proposed interdisciplinary seminar aims to focus on the micro-histories of subalterns and invites research contributions pertaining to the collection, analysis and production of counter - narratives of all possible subaltern categories from the Indian past as well as present.

Sub-Themes

- Women’s movement
- Tribal movement
- Dalit movement
- Peasant movement
- Labour movement
- Evolution of Subaltern Studies - Milestones and Critique

Papers on any topic relevant to the wider field are also welcome.

GUIDELINES

For Abstract:

Abstract must not exceed 300 words and should contain title of the relevant theme along with author's detail information (name, email, designation and affiliation). Authors are advised to mention minimum 4 keywords in the abstract. The last date for abstract submission is **26 November, 2019**.

Email for submission: ruiaseminar2020@gmail.com

For Paper:

Full paper must not exceed 3000 words including Abstract, Keywords and Endnotes. It should contain the title of the relevant theme along with Author’s detail information (name, designation, email and affiliation). Paper should be in MS word with Times New Roman as font style, font size 12, line spacing 1.5 and 2.54 cm margin on all sides. It should follow the latest MLA or APA Style of research writing.

Email for submission: ruiaseminar2020@gmail.com

Medium: English, Marathi or Hindi

Selected Peer reviewed research papers will be published in the edited book bearing ISBN number. Papers received after the last date will not be considered for publication.

Registration Fees:

(Includes Kit, Breakfast and Lunch without Accommodation)

Teacher/Academician	₹ 1000
Research Scholar	₹ 700
Students	₹ 500

***Accommodation will be provided to only outstation delegates on payment basis with a prior request.**