

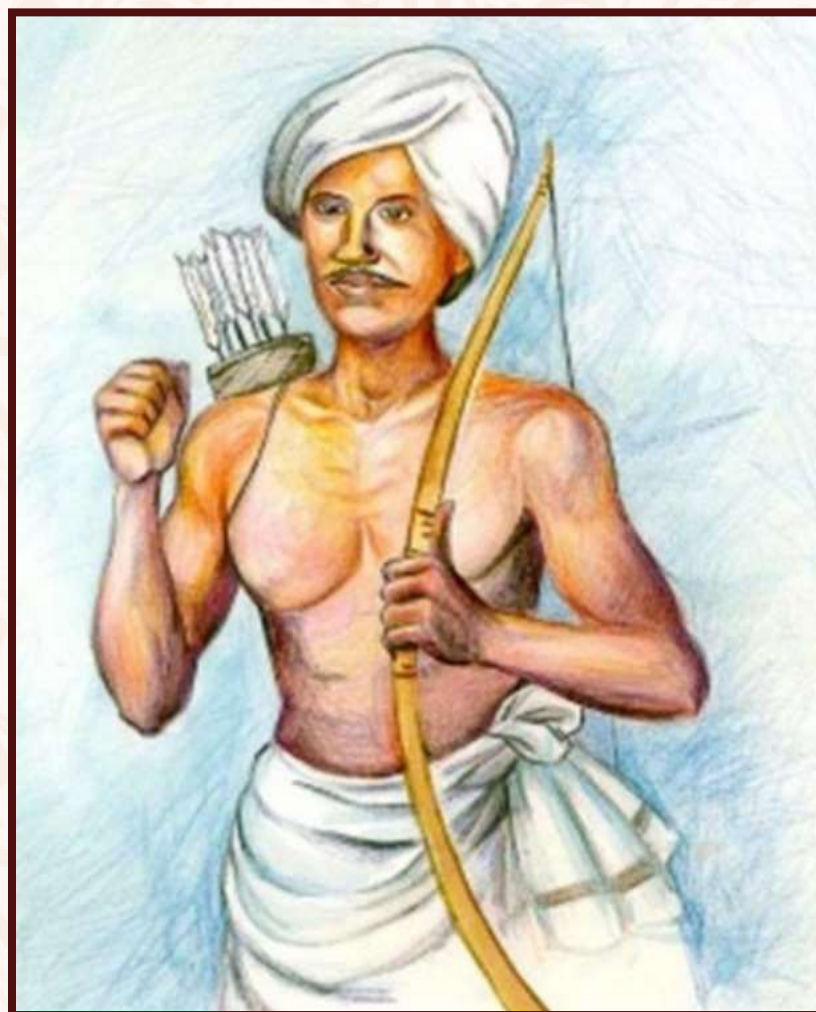


Indian Council of Social Science Research
In collaboration with
Department of Sociology,
Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University,
Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar

is Organizing
Two Days

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON JANJATIYA GAURAV (TRIBAL PRIDE) :

Birsa Munda and Tribal Welfare : Bridging Historical Legacies
with Contemporary Development



25th - 26th August 2025

Venue

Central Facility for Advanced Research & Training (CFART),
Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University,
Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar (Aurangabad)-431004, Maharashtra, India

About the Seminar

The National Seminar on Birsa Munda and Tribal Welfare will explore the intersection of historical legacies and contemporary issues concerning tribal communities in India. Focusing on the life and vision of Birsa Munda, a tribal leader who led the Ulgulan (Munda Rebellion) against British colonial oppression, this seminar seeks to highlight the importance of preserving tribal cultures, their land rights, and promoting socio-economic development while respecting traditional knowledge.

The seminar will provide a platform for scholars, policymakers, tribal leaders, and activists to discuss and debate how to effectively bridge the gap between Birsa Munda's historical legacy and modern-day tribal welfare initiatives.

About the Department of Sociology

Over the years the department has grown large in terms of physical development, expansion of faculty and brining out PhD and M.Phil students. At present there are ten faculty members and three non-teaching staff in the department. So far till date 65 Ph.D. doctoral theses and 139 M.Phil dissertations have been completed in the department. This presents a rich variety of research in the various branches /fields of Sociology, i.e., caste and tribal studies, rural development, regional disparity, population related issues and so on.

About Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar

Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, formerly known as Aurangabad, is a vibrant tapestry of history, culture, and natural beauty nestled in Maharashtra's Marathwada region. Renamed in honor of the brave Maratha warrior Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj, the city seamlessly blends its regal past with the pulse of modern life. Renowned for iconic landmarks like the UNESCO-listed Ellora and Ajanta Caves, the majestic Daulatabad Fort, and the Mughal-era Bibi Ka Maqbara, the city is a haven for history enthusiasts and spiritual seekers alike. With scenic escapes like Mhaismal Hill Station and the Gautala Autramghat Sanctuary nearby, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar offers a rich, multifaceted experience for every kind of traveler.

Seminar Objectives

- Historical Reflection : To reflect on the life and impact of Birsa Munda and his role in empowering tribal communities.
- Policy Dialogue : To assess current tribal welfare policies and propose actionable reforms.
- Tribal Empowerment : To discuss strategies for socio-economic empowerment of tribal communities, integrating traditional knowledge with modern development.
- Cultural Preservation : To explore avenues for preserving indigenous culture in the face of globalization.

Key Themes :

- 1. Birsa Munda's Legacy: Historical and Cultural Perspectives**
 - Understanding Birsa Munda's role in the tribal uprisings against British colonialism and exploitation.
 - Tribal identity and cultural preservation: Insights from Munda folklore and traditions.
 - Relevance of Birsa Munda's philosophy in contemporary tribal movements.
- 2. Land Rights, Self-Governance, and Sustainable Development**
 - Land alienation, displacement, and the continuing struggle for tribal land rights.
 - Implementation and impact of the Forest Rights Act (2006) on tribal livelihoods.
 - Role of the Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act (PESA) in tribal self-governance.
 - Tribal knowledge systems and their contributions to environmental conservation.
- 3. Tribal Education and Skill Development**
 - Challenges in access to education in tribal regions and the role of technology in bridging gaps.
 - Promotion of vocational training and skill development for tribal youth.
 - Preserving and integrating tribal languages and traditional knowledge into mainstream education.
- 4. Economic Empowerment and Livelihood Opportunities**
 - Role of microfinance, cooperatives, and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) in promoting tribal entrepreneurship.
 - Enhancing tribal participation in MSMEs and local crafts industries.
 - Sustainable agriculture and forest-based livelihoods: Opportunities and challenges.
- 5. Health and Nutrition in Tribal Communities**
 - Addressing healthcare disparities: Access to primary health services in tribal areas.
 - Tackling malnutrition and food insecurity through targeted interventions.
 - Traditional tribal healthcare practices and their integration into modern healthcare systems.
- 6. Tribal Women: Catalysts of Change**
 - Role of tribal women in socio-economic development and community leadership.
 - Challenges faced by tribal women: Education, employment, and gender equity.
 - Promoting self-help groups and women's cooperatives in tribal regions.
- 7. Environmental Justice and Tribal Welfare**
 - Impact of industrialization, mining, and deforestation on tribal communities.
 - Tribal movements for environmental conservation: Case studies and lessons learned.
 - Role of tribal practices in combating climate change and promoting sustainability.

8. Birsa Munda and the National Freedom Struggle

- Recognition of tribal contributions to India's independence movement.
- Unsung tribal heroes: Expanding the narrative of India's freedom struggle.
- Revisiting colonial-era tribal policies and their modern implications.

9. Birsa Munda: Life Journey

- Exploring Birsa Munda's roots in the Munda tribe, his childhood experiences, and cultural environment.
- Birsa's efforts to purify tribal customs, resist religious conversions, and establish a new faith — Birsait.
- His leadership in the tribal uprising (Ulgulan) against British exploitation, landlords, and corrupt systems.
- His death at a young age, recognition as a freedom fighter, and continued relevance in tribal and national consciousness

Seminar Schedule Highlights

- Keynote Address: Experts on tribal welfare and historical legacies of Birsa Munda.
- Panel Discussions: Delving into the role of tribal communities in modern India and the future of tribal welfare.
- Research Presentations: Academic papers on the life of Birsa Munda and the future of tribal development.
- Interactive Workshops: Exploring practical ways to integrate cultural heritage with sustainable development practices.

Guidelines for Research Paper Submission

1. Formatting : Submit papers in MS Word format. Use Times New

Roman, 12-point font, and 1.5 line spacing for English papers. For Marathi and Hindi papers, use Unicode font, size 14. Maintain 1-inch margins on all sides.

2. Abstract : Include an abstract of 200-250 words along with 4-5 relevant keywords.

3. Word Limit : The full paper should be between 1700 to 2000 words, including references.

4. Citation Style : All references must be properly cited using either APA or MLA style.

In-text citations and a references/bibliography section are mandatory.

5. Plagiarism Policy : As submission will be checked for plagiarism. The similarity index should not exceed 10%.

6. Authorship : A maximum of two authors per paper is allowed. All co-authors must register separately.

7. Submission : Send your papers to sociologydeptseminar2025@gmail.com with the subject line : "Research Paper Submission - [Author's Name]".

8. Review Process : All submissions will undergo a peer-review process.

9. Publication : ICSSR aims to publish a multi-volume collection of selected research papers

Target Audience

- Academicians, Researchers, and Students
- Policymakers and Government Officials
- Tribal Leaders and Activists
- NGOs working in the field of tribal welfare
- General Public interested in tribal rights and development

REGISTRATION FEES :

There are **NO REGISTRATION FEES** for Participants whose research papers are selected for the conference. They will be provided free accommodation & TA/DA as per norms, ICSSR aims to publish a multi-volume collection of selected research papers

||| Key Dates |||

**Full Paper Submission Deadline :
July 31, 2025**

Registration Procedure

**All Delegates are required to participate
in the 2 Days National Seminar by
registering to the prescribed form
using the link given below.**

<https://online.bamu.ac.in/unic/conference/>

Fees for Participation

Faculty/Policy makers/Government Officers : 800/-
Research Scholars : 500/-
PG Students : 300/-

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