

ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE TEACHERS' ORGANISATIONS



**XXXII AIFUCTO ACADEMIC CONFERENCE 2022-23
KURUKSHETRA (Haryana)**

17-19 March 2023

Organised by :
Haryana College Teachers' Association (HCTA)
in association with
**Haryana Federation of University and College Teachers'
Organisations (HFUCTO)**

Greetings from AIFUCTO

HCTA & HFUCTO deem it a great privilege to announce that the XXXII Academic Conference of AIFUCTO will be held at Kurukshetra (Haryana) from 17th to 19th March 2023. Since the lifting of lock-down and the freedom once again given to human activities, the HCTA & HFUCTO Haryana is hosting this prestigious Academic Conference in physical mode. We cordially invite the participation of all our beloved delegates and faculty from all Affiliated Teachers Organisations of AIFUCTO.

**The Hon'ble Governor of Haryana, His Excellency Sh. Bandaru Duttatreya
will inaugurate the Academic Conference**

The theme of the National Conference is

75 Years of Independence : State of Higher Education in India"

Sub theme :

- a) Higher Education in Historical Perspective.
- b) Role of Higher Education in Nation Building.
- c) Inclusion and Equity in Higher education.
- d) Status of Women in Higher Education:
- e) Impact of Economic Reforms on Higher Education.
- f) Higher Education Institutions of Haryana: Issues and Challenges.

The Conference is held to analyze and ponder upon the Higher Education system that has evolved itself in the last 75 years since Independence, and has been put on the anvil of rationalization, privatization and commercialization. Higher Education has become an expensive commodity today. The policies of the Government have become a tough nut to crack for the common man. Insufficient and inadequate budget is allocated to higher education, agriculture and public sector companies. Policies are framed and implemented at the helm of affairs without genuine involvement of parliamentarians, state legislators and other stakeholders in the field of education and other core sectors of Industry. Such policies have always hampered the growth of the nation physically, intellectually and economically. The federal structure of the nation has been put to acid test with the introduction of Higher Education Commission. Public funded institutions are on the brink of extinction as government policies are inclined towards the existence of private and corporate institutions. A strong attempt is being made to centralize Higher Education against the constitutional principles that support centre-state relations in Higher Education. AIFUCTO has been representing and raising these issues to the policy makers at both central and state level as a matter of constitutional right.

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The XXXII AIFUCTO Academic Conference shall conglomerate the eminent academicians, able administrators and efficient teachers to have a fruitful discussion on the recent challenges in the education system in general, especially with the introduction of the New Education Policy in particular, to show a distinct path to the teachers' movement based on the principle of integrity and accountability. With serious and conclusive deliberations and discussions, a bright and constructive future of Higher Education for the benefit of all stakeholders will be carved out in the conference.

The Conference will be unique and interesting, for it is going to provide solutions to a number of challenges being faced by students, parents, teachers and other stakeholders right from its inception since Independence. The Conference shall lay emphasis on the constitutional and democratic values of the education system besides the existence of public funded institutions. The ambience, gusto and fervour that participants have experienced in the earlier conferences shall be maintained and sustained for the academic and professional welfare of the learned gathering. Highly experienced resource persons, dynamic leaders, and excellent orators on vital issues will be invited to make the conference purposeful and meaningful. This conference shall lay a path for future course of action in the field of Higher Education through democratic and logical discussions. We hope to enlighten you with lots of useful information and knowledge that will go a long way in giving impetus to the future of Higher Education in India.

The HCTA & HFUCTO (MDUTA, KUTA, GJUTA, HGCTA, DCRUSTA) are recognized by the Govt. of Haryana, having more than 10,000 members who are working in 172 Government Colleges, 97 Government Aided Colleges and 21 Universities in the state of Haryana. The HCTA is a registered Teacher's Organization of aided colleges teachers, functional for the last six decades, with more than 1,500 members. All the above organizations have affiliations and have actively participated in all the movements of AIFUCTO and have contributed to the struggles, policies and even the leadership of AIFUCTO. Hence, HCTA & HFUCTO feel proud to host this Academic Conference of AIFUCTO in the holy town of Kurukshetra, Haryana.

About the Conference

"75 Years of Independence : State of Higher Education in India"

The Covid Pandemic has impacted every aspect of human life and has disrupted livelihood and unsettled the existing patterns of interaction even in India. In the sphere of Higher Education Institutions, it has caused disruption of teaching, research and training whose effects are still looming large on us. The Pandemic has exacerbated the technology driven transitions in the sphere of education, especially higher education. Although the educational institutions claim that they have moved their activities online, there are hardly any studies on how this transition has been received by the student community and how has it affected their learning abilities. There is yet no study that can even remotely throw light on the pedagogy of online teaching. This situation is being presented as new 'normal' in the HEIS in the post pandemic world, but this new normal needs a critical reflection and introspection from all of us with the apprehension of impending new fourth wave.

It is in this context that the National Education Policy, 2020 becomes important as it serves as a vision document for the future education. However, the direction given by the document is hardly clear, leading to further confusions and doubts. The National Education Policy 2020, announced during pandemic, is claimed to fulfill the constitutional obligations pertaining to higher education. It has professed ideals like improving GER Ratio to 50% by 2030, spending 6% of GDP on higher education, encouraging non-profit privatization and so on. But these appear to be more a rhetoric than ideals and goals to be pursued, as there is no clear vision of raising either the revenues or guidelines for taming the juggernaut of privatization to function without profit. It is expected that this new normal may further strengthen the trinity. This National Conference attempts to pose an answer to some of the questions that still confronts us since 75 years of Independence.

The Process of Registration

Delegates to the conference will have to register for the conference either individually or in group by submitting a filled-in Registration Form provided on the **Website: www.hcta.in**

For any further queries, please mail us at **aifucto.2023@gmail.com**

The remittance is to be done in favour of Haryana College Teachers' Association.

The registration will be ensured only if delegate fees is paid before 20th February 2023 and intimated to the Conference Treasurer or any other office bearer through Whatsapp, telephonically or
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Registration : An amount of Rs 3000/- (Rupees three thousand only) is to be paid by Delegate/Participant/Guest towards Academic Conference Registration fee. The registered participants will be provided a Conference Kit, free accommodation & food. The delegates, who want accommodation for their family members need to pay registration fee for them separately.

Delegation fee for Haryana Teachers is Rs. 1500/- (No accommodation will be provided.)

The Details of the Bank Account and the mode of Payment to deposit delegate fee are:

Name of the Bank	: Punjab National Bank
Branch	: Sector-7 Urban Estate Market, Kurukshetra
In favour of	: Haryana College Teachers Association
Account No	: 1461200100001561
IFSC Code	: PUNB0146120

The registration fee may be paid through online or by NEFT transaction on or before 20th February, 2023. No TA/DA will be provided to the delegates.

Hospitality: Accommodation will be provided to all the registered delegates (except Haryana) and the allotment of sharing rooms will be monitored by the Accommodation Committee members, who will assist and guide the delegates round the clock. The Organizing Committee will arrange suitable hygienic Indian food at the venue during the three day conference.

A Souvenir of the conference is going to be published after its completion. The articles on the theme of the conference, written by eminent Academicians, Scholars and Veteran leaders of the teachers' movement will be published in the Souvenir. We seek the co-operation of all affiliated organizations in securing as many advertisements as possible.

Tariff for advertisements in Souvenir:

Full Page Colour	:	Rs 60,000.00
Hall Page Colour	:	Rs 30,000.00
Full Page Black & White	:	Rs 30,000.00
Half Page Black & White	:	Rs 15,000.00
Back Side of the Front Page	:	Rs. 1 Lac only
Back Page of the Souvenir	:	Rs. 1 Lac only

Guidelines for Paper Contributors: (Only original and unpublished work is sought)

- a) Papers must be based on theme and sub-themes of the conference.
- b) Papers shall not be exceeding 4000 words in length and an Abstract shall not be exceeding 400 words. It must indicate study period, sample, research questions, methodology, findings and conclusions / Implications.
- c) Text should be printed in Times New Roman with font size 12 typed in 1.5 spaces, for hindi—Krutidev-010 font size 14
- d) A4 Paper layout with standard margins (2.54 cm on all four sides)

1. Last Date for Registration: 20th February, 2023

2. Last Date for Submission of Abstract: 10th February, 2023

3. Last Date for Submission of full papers along with the abstract: 20th February, 2023.

Mail address for the submission of Papers :

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How to Reach the Venue:

By Air :

Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi is located 160 Kms to the South of Kurukshetra City in Haryana. Besides New Delhi, flights are also accessible to Chandigarh which is about 100 Kms to the North of Kurukshetra.

By Train :

The Kurukshetra Junction Railway station is on the main Delhi-Ambala railway line that goes upto Jammu Tawi via Jalandhar. The adjoining cities to Kurukshetra are Karnal in South and Ambala in North..

By Road:

Kurukshetra City being a holy city and the Land of Mahabharata is situated on GT Road (also known as Sher Shah Suri Marg) (NH-44) and is well connected with buses of all types.

About Kurukshetra

In the very first verse of Bhagwad-Gita, Kurukshetra is described as DHARAMKSHETRA i.e. 'Region of righteousness'. Kurukshetra is a place of great historical and religious importance, revered all over the country for its sacred association with the Vedas and the Vedic Culture. It was here that the battle of Mahabharat was fought and Lord Krishna preached His Philosophy of 'KARMA' as enshrined in the Holy Bhagwad-Gita, to Arjuna at Jyotisar. According to Hindu mythology, Kurukshetra is spread over, a circuit of about 48 KOS, which includes a large number of holy places, temples and sacred tanks connected with the religious events/rituals,

Kurukshetra University was established in 1956 as a unitary residential University and its foundation stone was laid by late Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the first President of India. Located in the holy city of Kurukshetra, land of the historical battle of 'Mahabharata' and the great message of Bhagwad Gita, its campus is situated on the western bank of Brahm Sarover (the holy tank) and extends over an area of over 400 acres. Starting with only the Department of Sanskrit, it has grown into a multi-faculty University as one of the premier centres for advanced study and research in the region.

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