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CALL FOR PAPERS

TWO-DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS:

CONTEMPORARY TRENDS IN HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

CONFERENCE DATES	MODE	VENUE
27th & 28th January 2027	Hybrid	SVU, Kokrajhar, Assam

Organised by the Centre for Indian Knowledge Systems, Swami Vivekanand University

CONCEPT NOTE

Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) represent a diverse body of intellectual, philosophical, cultural, scientific, and social traditions that have evolved across the Indian subcontinent over centuries. Rooted in classical texts, oral traditions, indigenous practices, and community-based knowledge, these systems offer valuable insights into human existence, ethics, education, social organisation, governance, language, literature, and environmental sustainability. In the contemporary world, the study of Indian Knowledge Systems provides opportunities to revisit traditional wisdom, critically examine historical knowledge traditions, and explore their relevance to present-day social and cultural realities.

The conference aims to provide an interdisciplinary platform for scholars, researchers, academicians, and practitioners to engage with Indian knowledge traditions from contemporary and critical perspectives. It seeks to explore the intersections of traditional knowledge with modern academic disciplines, including

literature, history, philosophy, sociology, political science, anthropology, linguistics, education, and cultural studies.

The conference will encourage discussions on the historical development and transmission of Indian knowledge, indigenous intellectual traditions, cultural heritage, social structures, gender relations, traditional educational practices, and systems of governance. It will also examine how Indian Knowledge Systems can contribute to contemporary debates concerning sustainability, social justice, cultural identity, community development, and the preservation of indigenous knowledge. Particular attention will be given to the dialogue between tradition and modernity, the critical reassessment of inherited knowledge, and the possibilities of integrating indigenous perspectives into contemporary research and educational practices.

Through interdisciplinary dialogue and critical inquiry, the conference seeks to promote a deeper understanding of India's intellectual and cultural heritage while examining its significance in addressing present-day challenges. It welcomes contributions based on historical research, textual analysis, fieldwork, empirical investigation, and interdisciplinary approaches.

THEMATIC AREAS

01 History of Indian Knowledge Systems	**02** Indian Philosophy and Ethics
03 Literature, Language, and Oral Traditions	**04** Society, Culture, and Indigenous Knowledge
05 Gender and Knowledge Traditions	**06** Traditional Education and Learning Systems
07 Governance, Polity, and Political Thought	**08** Ecology and Environmental Sustainability
09 Social Justice, Identity, and Inclusion	**10** Cultural Heritage and Preservation
11 Indian Knowledge Systems in Contemporary Education	**12** Religion, Spirituality, and Cultural Practices
13 Tribal Knowledge and Indigenous Communities	**14** Tradition, Modernity, and Contemporary Perspectives
15 Knowledge, Power, and Decolonial Perspectives	

The conference welcomes interdisciplinary papers that engage with Indian Knowledge Systems through historical, theoretical, comparative, empirical, and contemporary approaches. The thematic areas are indicative and are not exhaustive.

ABSTRACT GUIDELINES

Papers may adopt theoretical, conceptual, empirical, textual, comparative or interdisciplinary approaches.

Word Limit	250–300 words
Keywords	4–6
Font	Times New Roman, 12 pt

Language	English

The abstract should include:

1. Title of the paper
2. Name of the author or authors
3. Institutional affiliation
4. Email address
5. Abstract
6. Keywords

FULL PAPER GUIDELINES

Referencing Style	APA
Word Limit	Maximum 6,000 words (including references)

Submit the Abstract and Full Paper to both the Email ID's below:

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WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

The conference welcomes participation from:

- Faculty members and academicians
- PhD scholars
- Postgraduate students
- Independent researchers

KEY DATES

30th November 2026	**Abstract Submission**
5th December 2026	**Notification of Acceptance**
10th December 2026	**Registration Deadline**
25th January 2027	**Full Paper Submission**
27th & 28th January 2027	**Conference (Hybrid Mode)**

Selected papers will be considered for publication in the Conference Proceedings with a reputed academic publisher.

REGISTRATION

Registration Guidelines: The registration link will be provided after the acceptance of the abstract.

Registration Fee:
Faculty Members and Academicians: ₹2000 (Offline) / ₹1500 (Online)
PhD Scholars and Independent Researchers: ₹1500 (Offline) / ₹1000 (Online)
Postgraduate Students: ₹800 (Offline) / ₹500 (Online)

Accommodation:

Accommodation facilities will be arranged for participants at a nominal charge.

Mode: Hybrid

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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Nestled in the heart of the Bodoland Territorial Region, Swami Vivekanand University, Kokrajhar is the first private university in Kokrajhar and a growing centre of learning in Assam. Recognised by the University Grants Commission, the University draws its spirit from the timeless ideals of Swami Vivekananda: that education should build character, strengthen the mind and serve humanity.

Its campus at the Information and Technology Park, Chandamari, welcomes learners from every walk of life, guided by a simple promise: Awaken, Educate, and Transform.

Here, classrooms open onto the rich cultures, languages and lived histories of Northeast India, making the University a natural home for conversations in the humanities and social sciences. By bringing together academic excellence, skill-building and meaningful research, and by nurturing close ties between the University, industry and society, SVU encourages scholars to ask bold questions and pursue ideas that matter to people and communities, both in the region and beyond.

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