



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Chandigarh Climate Meet (CCM-2)

### Call for Sessions/Abstracts

for

International Conference on

**"Global Frameworks in the Local Context: Challenges and Way Forward"**

(December 5 to 7, 2019)

And

### Call for Applications

Pre-Conference Workshop on

**"New Urban Agenda, SDGs and Climate Change Initiatives: Issues and Alternatives"**

(December 3- 4, 2019)

### INTRODUCTION

CRRID, Chandigarh proposes to organize an International Conference on **"Global Frameworks in the Local Context: Challenges and Way Forward"** from December 5-7, 2019 and a two days Pre Conference Workshop on **"New Urban Agenda, SDGs and Climate Change Initiatives: Issues and Alternatives"** from December 3-4, 2019. The International Conference and Pre Conference Workshops are part of **Chandigarh Climate Meet** (second in the series) which are likely to be organized by CRRID, Chandigarh with the support from Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi; Centre for Study of Administration of Relief (CSAR), New Delhi; Chandigarh Renewal Energy and Science & Technology Promotion Society (CREST), Department of Science and Technology & Renewable Energy, UT of Chandigarh; The Human Settlement Management Institute (HSMI)/HUDCO, New Delhi and Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA)-Haryana Regional Branch. The Working Group 05 of International Sociological Association (ISA) on Famine and Society; Indian Sociological Society (ISS), New Delhi; North West Indian Sociological Association (NWISA), Chandigarh; The Asia Climate Change Education Center (ACCEC), Jeju, South Korea; UGC: Indo-US 21st Century Knowledge Initiative and Centre for Human Rights and Duties both from Panjab University, Chandigarh; Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), Chandigarh and The Climate Reality Project, India are likely to support the organization of events in various capacities as knowledge partners.

### CALL FOR SESSIONS/ABSTRACTS FOR THE CONFERENCE AND APPLICATIONS FOR THE PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

The call for sessions/abstracts for International Conference and applications for the pre-conference workshop are open. The conference and workshop aim to deliberate on interlinked issues of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), climate change initiatives and New Urban Agenda (NUA). Although not – fully restricted, the focus of the international conference and the workshop will be on the urban areas. Urban areas are facing various challenges due to rapid and unplanned urbanization, emergence of slums with multiple deprivations, growing number of tourists, depletion of green cover & bio-diversity, lack of adequate treatment of liquid and solid waste, pollution etc. The growing cities and high concentration of urban population seem to contribute to the climate change, fast depletion of natural resources and challenges to achieve SDGs & NUA.

The urban sustainability seems to be at stake due to un-sustainability of cities and habitats. Achieving



many of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) will be challenging particularly for states and cities due to their weak institutional and fiscal base along with multiple social economic and environmental vulnerabilities. There is a need to protect cities & regions and safeguard the interests of poor people. The conference is likely to come up with concrete ideas for better future of the planet amid the climate change and gaps in all major areas to be addressed through SDGs and NUA.

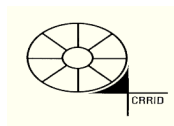
Since role of cities & regions are crucial for addressing many social, economic, environmental concerns, the conference will deliberate and discuss the issues, alternatives, innovations and modalities for sustaining the same. The sessions/papers on different contexts of the theme/s are being invited. Poverty is a multi-dimensional problem and it is more crucial in developing countries, where income & wealth inequality seem to be growing. Poverty is closely linked with marginalization, deprivation & exclusion. The issues emerging in poverty alleviation require extensive discussion and dissemination of good practices for replication. Participation is another important aspect of urban management and governance in cities and therefore sessions are welcome to discuss emerging patterns of participation in various social, political and economic contexts. Collective actions, environmental and social movements in this regard will also be discussed. The sessions and papers on various aspects of SDGs; New Urban Agenda, climate change, water and forest management, adaptation, resilience, marginalization, poverty, hunger, food, decentralization in local as well as global contexts are welcome and how the same can help in resolving various types of conflicts in the developed as well as developing societies.

The emerging issues and options capturing the full import of the acronym FAMINE (**F**ood insecurity as a consequence of severely diminished purchasing power of vulnerable groups in society, **A**lienation on account of discrimination based on Caste, Color or Creed; **M**arginalization on account of severely diminishing real incomes; **I**nequality based on dysfunctional social systems and travails of the workers in Informal Sector, **N**egative impact on vulnerable groups of natural calamities & man-made disasters such as civil wars and economic shocks caused by market volatility; & **E**xclusion from mainstream society based on social and economic ostracization resulting in social conflict, unrest and violence) in the context of the SDGs, climate change and New urban Agenda are also likely to be discussed in the conference.

**The sessions/abstracts are invited on a wide range of areas, including the following:**

o Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

- Local contexts of macro frameworks of SDGs/Localizing SDGs
- SDGs as Holistic Macro Framework for all countries: Efforts, initiatives, linkages and best practices
- Who takes the lead: Role of Governments and other key stakeholders
- Financing the SDGs at sub- national and local levels.
- Role of cities and local governments in sustainable development goals
- How to overcome over-urbanization, growth of slums, poverty and ever increasing inequality
- Eco mobility and environmental refugees
- Challenge of affordable housing, slum development and poverty alleviation
- Urban transportation and environmental pollution
- Improving Eco-efficiency and Green Growth
- Issues and alternatives in water, sanitation, SWM etc.
- Building a sound-material-cycle society through 3 Rs
- Environmentally sustainable transport
- Culture, traditional wisdom and identity



Indian Sociological Society



The Climate Reality Project  
INDIA

o Climate Change (IPCC & UNFCC etc)

- Global initiatives-local impact
- Social dimensions of climate change
- The role of environmental NGOs in response to climate change
- The role of citizens in response to climate change
- The role of enterprises in response to climate change
- Energy efficiency, renewable energy, national energy missions/ plans and local actions
- Nature-based approach to climate change
- Critical review of Paris and other agreements and other initiatives.
- Managing river basins and related issues
- Global water governance
- Climate change, water, energy and food: Interlinkages and issues
- Hydro based development in Himalayan and other mountain regions
- Carbon management and green technological interventions
- Natural disaster management
- Towards safe, residents and sustainable human settlements.

o New Urban Agenda – Its evolution, status & issues

- Challenges against cities in the context of NUA
- Planning, governance and urban management
- Improvement of transportation system
- Strategy on prevention of natural and manmade disasters
- Improvement of educational, cultural and social welfare facility
- Improvement of housing quality, basic services and livelihood
- Green growth of cities- smart innovations and inclusive initiatives
- Addressing urban concerns to promote Social Solidarity Economy (SSE)
- Meeting demands of energy, water and food
- Smart urban development amid globalization, liberalization and privatization

o Other important issues for the sessions/papers to be proposed in the light of above international macro frameworks and their local contexts:

- Collective action and social movements
- Participatory planning
- Rights based development
- Natural resource management-water and forests
- Participation, organizational democracy and self management
- Climate change, natural disasters and food insecurity
- Social accountability
- Marginalization & deprivation
- Poverty, inequality & exclusion
- Community governance
- Women empowerment

The focus of the conference is to understand and examine the progress of implementation of Macro Frameworks like SDGs, Climate Change Initiatives and New Urban Agenda in local contexts and how it is likely to influence sustainability. In this context what alternatives are emerging to cope with the emerging challenges to achieve sustainable development goals, new urban agenda and climate related targets. It aims to provoke questions in different contexts vis a vis many of the above aspects is concerned and explore various alternatives to manage the growth and development in juxtaposition with increasing pressure of climate change, inequalities, poverty and social exclusions deprivations.



## **IMPORTANT DEADLINES AND OTHER DETAILS**

The final date for submitting session proposals and abstracts for the conference (up to 500 words in MS Word format) is October 20, 2019. The abstracts/proposals will be reviewed by the organizing/academic committee. The acceptance of all the sessions/abstracts of papers will be conveyed before October 25, 2019 but efforts will be made to convey acceptance within a week of submissions to enable the participants to make their travel, visa and other related arrangements. The full papers (between 3500-6000 words in MS Word format) will have to be submitted on acceptance of abstract before November 20, 2019. The abstracts may be submitted to the Conference Coordinator Dr. Manoj Kumar Teotia at the email address: [mkteotia@gmail.com](mailto:mkteotia@gmail.com)/ [chandigarhclimatemet2019@gmail.com](mailto:chandigarhclimatemet2019@gmail.com). The last date for registration for the conference is November 10, 2019. On the spot registrations (10% extra) will only be available in case the delegates send formal requests. For details please visit the conference website and <http://chandigarh-climate-meet-2019.site123.me/> and CRRID website (<http://www.crrid.res.in/> in Upcoming Events) to see the updated details of the conference. The selected papers may be published in edited book form with ISBN number.

The abstracts of the papers should include the following information:

1. The title of the Paper
2. The name, affiliation, mailing address and e-mail address(es) of the proposer(s)
3. A description of the Paper (not exceeding 500 words)

## **REGISTRATION FEE**

The authors and session chairs will have to register for the Conference. The pre conference workshop applicants will have to register for both the events. There will be a registration fee for taking care of food, accommodation, local travel and kits. The registered delegates will be supplied with the conference program and other literature in a kit on their arrival at the conference site. In addition, we plan to arrange information desks, manned by students and staff. CRRID plans to utilize its student volunteers, researchers and volunteers from other institutions for local arrangements. The registration fees should be deposited before November 10, 2019. On the spot registrations (10% extra fee) may be allowed with a prior request by the delegates.

## **REGISTRATION FEE FOR CONFERENCE # (fee for workshop extra):**

Sl No	Category of Participants / delegates	Category A* Countries	Category B* Countries	Category C* Countries
1.	Delegates (Teachers, Researchers, Practitioners, NGOs, Govt. Officials, Policy Makers etc)	300 USD/ Rs 20000	200 USD/ Rs 13000	100 USD/ Rs 6500
2.	Students (on the production of Identity card)	150 USD/ Rs 9500	100 USD/ Rs 6500	50 USD/ Rs 3200
3.	Industry (extra charges for exhibition of products/ technology)	400 USD/ Rs 25700	300 USD/ Rs 20000	200 USD/ Rs 13000

**# Please also add category wise fee (as above): Sl. no.1: US\$ 200 (A); US\$ 150 (B) & US\$ 75 (C) ; Sl. no.2: US\$ 100 (A); US\$ 75 (B) and 50 (C); Sl. no.3: US\$ 300 (A); US\$ 200 (B) & US\$ 100 (C) in case you also want to attend the Pre-conference workshop also on December 3-4, 2019.**

# Registration fee includes access to all sessions, welcome reception, souvenir, breakfasts, lunches, dinners, tea/coffee breaks and accommodation during the conference.



\* Categories of countries based on World Bank classification: **Category A:** High income. **Category B:** Upper middle income. **Category C:** Low and lower middle income (Source: <http://www.isa-sociology.org/en/about-isa/membership/table-of-economies-by-category/>).

**Bank details for payments:** The payment of registration fee can be made online in case of foreign delegates by using SWIFT Code and through Local Cheque /Pay Order/ Demand Draft favoring CRRID, Chandigarh 160019, India or online in case of Indian delegates (Name of the Bank: State Bank of India; Branch Code: 4246; Account Number: 55049348238; IFSC Code: SBIN0003246; SWIFT Code: SBININBBP141).

## TRAVEL GRANTS

Some selected paper givers may be provided full or partial travel grant depending upon availability of the funds. The committee will allocate the grants based on the need, qualification, quality of papers and the nationality of the candidates (based on the World Bank development indicators). The grants will be paid only to those selected authors who submit their original and unpublished research papers within stipulated time. The application for grant should be made with the full paper and with a half page statement of motivation/interest. In addition some of the invited speakers will be paid economy airfare and board and lodging facilities at the guest house of CRRID, Panjab University or the Hotel.

## SESSIONS AND LANGUAGE

The official language of the conference sessions/papers and pre-conference workshop will be English. The three day conference will consist of one plenary on the conference theme on the opening day, two other plenary sessions on the following two days, and approximately 27 technical sessions. The welcome and valedictory sessions will be in the Main Conference Hall of CRRID. The Workshop will have 8 technical sessions in two days and will be organized in small conference hall of CRRID. The audio visual and LCD screens will be provided in all the halls. The technical and skilled assistance will be also be provided by the volunteers.

## THE HOST INSTITUTION

**Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development (CRRID)**, an autonomous research institute, is among the 27 research institutes in the country supported by the **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)**, New Delhi. It enjoys the distinction of being the only one of its kind in the northwestern states of Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab and the UT of Chandigarh. CRRID was accorded the "national status" in 1984 by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India, in recognition of its contribution to the cause of social science research in the broader national perspective. CRRID has a Population Research Centre, Urban Governance and Development Unit, HUDCO Chair, RBI Chair and SBI Chair. CRRID's primary focus has been on carrying out socially relevant research on rural and industrial development in the wider social, economic and political context. CRRID is located in centre of the city and is at a distance of about 13 kms from the Chandigarh Airport, 4 kms from the Interstate Bus Terminal and 9 kms from Railway Station. It is well networked with innumerable universities and educational institutions. The institute is old, renowned and prestigious and has a vibrant intellectual, cultural and social ethos. Please visit website of CRRID for more information: <http://www.crrid.res.in/>

## COLLABORATING & SUPPORTING INSTITUTIONS

**Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)** was established in the year of 1969 by the Government of India to promote research in social sciences in the country. ICSSR provide grants



for projects, fellowships, international collaboration, capacity building, survey, publications etc. to promote research in social sciences in India. Documentation center of ICSSR - National Social Science Documentation Centre (NASSDOC) - provides library and information support services to researchers in social sciences. ICSSR has developed ICSSR Data Service to serve as a national data service for promoting powerful research environment through sharing and reuse of data among social science community in India. Please visit website of ICSSR for more information: <http://icssr.org/>

**Chandigarh Renewal Energy and Science & Technology Promotion Society (CREST):** The main objective of CREST is to promote the development/ implementation of alternative non-conventional energy technologies as per MNRE, GOI guidelines; Energy technologies programs/projects; Implementation of a comprehensive energy conservation programme in the industrial, agricultural and commercial as well as household sectors; Promotion and development of new and emerging technology areas such as cogeneration, Alternative fuels, Battery operated vehicles; Collection of energy database to provide policy and planning input to the UT Administration; To set in place the policies/guidelines for facilitating private sector participation in Non-Conventional energy based projects. Please visit website of CREST for more information: <http://solarchandigarh.com/>

**Centre for Study of Administration of Relief (CSAR), New Delhi:** The centre for the Study of Administration of Relief (CSAR) is a civil society organization which specializes in studying different types of flash-points in society stemming from Food insecurity in its extreme forms; alienation from the mainstream of society due to joblessness; homelessness or refugee status; marginalization resulting from market shock and spiraling indebtedness; inequality arising out of poverty, low level of education and inadequate political voice; natural calamities and man-made disasters leading to death serious injury of earning members, loss of productive assets and allied negative consequences; as well as exclusion emerging from ostracization based on caste, race, religion, color or gender. Please visit website of CSAR for more information: <http://csarworld.org/>

**Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA)-Haryana Regional Branch:** IIPA was set up to build capacity among public servants through training and research and impart knowledge and soft skills required for managing the tasks of governance at the Centre and State level. In order to promote the ideology and mandate of IIPA, its governing body established Regional Branches in most of the States and Union Territories of the country. IIPA, Haryana Regional Branch is located at Haryana Institute of Public Administration, Gurugram and has been acting as a flag bearer of the initiatives and agendas of IIPA in Haryana. All the members of IIPA residing in Haryana State are the members of IIPA HRB. IIPA HRB has been organizing various workshops and conferences on the current issues in Administration and Governance. Please visit website of IIPA-HRB: <http://iipahrb.com/>

**UGC: Indo-US 21st Century Knowledge Initiative, Panjab University (PU), Chandigarh:** Panjab University is very prestigious university of India and it has long history. It is ranked number one amongst Universities in India and Ranked 363 in the Thomson Reuters-powered 'Best Global Universities Rankings 2016' by US News and Global Report. PU has 78 teaching and research departments and 15 Centers/Chairs for teaching and research at the main campus located at Chandigarh. Dr Ganga Ram Chaudhary, Dept. of Chemistry & Centre of Advanced studies in Chemistry and Dr Rajeev Kumar, Department of Environment Studies have bagged a grant under the



Indo-US 21st Century Knowledge Initiative. Under the grant and the project PU team will conduct the research in partnership with the Florida Polytechnic University (FPU), Lakeland, Florida, US. Please visit website of the PU for more information: <http://puchd.ac.in/>

### **THE ACADEMIC AND OTHER SUPPORT / KNOWLEDGE PARTNERS**

**Asia Climate Change Education Center (ACCEC), Jeju, South Korea:** ACCEC was established jointly by Jeju Local Government and the Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Korea in 2009 to respond to climate change needs of governmental organizations and other stakeholders to contribute to the solutions of the problem of climate change through education. ACCEC runs courses of education on climate change and its related issues-General and Professional Courses. ACCEC runs a creative and responsible climate change education with a goal to be accredited by United Nations as a world-class professional climate change educational institute. Please visit website of ACCEC, Jeju, South Korea for more information: [http://www.jeju-accec.com/pages\\_e.php?p=1\\_1\\_1\\_1](http://www.jeju-accec.com/pages_e.php?p=1_1_1_1)

**Working Group 05 of International Sociological Association (ISA) on Famine and Society:** The Thematic Group of ISA on “Famine & Society” was founded in 1985 and Prof. T.K. Oommen was its founder-President. *In 1998, “Famine & Society” became a Working Group (WG05).* Besides organising a large number of Inter-Congress Conferences, Famine & Society has organised multiple sessions and its members have presented various *papers at World Congress assemblies organised by the ISA in Delhi (1986), Madrid (1990), Bielefeld (1994), Montreal (1998), Brisbane (2002), Durban (2006) Gothenburg (2010), Yokohama (2014), Toronto (2018) and ISA Forums in Buenos Aires (2012) and Vienna (2016).* The Working Group 05 of ISA will be organizing several sessions in forthcoming Forum ISA of Sociology to be held in Porto Alegre, Brazil (2020). Please visit the website for more information: <http://www.isa-sociology.org/en/research-networks/working-groups/wg05-famine-and-society/>

**Indian Sociological Society (ISS)** was set up in Bombay with the initiative of Prof. G. S. Ghurye, Head of the Department of Sociology, University of Bombay. The Society was registered in December 1951 under the Societies Registration Act. The Society started a biannual journal Sociological Bulletin from March 1952. It held seminars/workshops occasionally on selected themes but did not organize large conferences. With the initiative taken by Prof. R. N. Saxena, from the year 1955 onwards six All India Sociological Conferences (AISC) were held in different parts of the country. The Indian Sociological Society as a professional body has come of age. The Society stands as a shining example of how academic affairs of a social science discipline could be organised and how Sociologists, young and old from different regions of India having academic interest in diverse fields of specialization could be brought on one forum. Please visit website of ISS for more information: <http://www.insoso.org/>



**North West Indian Sociological Association (NWISA):** The NWISA promotes study of sociology and sociological problems in the states of Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir and the Union Territory of Chandigarh. It also aims at promoting interaction and exchange of ideas among scholars carrying out sociological studies in the states and the Union Territory. Please visit website of NWISA for more information: <http://www.nwisa.in/>

**National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), New Delhi:** National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) is a premier institute for research, capacity building and dissemination of knowledge for the urban sector in India. It conducts research on urbanization, urban policy and planning, municipal finance and governance, land economics, transit oriented development, urban livelihoods, environment & climate change and smart cities. The institute was set up to bridge the gap between research and practice, and to provide critical and objective analyses of trends and prospects for urban development. NIUA has assisted in policy formulation and programme appraisal and monitoring for the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), state governments, multilateral agencies and other private organizations. It contributed to the National Commission on Urbanisation, participated in drafting the 74<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment of 1992, prepared the Draft National Urban Policy and other documents for the roll out of the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) and recent mission mode programmes. It also guided the discourse on municipal finance by framing the Model Municipal Law. Please visit website of NIUA for more information: <http://www.niua.org/>

**Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), Chandigarh:** Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) is an independent think tank, which works in macro-economy, politico-economy, public policy, banking, agriculture, infrastructure, energy, international trade, manufacturing sectors. CEPR helps government in shaping the policy, via sector reports, stakeholders consultations, policy briefs etc. Along with this, CEPR also helps organisations to understand the public policy and the market scenarios. CEPR fills up gap between industry and policymakers and strives to make both ends meet. Nationally, CEPR is network of nearly 50 odd professionals and economists, who are regularly contributing to make the work more meaningful. At present we operate out of two offices, Noida in Delhi NCR and Chandigarh. Please visit website of CEPR for more information: <http://cepr.in/>

**Centre for Human Rights and Duties, Panjab University (PU), Chandigarh:** The Centre imparts human rights and Duties was upgraded into an independent Centre at PU in 2010 and value addition of Ph. D course curriculum was also made. The Centre offers opportunities for theoretical and applied learning for its students. Its field based research component equips students with grass roots experience for two consecutive years during postgraduate study. The students are enrolled on the basis of merit determined by performance both in the aptitude test and specified merit in the previous qualifying examination. The Centre facilitates students' internship with international, national and state level human rights bodies, NGOs and other agencies. Please visit website of the PU for more information: <http://puchd.ac.in/>





**The Climate Reality Project India, New Delhi:** In 2006 The Climate Reality Project Chairman and former U.S. Vice President Al Gore, sparked an international conversation on climate change. The Climate Reality Project has more than 11,000 trained climate leaders worldwide, branches in 10 countries and presence in more than 135 countries. Its independent chapter The Climate Reality Project India was established in 2008. Its mission is to catalyse a global solution to the climate crisis by making urgent action a necessity across every level of society, help the government reach its INDC and promote clean energy. Indian branch looks after about 500 trained Climate Leaders and more than 800 Volunteers spread all over the country. Please visit the websites for more information: [www.climatereality.org.in](http://www.climatereality.org.in) and <http://www.climaterealityproject.org>

### **CONFERENCE PATRONS/ STEERING COMMITTEE**

- ❖ Dr Rashpal Malhotra, Executive Vice Chairman, CRRID, Chandigarh (Chair)
- ❖ Prof. Shalina Mehta, Member of CRRID Society & Professor, Anthropology, PU, Chandigarh
- ❖ Mr Sunil Bansal, Director (Acting), CRRID, Chandigarh
- ❖ Dr Dai-Yeun Jeong, Director, Asia Climate Change Education Center, Jeju, South Korea
- ❖ Dr. R. Indira, President, Indian Sociological Society, New Delhi
- ❖ Dr Harjit Singh Anand, Centre for Study of Administration of Relief (CSAR), New Delhi and President, Working Group 05 of ISA on Famine and Society
- ❖ Shri Hitesh Vaidya, Director, National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), New Delhi
- ❖ Dr. G. Prasana Kumar, IAS (Retd.), Vice Chairman, IIPA, Haryana Regional Branch
- ❖ Dr S.K. Gupta, Executive Director (T), HSMI/HUDCO, New Delhi
- ❖ Dr. Abdul Qayum, IFS, Additional CEO, CREST, Department of Science and Technology & Renewable Energy, UT Administration, Chandigarh.
- ❖ Dr. Subhash Sharma, Director, CEPR, Chandigarh
- ❖ Mrs Asha Kumari Jaswal, Former Mayor, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh
- ❖ Dr. Bhup Singh Gaur, President, North West Indian Sociological Association (NWISA)
- ❖ Prof. Rekha Sexena, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi, New Delhi
- ❖ Shri N L Manjoka, IRTS, Dormer ED, CONCOR and Former Director, HUDCO, New Delhi

### **LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

- ❖ Dr Manoj Kumar Teotia, AP, HUDCO Chair Coordinator, CRRID, Chandigarh and Secretary, Working Group 05 of ISA on Famine and Society (Conference Coordinator/Organizing Secretary)
- ❖ Dr Pawan Kumar Sharma, PRC, CRRID, Chandigarh (Joint Secretary)
- ❖ Prof. Dipti Ranjan Sahu, Secretary, Indian Sociological Society, New Delhi
- ❖ Dr. Mohinder Kumar Slariya, General Secretary, North West Indian Sociological Association (NWISA), Chandigarh
- ❖ Prof. Jagan Karade, Chairman, Department of Sociology, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra



- ❖ Prof. P. P. Balan, Former Director, KILA, Kerala and currently Senior Consultant, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India, New Delhi
- ❖ Dr Namita Gupta, Chairperson, Centre for Human Rights and Duties, PU, Chandigarh
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### **THE PROPOSED VENUE**

CRRID, Chandigarh enjoys a well developed academic and physical infrastructure in terms of a spacious and pleasant built environment, Wi-Fi enabled state of the art cyber and computational facilities, a well equipped central library, archives, numerous faculties constituted by research departments. It has been host to innumerable seminars, international conferences and international events and the conference participants will be welcome to utilize its resources.

### **LOGISTICS**

**Chandigarh** city is situated near the picturesque foothills of Shivalik range of Himalaya and is a planned city of the country. It is very well connected to the national capital Delhi. The city has invited commendable scholarship from researchers, policymakers, civil society activists, architects, and planners from all across the globe. As a city, we plan to organise a special panel on Chandigarh to create and accelerate an interest in urban studies amongst researchers. The city has adequate stay facilities of various categories and variety of food. The tri-cities of Chandigarh-Panchkula and Mohali (SAS Nagar) provide ample opportunities for stay, food and cultural activities.

**Connectivity:** Chandigarh is well connected by rail & road (about 4-5 hours journey from Delhi), and air (about half an hour from Delhi). The Chandigarh International Airport has flights from Dubai, New Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Jaipur, Pune, Srinagar, Jammu etc. All major domestic airlines are connected to Chandigarh which in turn is connected to other international airports in Delhi (about half an hour journey) and Mumbai (about two and half hour journey).

**Transport:** Chandigarh provides a wide range of means and modes of public and private transport ranging from local buses, radio taxis, cabs and auto rickshaws at affordable prices. It has a wide intra and inter-city transport network that makes it conveniently accessible.

**Accommodation:** There are multiple options available for accommodation around the proposed venue, CRRID. These range from deluxe five and four star luxury hotels, middle range hotels and guest houses, economical tourist lodges to bed and breakfast. For those looking for cheaper accommodation, there are University Guest Houses, UT Guest House, Himachal Bhawan, Panchayat



Bhawan, Youth Hostel etc. In addition limited rooms are also available at affordable rates at CRRID guest house.

**Food:** The Organising Committee would arrange for a working lunch, two tea/coffee breaks with snacks and dinner for all the participants, on all the three days of the conference. In addition, welcome and valedictory dinners will be hosted by the organizers.

**Field Visits and Excursions:** Organisers plan to facilitate some field trips to the new and planned city of Chandigarh for the interested participants. They can take a heritage walk/tour of their choice or Capitol Complex (Assembly Hall, Punjab and Haryana High Court etc). They may also take the travel and sightseeing tours in “Hope and Top” buses of Chandigarh Administration. Those participants who are interested in trips outside Chandigarh to places such as Mcleodganj, Dharamshala, Shimla, Kasauli, Delhi, Amritsar, Manali etc. may plan their trips through travel agents organised by the committee. Places of attractions in Chandigarh: <https://www.tripadvisor.in/Attractions-g297596-ActivitiesChandigarh.html>.

Please contact the Conference Coordinator/Organizing Secretary for any help you may need regarding your participation

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