

**Department of Social Work
Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli**

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In collaboration with

Children of India Foundation, Coimbatore

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Call for Papers

**Two Day
NATIONAL SEMINAR ON**

PREVENTION OF CHILD EXPLOITATION AND PROMOTION OF WELLBEING

20th & 21st December, 2023

Venue

**Khajamalai Campus
Bharathidasan University
Tiruchirappalli - 620 023**





About the University

Bharathidasan University established in February 1982, and was named after the great revolutionary Tamil Poet, Bharathidasan (1891-1964). The motto of the University "We will create a brave new world" has been framed from Bharathidasan's poetic words "புதியதோர் உலகம் செய்வோம்". The University endeavours to be true to such a vision by creating in the region a brave new world of academic innovation for social change. The University has totally 4 Faculties, 16 Schools, 39 Departments and 29 Specialized Research Centres. There are 263 faculty members catering to 2564 students and scholars in the University. The University Departments/Schools are offering 151 programmes including 40 PG programmes in M.A., M.Sc. and M.Tech. The above programmes are conducted under the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in Semesters: 31 M.Phil., 33 Ph.D., 19 P.G. Diploma, 11 Diploma and 10 Certificates. The University's supporting staff strength is 457. In addition to the regular teaching programmes in the Departments and Schools, the University under its Distance Education mode is conducting 15 UG and 26 PG programmes.

About the Department

The Department of Social Work, since 1996 has been offering MSW, M.Phil, and Ph.D. programmes with innovative job-oriented courses including Advanced Counselling, Disaster Management, and Social Work with Persons with Disability. The department offers specializations in Human Resource Management, Medical & Psychiatry, Community Development, and Correctional Social Work. Furthermore, the department offers 7 PG Diploma Programmes and 1 Certificate Programme. The essence of Social work springs from the community and hence all the activities of the department are people-oriented. The Department is the recipient of the UGC - SAP - DRS - I programme of the University Grants Commission.

About the CIF

Children of India Foundation (CIF) is a registered not-for-profit organisation engaged in activities related to child protection, health, livelihood and education for the welfare and upliftment of the vulnerable and marginalised families in India. CIF works towards empowering the children of the most marginal sections of society and building their capabilities so that communities can drive their own development. CIF works in 7 states in India, reaching around 80,000 children in over 2,700 villages.

About the Seminar

The United Nations passed the Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), encouraging member countries, including India, to sign and ratify it to ensure a safe environment for children. The UNCRC guarantees the rights to life, protection, development, and participation while explicitly addressing various forms of exploitation, such as physical and psychological abuse, economic exploitation, and sexual abuse. India, as a signatory to the UN Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, is obligated to prevent child sexual abuse. Efforts in India also extend to combating child marriages and eliminating the devadasi system under Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights (SRHR). The nation is on the verge of endorsing ILO conventions against the worst forms of child labour. The National Policy for Children 2013 and legislative measures like the POCSO Act 2012, amendments to CLPR Act 1986 and JJ Act 2015 address child abuse.

To address various issues related to child exploitation, the seminar aims to create a platform for sharing knowledge, adopting best practices, and discussing action plans involving governments at local, state, and national levels, interventions of non-governmental organizations, academic and research institutions, corporations, support groups, and communities. The goal is to develop strategies to combat child exploitation and promote their overall wellbeing. The seminar aims to compile all experiences and recommendations into a National Declaration.

Objectives

- Providing a forum for academicians, practitioners, corporates and the affected communities to come together to exchange about the status of Child Exploitation and associated issues and generate ideas to combat the same.
- Kickstart the Seminar with a powerful keynote address, presentation of papers and posters under theme and sub themes.

Call for Papers

In the context of above mentioned theme and objectives, the seminar invites conceptual, empirical research, case studies and poster presentations in national context along with the seminar theme as well as other related issues.

Sub-Themes of Seminar

In the seminar agenda, the topics considered may include, but are not limited to the following Sub-Themes:

1. Local Governance for Safe Childhood.
2. Mapping Child Safety Measures.
3. Cyber Space and Child Sexual Exploitation.
4. Legal instruments and child protection systems in india from a child rights perspective.
5. Achieving SDGs from Gender Equity Perspective.

Guidelines for Paper Submission and Registration

- Paper with abstract should be original and unpublished.
- The paper should be free from Plagiarism.
- Paper should be formatted in A4 Size with font size 12 (Times New Roman), justify alignment, 1.5 Line Spacing, not exceeding 8 pages, and typed in English.
- Reference in the paper should be in APA style.
- Selected papers will be published in Edited Book with ISBN.
- The soft copy of the Book will be sent to the registered participants.
- The Abstract (not exceeding 500 words) and Full Paper (not exceeding 8 Pages) should be submitted by email to swcif@bdu.ac.in
- Registration restricted to 100 papers only based on first come first serve.

No Registration Fee

- Registration is limited to 100 participants only.
- All Participants individual registration is mandatory.
- No spot registration.
- Registration includes **Seminar kit, Working lunch , Refreshments & Certificate.**

Important Dates

Last date for Abstract Submission : 13-12-2023

Last date for Full paper Submission : 15-12-2023

Last date for Registration : 16-12-2023

Registration Acceptance & Confirmation : 17-12-2023



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