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## **NATIONAL SEMINAR**

**(March 12 & 13, 2010)**

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**DEVELOPMENT**

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**Dear Sir/Madam,**

We are pleased to inform that the School of Economics is organizing a two days National Seminar on **“Climate Change and Economic Development”** on 12-13 March, 2010 for the academic enrichment of faculties of various institutions, college teachers, NGO's, Research Scholars etc. This National Seminar is aimed at providing a forum for new ideas along with interactions and deliberations on possible issues relating to changes taking place due to concentration of green house gases and its impact on economic development, especially in India. It is organized under UGC-Special Assistance Programme (DRS-II) in the Department.

### **The Background:**

The climate is changing, the earth is warming up, and there is now overwhelming scientific consensus that it is human-induced happening. With global warming on the increase and species and their habitats on the decrease, chances for ecosystems to adapt balance are minimal. Climate change may be one of the greatest threats facing the planet. Recent years show increasing temperature extremities in weather patterns in various regions.

Indeed, the adverse effects of climate change are already evident, natural disasters are more frequent and more devastating, and developing countries more vulnerable. Few studies suggest that human activities are altering the climate system and will continue to do so. Climate change is thus bringing about various environmental changes, which include rise in sea level, shifting of climate zone due to increased temperature and altered rainfall patterns. Increased frequency and magnitude of extreme weather events such as droughts, floods and storms are often being observed and may be mainly attributed to human induced climate change.

These extreme weather conditions have both short-term and long-term socioeconomic and political consequences, which include food insecurity; the displacement of people; the destruction of infrastructure such as houses and roads; soil erosion; damage to farms and crops; and increased spread of endemic water -borne diseases. The effects of climate change may be thus very negative as well as severe.

A variety of technology options are made available to restrain the growth of carbon emissions and reducing greenhouse gases in the environment. But most of these technologies are not easily available and in fact may be very costly. This makes them thus unlikely to implement unless efforts are taken to lower their prices. Poorer countries will often be the first to be threatened by the consequences of climate change as it affects agricultural production. Poor countries also often have trouble in implementing regulations because the standards are too strict, and the general cost of implementation is also a major barrier. Up to 85 percent of the population in some of the poorest countries depend directly on crops, livestock, fisheries or forests for their daily income or sustenance, and estimates suggest that crop yields could reduce by a third in many poorer countries by 2050 as a direct result of global warming.

This seminar on **“Climate Change and Economic Development”** is aimed to explore the linkages between climate change and economic development and challenges of environmental protection. This would identify the constraints and opportunities in protecting our earth and various living species. Some of the important issues of discussion would be-

1. Climate change and Copenhagen outcome
2. Climate change and economic growth.
3. Climate change and poverty eradication & disparity
4. Climate change and destruction of natural resources
5. Climate change and socio-economic consequences
6. Climate change and its impact on agriculture
7. Climate change and industrialization
8. Climate change and displacement of people.
9. Climate change and its impact on costal areas.
10. Climate change and mitigation techniques.
11. Regulation policy issues to check the climate change.

The candidates who are interested to present a research paper in this seminar on the themes described above may apply on the prescribed form along with abstract not exceeding 200 words and a demand draft of Rs. 300/- (registration fee) in favour of "**Coordinator SAP, Economics**", Payable at Indore. This must reach the institution on or before 10<sup>th</sup> February 2010. The registration would consist of a kit, lunch and accommodation (a separate request should be made for accommodation). A declaration has to be made by the authors that the paper is original and has not been published / submitted for publication elsewhere. The soft copy of the paper should be sent through the mail: [Kanhaiya.ahuja@yahoo.com](mailto:Kanhaiya.ahuja@yahoo.com) latest by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2010. The hard copy of the paper may be sent to **Dr. Kanhaiya Ahuja, Deputy Coordinator, UGC-SAP Programme** on the address mentioned on the back.

The papers will be selected strictly according to the quality of paper. School of Economics will be happy to provide local hospitality and reimbursement maximum up to AC III to and fro charges on the submission of a photocopy of the ticket to only those participants whose paper gets accepted for presentation (only one author). School of economics is also planning to publish the edited book comprising of selected quality papers. We would feel honored to provide a copy of book to the main authors of the articles absolutely free. The interested candidates can get themselves registered.

Looking forward for your positive response

Thanking you.  
Yours sincerely,

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**Registration Form**

I would like to request you to enroll me as a delegate for the above seminar to be hosted by the School of Economics, Devi Ahilya University, Indore.

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