

Call for Papers  
**2<sup>ND</sup> RESEARCH SCHOLARS' WORKSHOP**  
**Department of Economics & Politics**  
**Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan**

The Department of Economics and Politics, Visva-Bharati (University), Santiniketan is organizing the **2<sup>nd</sup> Research Scholars' Workshop** on “**Economic Development and Rural India**” on March 16, 2018 (Friday). Original Research Papers are invited from registered M Phil / Ph D scholars (MS Word or PDF format) by **January 10, 2018**. Papers are invited from all areas related to the theme. Topics of interest include (but not limited to) the following:

1. Globalization and Agriculture
2. Changing Agrarian Organization / Institutions
3. Agrarian Modernization and Diversification
4. Globalization and the Rural Non-Farm Economy
5. Organizational/Institutional issues pertaining to the Rural Non-Farm Economy
6. Technology and the Rural Non-Farm Economy
7. Farm --- Non-Farm Relations / Interactions
8. Rural-Urban interactions and Rural-Urban convergence / divergence
9. Rural Employment and Rural Labour Market issues (including rural-urban/rural-rural Migration)
10. International Trade and the Rural Economy
11. Issues of Resource and Environment pertaining to Rural Economic Development
12. Rural Financial Market and related Institutions
13. Rural Economy and the Developmental Institutions (government as well as non-government)
14. Rural Social Sector Development
15. Rural Infrastructure
16. Food Security
17. Rural Livelihood Guarantee Programmes
18. Political Economy of Development with a focus on Indian Rural Development

Submissions should have an abstract of 150 words and the full paper should be within 7500 words. The submission should be accompanied by a set of information in a specific format provided in **Annexure-I**.

If accepted, the author will have to submit a certificate from his/her supervisor certifying that the paper is written by a registered M Phil /Ph D scholar to be eligible for final presentation at the Workshop

Limited travel grant (maximum INR 1000/-) may be offered to paper presenters subject to availability of funds and on presentation of valid documents. Those who wish to be considered for this grant have to submit an additional set of information in the format provided in **Annexure-II**.

For the selected papers, local hospitality including one night stay (on twin sharing basis) will be provided to the presenting author (only one of the authors in case of multiple authors).

All the presented papers will be discussed by a Discussant.

Electronic submission is preferred. Submissions and all subsequent communications can be made to:  
Santadas Ghosh: [santadas\\_ghosh@yahoo.co.in](mailto:santadas_ghosh@yahoo.co.in); and  
Saumya Chakrabarti: [saumya\\_chakrabarti@biari.brown.edu](mailto:saumya_chakrabarti@biari.brown.edu)  
(Joint Conveners)

Important dates:

Last date of submission: **January 10, 2018**  
Acceptance notification: **February 10, 2018**

## **Annexure-I: (Details to be submitted along with the paper\*)**

Title of the paper:

Workshop Sub Theme:

Name/s of Author/s (please indicate the corresponding author) and Institutional Affiliation/s:

Email addresses of all authors:

Full postal address of Corresponding author:

Contact number/s of Corresponding author:

M.Phil. / Ph. D. supervisor's name and his/her institutional affiliation:

Keywords:

JEL classification Code/s:

Whether applying for travel grant: Yes / No

*(\* Submissions will not be considered if this form is not attached or is incomplete).*

## **Annexure-II: (Information needed for consideration of Travel Grant)**

Name of paper presenter

University / Institute to which he/she is affiliated:

Whether employed (put  $\surd$ ): **Yes / No**

Designation and Institute's address (if employed):

Whether eligible for travel grants from parent University / Institute (put  $\surd$ ): **Yes / No**