TWO DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON
EMERGING RURAL HEALTH ISSUES IN INDIA

10th and 11th January 2018

Venue:
Educational Multimedia Research Centre (EMMRC)
Manasagangothri University of Mysore, Mysore

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Organized by
CENTRE FOR STUDY OF SOCIAL EXCLUSION AND INCLUSIVE POLICY
UNIVERSITY OF MYSORE, MYSORE

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BACKGROUND OF THE CONFERENCE:

Health is not only an important input in the development process; it also assumes the role of infrastructure for development of other social indicators. Though health has been considered a fundamental human right since the Alma Alta Declaration (1978), yet expenditure on health in India is often lower than expected and the condition of health infrastructure and services in the country especially in rural areas has not improved up to a satisfactory level due to numerous reasons. Among many issues ‘Rural Health’ is one of biggest challenges modern of India. Though there has been a steady increase in health care infrastructure available over years progress is not satisfactory, as there is a shortage health centers and infrastructure to the existing population norm. Besides that they face many problems like shortage of health centres, buildings, shortage of manpower, lack of quality healthcare, lesser coverage of health insurance etc.

Nearly 70 percent of people live in rural areas where the condition of medical facilities is deplorable. Considering the picture of grim facts there is a dire need of new practices and procedures to ensure that quality and timely healthcare reaches the deprived corners of the Indian villages. Providing quality health services in the rural areas needs rural infrastructure development like road communication, safe drinking water, proper sanitation etc. Though a lot of policies and programs are being run by the Government but the success and effectiveness of these programs is questionable due to gaps in the implementation. In this context there is a need to discuss the rural health problems in-depth and give compatible and divergent policy measures to bring rural people into mainstream development. This conference shall create shared understanding among people in governance, experts, NGOs, practitioners, hospital service staff and the community to learn from successful approaches which shall be analysed collectively. The core rationale of the proposed conference is an attempt to have solid discourse on various health issues being faced by the rural people and also to suggest suitable policy measures to be implemented soon. This conference will provide a common platform for current discussion, sharing ideas, exploring reasons for inequality between rural and urban areas with regard to health services, lack of health infrastructural facilities, lack of health insurance in rural areas, evaluation of community based health insurance in rural areas etc. The deliberations would also reflect the empirical assessment of the implications of liberalization, privatization, globalization and other relevant changes on rural people in India.
OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE:
1. To comprehend and explicate the contemporary status of health infrastructure in rural India;
2. To deliberate on status and challenges of rural health in India with especial reference to quality, equity and effectiveness.
3. To highlight the health status and specific health problems of marginalized sections of rural India;
4. To review drawbacks in the various existing health policies and to provide solid platform to frame new inclusive health policy.

SUB THEMES
• Rural Health in India: Current Scenario and Challenges
• NRHM and Rural Health Infrastructure
• ICT and Rural Health Issues
• Rural Health Disparities
• Health Care Financing and Economics of Rural Health
• Health Insurance in Rural India
• Alternative and Complementary Medicines
• New Health Policies: Quality, Equity and Effectiveness.
• Public Private Partnership and Rural health
• Medical Sociology, Medical Anthropology
• Rural Health Issues and NGOs
• Science and technology for low-cost health care
• Any other topic strictly relevant to the theme of the Conference

CALL FOR PAPERS:
Abstracts (500 words) and Full Papers (Less than 15 Pages or 4000 Words) can be submitted through Email in Word format to both dinesha@uni-mysore.ac.in and ptdinesha@yahoo.com. Submission of full paper is compulsory. The research papers shall be preferably in the standard research format, abstract, Introduction, Objectives, hypothesis if any, methodology, results /findings, conclusion, references in that order. Expert committee will short list the selected papers.

PUBLICATION:
Selected full papers will be reviewed and published in the form of edited volume after the conference.

IMPORTANT DATES:
Last Date for Submission of Abstract : 20.12.2017
Acceptance to Be Communicated : 22.12.2017
Submission of Full Paper : 30.12.2017

REGISTRATION FEE:
Paper Presenters : Rs. 300/-
Faculty and Others : Rs. 250/-
Research Scholars : Rs. 200/-
Students : Rs. 150/-
ACCOMMODATION
Moderate lodging and boarding facilities will be provided for the Outstation paper presenters in the university guest house on twin share basis on first come first serve base. Outstation paper presenters are requested to avail TA from their own institute.

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF MYSORE
The University of Mysore (Accreted with A++) spread around 750 acre's is among the leading institutions of its type, and is a long-term symbol in the focus on excellence in higher education in India. It was founded by the then Maharaja of Mysore, on July 27, 1916. The University now encompasses 122 affiliated colleges and 5 Constituent Colleges, 37 post graduate departments, 8 specialized research & training centers and 2 post graduate centers that together offer about 55 regular academic programmes with an aggregate of more than 56,000 students.

ABOUT CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL EXCLUSION AND INCLUSIVE POLICY (CSSEIP)
The Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP) is a University Grants Commission (UGC) sponsored research centre functioning in University of Mysore (Karnataka) to conduct research on the issue of social exclusion, which has hypothetical as well as policy importance. The CSSEIP focuses mainly on issues related to social exclusion and inclusion related to Marginalized sections, Tribals, OBC’s, Women, religious minorities, other etc.

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