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(Erstwhile - KALAHANDI UNIVERSITY)

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Concept Note.....

The Post - Cold War era and the subsequent spread of market economies have not only resulted in a massive upsurge in popular demands for national liberation and democracy but have also produced new interest in the theory and practice of democracy. These theatrical deviations have essential implications for the conduct of foreign policy by the governments and NGOs of the developed and developing world. The seminar theme unfolds arguments through a series of propositions, examines how and why democratic civil societies should constitute the new world order in the domain of neo liberal populist regime.

Global capitalism appears to be retaining democracy under substantial stress. Inequality, insecurity, and interdependence have pitched globally and seem to be vital sources of Political Polarisation . Populist challenges including the left and the right, to democratic constitutional processes have been emerging around the world. Political chaos is captivating place not only in poorer countries with weakly institutionalized political systems, but also in advanced industrial countries which were thought to have stable democratic systems. This in turn is having large effects on world politics. Change and instability domestically reverberations onto the international system are causing thoughtful land twisting changes extensively. We are witnessing upheavals in the existing global order based on multi lateral neoliberalism. These challenges have all been amplified by the coronavirus pandemic. Global problems and domestic turmoil are now intermixed and reinforcing one another. The shock to both globalization and liberal democracies may be overwhelming.

The ethno-populist Democratic political systems have been tussling with major challenges in the past few decades. The global financial crisis of 2008 and the slow recovery from it, worldwide migration surges, extensive globalization, and the rise of fake news via social media have all produced forces that seem to threaten liberal democracy Many stable political systems including India refacing dramatic changes including events like the 2016 and 2024U.S. presidential elections of Donald Trump, Brexit, rising support for anti-system parties like France's National Front, the Five Star Movement, and the League in Italy, and the Alternative for Germany, Bolsonaro, and his extreme right party's (the Alliance for Brazil) victory in Brazil, and Modi's Hindu nationalist BJP government in India(2014 onwards),as well as the enduring role in government of illiberal parties like Hungary's Fidesz leader Viktor Orban, Duterte's PDP-Laban in the Philippines, and Poland's governing Law and Justice party.

As of 2020, democracy still prevailed in a majority of countries in the world (ninety-two countries), but no longer for a majority of the world's population, accounting for only 32 percent of the world's population. However, the decline of democracy within countries continues and now affects twenty-five countries. Because of that, over one-third of the global population lives in countries under going increasing autocratization . Since 2011, this designation of countries in a stage of democratization has diminished by nearly half, with sixteen being the most recent estimate. "The 'third wave of autocratization' is accelerating, now engulfing 25 countries and 34% of the world population (2.6 billion)".

What is the fundamental source of numerous of these changes and challenges? The concept argues that it is the interaction of liberal democracy and global capitalism. The relationship between capitalism and democracy has been a longstanding issue, and many of the themes here have been dealt with by various other scholars, including Karl Marx, Max Weber, Joseph Schumpeter, Robert Dahl, and Charles Lindblom. The theme will endeavour to search out new perspectives to this old debate: a more global one and one focused more on the current technological state i.e. digital revolution and Artificial Intelligence(AI). The historical context in which globalization and liberal democracy are interacting has transformed.

Call for Abstract/Paper:

The paper for conference devotes on the inter-disciplinary subjects with broader areas of Capitalism, Global Inequality, Changing Trends of Democracy, Changing Nature of Geo- Politics, Capitalism, ethnic Democracy, Global Governance and trends in contemporary foreign policies. The subthemes and guidelines for the paper and abstracts are cited below.

Themes and Sub-Themes

1. Changing Trends of Democracy
 - a. Secularism vs. Theocracy in Democratic Governance
 - b. Religious Influence on Electoral Processes
 - c. The Rise of Religious Nationalism
 - d. Minority Rights in Religious Democracies
 - e. Theocratic Justifications for Policy-Making
 - f. Globalization and Religious Pluralism in Democracies
 - g. Feminism and Contemporary Democracy

2. Capitalism Democracy and Global Governance

- a. Neo-liberal Policy and Structural Adjustment**
- b. Corporate Power and Transitional Influence**
- c. Sustainable Capitalism and Green Economy**
- d. Democracy and Global Institutions like the UN& WTO etc.**
- e. Populism and Democratic Erosion its Impact on Democratic Structure**
- f. Global Governance and Power Dynamics**
- g. Human Rights and Global Governance in Capitalist Democracy**

3. Foreign Policy in Contemporary World

- a. Foreign Policy and SAARC**
- b. Foreign Policy and East Asian Countries**
- c. Foreign Policy and ASEAN**
- d. Foreign Policy and Middle East**
- e. Foreign Policy and USA**
- f. Foreign Policy and Russia**
- g. Foreign Policy and Latin America**
- h. Foreign Policy and European Countries**
- i. Foreign Policy and Oceania**
- j. Soft Power and Cultural Diplomacy**
- k. Foreign Policy and Viksit Bharat in Amrit Kal**

4. Changing Nature of Geo-Politics

- a. Geo-politics of Energy and Resources**
- b. Geo-politics Diplomacy in Indian Ocean Region**
- c. Geo-political Implication of Climate Change**
- d. Role of Non-state actors in Geo-politics**
- e. Geo-politics Diplomacy in Indo-pacific Region**

Abstract / Paper Submission Guideline

We invite individual papers under the aforementioned subthemes.

1. Word limit for abstract submission is 300 words highlighting keywords
2. Full papers should be within 3000 to 4000 words.
3. Style: Times New Roman ,12 point font (1.5 line spacing)
4. Reference Style: APA Style.

Send your abstracts before 20 th January 2025 and full papers before 20th January 2025 to: mmuinternationalconf2025@gmail.com

Presentation Mode

The Conference will be held in Hybrid Mode (both Physical and Online Mode*). Certificates will be provided to the participants who have presented papers in the conference

Online Mode -Only for International Presenter*

Note Selected abstracts will be published in seminar proceeding and full papers of those abstracts will be published in an edited volume published by a reputed publisher with ISBN No.

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date for abstract submission:	20.01.2025
Confirmation of Abstracts Acceptance:	22.01.2025
Submission of full paper:	25.01.2025

Conference Dates: 30.01.2025 & 31.01.2025

Registration Fee

For Faculty presenters: ₹1000

For Research Scholar presenters: ₹500

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Registration Form

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For Participant: <https://forms.gle/6aJ2zK5qE8u9Gz5V7>

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About MaaManikeshwari University, Bhawanipatna:

Maa Manikeshwari University (formerly Kalahandi University) is one of the youngest state universities under the Higher Education Department of Odisha. The university located at the district head-quarter Bhawanipatna came into existence on September 1, 2020, with an up gradation from the status of an Autonomous College conferred in 2002 and also upgraded from Govt. College (Autonomous) Bhawanipatna, 1960. As an affiliating university, it serves the needs of 60 colleges in the tribal-dominated districts of Kalahandi and Nuapada. The University offers Undergraduate, Post-Graduate, and PhD degrees in as many as 23 subjects including languages, humanities, social sciences, science, business studies, and commerce. The University is located 401 km south of the state capital Bhubaneswar. While it fulfills the needs and aspirations of the region, it strongly believes in playing a significant role in nation-building by connecting Kalahandi to other parts of the world and driving home the best of brains and practices from across the world. Further, since the motto of the university is “Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve”, the university fosters an ambiance of holistic development for its students so that they can be equipped with the skills required to face the complexities of the modern world and serve society. The University has signed 14 MoUs with KISS University, Bhubaneswar; Govt. College of Engineering, Kalahandi; BuleHora University, Ethiopia; Odisha Biodiversity Board, Bhubaneswar; ShyamLal College, Delhi University under VidyaVistar Scheme; IBRAD, Kolkata; BITFE University; District Education Office, Kalahandi; Inlibnet Centre, Gujarat, OUAT, Bhawanipatna; India Study Centre and Marginalised and Endangered Worldviews Study Centre, University College Cork, National University of Ireland, Cork and Centre for Youth & Social Development, Bhubaneswar and 5 MoUs are in pipeline.

About Department of Political Science, MMU:

The Department of Political Science (2020) is the leading institution of teaching and research in the field of Political Theory, Philosophy and Indian Government and Politics. The University shall endeavour to promote the study of the principles including national integration, social justice, secularism, democratic way of life, international understanding and scientific approach to the problems of society.


Since its inception, the M.A. and M.Phil. programmes were developed so as to combine the requirement of adequate training in the essentials of Political Science while retaining a multidisciplinary perspective. Over the years, the Department has emerged as a dynamic and innovative department, which has pioneered new courses and experimented with new modes of teaching and learning. The M.A. programme encourages students to develop their skills and dispositions to actively participate in all aspects of democratic life that include the ability to think critically and to have commitment to some core democratic values .


The Department has also stressed, and provided to its students, a theoretical foundation necessary to analyze modes of domination and subordination, and overt and covert forms of expressions of power, politics and polarization.


The Department is located in the Faculty of Arts, MMU. It was founded in 1960 and has since then become a major department for focusing on issues critical to India, to south Asia and Asia, and often to the rest of the world. The department also provides research programmes in M.A. and M. Phil/PhD in politics. The graduate program, which has entered into an exciting period of expansion, offers several new perspectives alongside more traditional instruction in the study of politics. It currently has one of the most intellectually diverse political science programmes in the world. As far as the NEP -2020 is concerned, the department also offers Multidisciplinary courses including Human Rights, Indian Administration and Peace and Conflict studies as well as Minors Courses – Introduction to Constitution of India, Comparative Governments and Colonialism and nationalism in India for the innovative idea and contextualization of social value for UG students.

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Maa Manikeshwari University is about 401 km in the south from the state capital Bhubaneswar

 **1) Air Connectivity -** The nearest Airports are Utkela Airport, Kalahandi, BijuPattnaik International Airport, Bhubaneswar and Swami Vivekanada Airport, Raipur Visakhapatnam International Airport, Andhra Pradesh.

 **2) Railway Connectivity-** The University is only 2 km away from the Bhawanipatna railway station. People traveling from other parts of Odisha and state can also use Kesinga railway station (34 kms) or Titlagarh railway station (50 kms) to reach Bhawanipatna.

 **3) Road Connectivity-** Night coach buses also fly to Bhawanipatna from Bhubaneswar and other cities in the state



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