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SANT GAHIRA GURU VISHWAVIDYALAYA,
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A One Day National Seminar

on

“Education, Skills and Employment Opportunities
in Rural India: Challenges, Prospects and Policy
Interventions”

(Hybrid Mode)

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About College

Govt. Collage Ramanujnagar is an institute of higher education, situated in the district of Surajpur. The collage was established in the year 2008 with the undergraduate program in the discipline of arts, science and commerce. It is affiliated to Sant Gahira Guru University, Sarguja, Ambikapur , chhatisgarh. Starting with merely handful of 81 students in the mangal bhawan of Ramanujnagar, the college, today owns its own building, spacious campus and has about 700 students who are persevering to give meaning to their life.

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About Seminar

Rural India constitutes a significant portion of the country's population and plays a crucial role in its socio-economic development. However, the rural sector continues to face persistent challenges in terms of access to quality education, skill development, and adequate employment opportunities.

In the context of globalization and technological advancement, the nature of employment is rapidly changing, demanding new skills and competencies. Unfortunately, rural youth often lack access to modern education systems and vocational training, resulting in unemployment, under-employment, and migration to urban areas.

This seminar aims to critically examine the interrelationship between education, skill development, and employment opportunities in rural India, and explore sustainable pathways for inclusive growth.



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Themes of the Seminar

Education in Rural India

- Access, equity, and quality of rural education
- School infrastructure and teacher availability
- Dropout rates and gender disparities
- Higher education opportunities in rural areas
- Role of government schemes in improving education
- Community participation and local governance in education

Skill Development and Vocational Training

- Effectiveness of skill development programs (e.g., PMKVY)
- Vocational education and training (VET) systems
- Industry–academia collaboration
- Skill gap analysis in rural labor markets
- Traditional skills vs. modern technical skills
- Certification and employability

Employment Structure in Rural Areas

- Agricultural employment and its transformation
- Non-farm employment opportunities
- Informal sector and gig economy in rural India
- Seasonal employment and disguised unemployment
- Migration and its impact on rural employment

Entrepreneurship and Rural Economy

- Promotion of rural entrepreneurship and startups
- Role of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)
- Self-help groups (SHGs) and cooperative models
- Access to finance and credit facilities
- Agribusiness and value chain development

Social Inclusion and Equity

- Women empowerment through education and skills
- Inclusion of marginalized communities (SC/ST/OBC)
- Youth engagement and participation
- Addressing regional disparities
- Role of NGOs and civil society

Future Prospects and Innovations

- Green jobs and sustainable rural development
- Role of Artificial Intelligence and automation
- Smart villages concept
- Skill-based education reforms
- Integration of traditional knowledge with modern innovation

Call for Papers

Papers are invited from the Academicians, Researchers, Scholars and Research students on the issues related relevant areas of study. Abstracts would be reviewed by the organizing committee review group. It is also proposed that the selected papers will be published as the form of an edited book with ISBN.

Procedure for Participation

Interested participants are required to submit the abstract (not more than 300 words) 25.03.2026 to the email id: principalramanujagar@rediffmail.com All abstract shall contain following information:

- Name of the Author
- Designation
- Email id
- Contact No.
- Full corresponding address

Guidelines for Paper Submission

Shortlisted abstract's author will be requested to submit full paper. Paper should not be of more than 3000 words and must be accompanied by a brief profile of the author indicating his / her email ID, contact number and official address. It must be typed in Times New Roman (English) and Kruti Dev 010 (Hindi) on A4 size paper using MS Word. It is mandatory for all participants to register for this national seminar.

Fee Details:

Faculty: - Rs. 300, Research Scholar: - Rs. 200, Students: - Rs. 100

Objectives of the Seminar

- To analyze the current status of education in rural India.
- To evaluate the effectiveness of skill development initiatives.
- To identify employment opportunities available in rural areas.
- To examine the gap between education, skills, and job market requirements.
- To suggest policy measures for improving rural employment outcomes.

Significance of the Seminar

This seminar is significant because:

- A large proportion of India's workforce resides in rural areas.
- Youth unemployment is a growing concern.
- Government initiatives like Skill Development and Digital India depend heavily on rural participation.
- It contributes to inclusive and sustainable development goals.