NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CULTURE OF NON-VIOLONCE AND DECENCY :

2nd & 3rd January 2019

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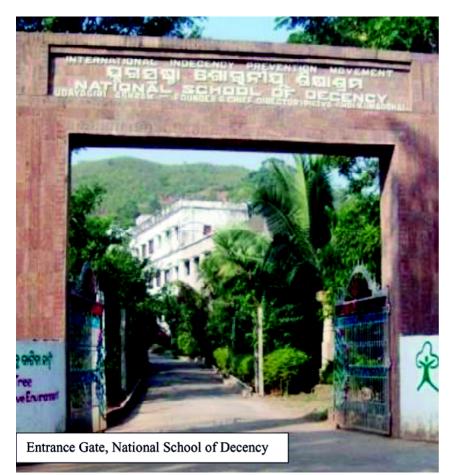


National School of Decency, International Indecency Prevention Movement Udayagiri, Jajpur, Odisha, India

Knowledge partner : P.G. Department of History, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar

Sub-themes:

- 1. Youth, Identity and the Idea of Non-violence & Decency.
- 2. The Doctrine of Non-violence: Gandhi, Buddha, Gopabandhu & Kumar Bhai.
- 3. Non-violence & Decency in oriental philosophy.
- 4 The culture of Decency : The meeting-point between the East & the West.
- 5. The philosophy of Kumar Bhai : Mass awareness, Decency, spirituality & Patriotism.



- 6. The ideology of Kumar Bhai & the establishment of "Sovaniya Sikhyashram"
- 7. SIKHYASHRAMS : Sabarmati & Sovaniya.
- 8. The Environmental Awareness : Gandhiji & Kumar Bhai.
- 9. The Empowerment of Women : The practice of Non-violence & Decency.
- 10. The secret to peace & Happiness : Kumar Bhai's principle of Decency.

Apart from these, one can choose any other topic relating to Nonviolence & Decency.

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Concept Note

When earth, water and air is polluted, how can we dream for a decent society. When there are castes, races and exclusion on the basis of caste and race, how can we dream for a decent society. When the whole ecology and society is facing challenges such as impure environment, from where will we start purity is the question. Kumar Bhai, a 20th century reformer and philosopher stated that self-purification is the best purification and it will help the human beings to have a decent society to live.

Many social science scholars argue that Kumar Bhai's idea of Decent Society has a connection with Gandhian thoughts, whether it is casteless society, village cottage industries, new education, non-violence world peace. On the occasion of 150 years of Gandhi's birthday, we thought to explore connection between Gandhian thoughts and Kumar Bhai's idea of Decent Society. However, it's not limited to comparative study. Rather, we will explore other philosophies, thoughts and ideas, which can help to bring a decent society. They may be Tagore, Gopabandhu, Marx, Ambedkar, Freire.

About the Organisation :

The International Indecency Prevention Movement (popularly known as Sovaniya Andolan) was started by Kumar Bhai on 8 April 1962. Since then, the movement is working with the mission to bring a blissful change in the society. To spread the noble memo of the mission, National School of Decency was established on 1 January 1974 at Udayagiri- a historically importance Buddhist tourist place in Odisha.

Instructions for Paper Submission :

- 1. Young scholars, especially P.G, MPhil and PhD scholars, Post-doctoral fellows, Assistant Professors and development practitioners are invited to present paper in the conference. However, they must be below the age of 40 as on 1 January 2019.
- 2. Young Scholars are requested to write papers with their supervisors or senior social scientists. However, young scholars will be considered as first authors.
- 3. An abstract will be written in a paragraph, with 200-300 words with up to 4-5 key words in Times New Roman, 12 font size and 1.5 line spacing.
- 4. Include a short bio-note of about 100 words, 50 words for each author, in the footnote.
- 5. Abstracts will be submitted on or before 20th December 2019.
- 6. Selected papers will be published by a national repute publisher.



Travel Allowance and Accommodation :

Young scholars will be given full boarding and lodging from 1 January to 4 January 2019. Sleeper class railway tickets or state bus service tickets will be reimbursed. Accommodation may also be available before/after the programme in case of travel exigencies. Presenters are requested to arrive before 2nd January morning and may leave on 4th January after visiting the Diamond Triangle.

About Diamond Triangle :

Udayagiri-Lalitgiri-Ratnagiri is known as 'Diamond Triangle' and an international Budhist tourist spot. The hills possess the ruins of the most unique Buddhist monastic complex in the world. We have arranged a trip for the scholars to the Diamond Triangle on the morning of 4th January.

How to Reach :

Bhubaneswar and Cuttack are at a distance of around 80 and 60km from Udayagiri. Both Bhubaneswar and Cuttack are well connected with rail and road. There are regular buses available to Udayagiri from Bhubaneswar and Cuttack.

Important Dates :

20 December 2018	:	Last date for submission of Abstract with bio-note
22 December 2018	:	Confirmation and submission of travel plan
2-3 January 2019	:	National Conference
4 January 2019	:	Sight seeing

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