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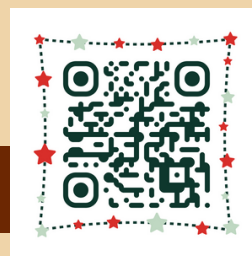
India's rich cultural and ethnic diversity is embodied in its 700+ tribal communities, who have coexisted with nature for generations. Recognized under Article 366(25) and Article 342, these communities constitute 8.6% of the population and have played a vital role in India's history, ecology, and knowledge systems. Despite constitutional safeguards, they continue to face land alienation, displacement, and socio-economic challenges. This conference aims to explore constitutional, legal, social, and policy dimensions of tribal rights, addressing the gap between legal provisions and ground realities. It invites interdisciplinary research and discussions to ensure a holistic understanding of tribal experiences in modern India.

KEY THEMES

- Tribal Autonomy and Governance : 5th & 6th Schedules
- Constitutional Provisions for Tribal Welfare
- PESA and Decentralized Tribal Self-Governance
- Forest Rights and Land Ownership in Tribal Communities
- Legal Systems: Tribal Customary Laws and State Governance
- Landmark Judicial Decisions on Tribal Welfare and Rights
- Representation of Tribal Identity in Media
- Political Participation and Representation
- Tribal Identity and Ethnicity
- Tribal Struggles: Resistance and Challenges
- Tribal Communities and Globalisation
- Issues and Challenges in Tribal Development
- Reframing Tribal Autonomy: Policy and Future Directions

REGISTRATION & ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

- Abstracts should be 300 words or fewer clearly outlining the research objectives, methodology, key findings.
- **Abstract Submission Date extended to 21st March 2025**
- Register and Submit at-
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1M9X5ocrZSRQaSqIYyIPJ6-2wy3Xf2HPULn3DcZ2X9bs/edit?pli=1>



Venue: Department of Anthropology
Conference Date: 24th to 26th March, 2025
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