



## NATIONAL SEMINAR

on

### “Sustainable Development in India: Prospects and Challenges”

*Organised by*

**Department of Economics**

**St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Jakhama, Kohima, Nagaland**

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**Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi**

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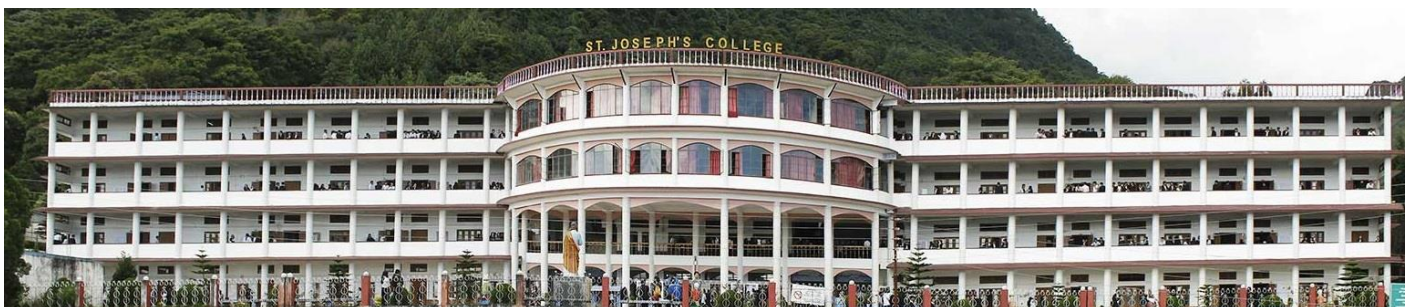
**Venue: St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Jakhama**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**

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## About the College

St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Jakhama, is a Catholic institution of higher education, founded and administered by the Diocese of Kohima, Nagaland. It is situated on a spacious and picturesque campus in Jakhama village, approximately 18 kilometers from Kohima, along National Highway-2. The college was inaugurated on the 19th of March 1985, initially offering Pre-University Courses in Arts, including a Vocational Course, and Commerce. In the same year, it was affiliated to the North Eastern Hill University, Shillong. Following the establishment of a university within the state of Nagaland in July 1994, the college got affiliated with Nagaland University.

Notably, St. Joseph's College is listed among the institutions covered under Section 2(f) & 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956. Furthermore, it has earned re-accreditation from the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with A Grade. In 2018, the UGC granted Autonomous status to the college, reflecting its commitment to academic excellence and self-governance. The college is steadfast in upholding its motto: "Arise and Shine."

Currently, the college has 13 departments offering Honours Courses at the undergraduate level, in Arts, Science, Commerce, and Business Management disciplines. At the postgraduate level the college offers MA degrees in Economics, English, History, Political Science and Sociology respectively. The college has 4000 and above students enrolled in the different academic programs.

## About the Department

St. Joseph's College established the Department of Economics in 2004, with the Economics Honours program at the undergraduate level. In 2020, the college initiated the Master of Arts (MA) in Economics. At present, the department has 300 and above students in its academic programs. The department holds a position of prominence within the college due to its dynamic nature. It not only concentrates on curricular aspects but also places significant emphasis on extracurricular and co-curricular activities to foster the comprehensive development of its students.

Moreover, the department regularly arranges national-level study tours, industrial visits, extension programs, invited talks, and more. These activities are designed to provide students with exposure to dynamic changes occurring in various regions of the country, equipping them with the knowledge needed to address real-world challenges beyond the confines of the college. As epitomized by the department's motto, "Beyond Horizon," its unwavering commitment is to empower students to surpass any limit and achieve great heights.



## Concept Note

Sustainable development, with its emphasis on the harmonious coexistence of economic growth, social equity, and environmental protection, has emerged as a global imperative. As the world grapples with the complex challenges posed by climate change, resource depletion, and social inequality, India stands at a critical juncture in its pursuit of sustainable development. Considering this pressing need, this national seminar on “Sustainable Development in India – Prospects and Challenges” aims to provide a platform for rigorous academic discourse and multidisciplinary engagement on the prospects and challenges of sustainable development in the Indian context. By bringing together renowned scholars, policy experts, practitioners, and stakeholders from various sectors, the seminar seeks to foster a comprehensive understanding of the present state and future trajectories of sustainable development in India.

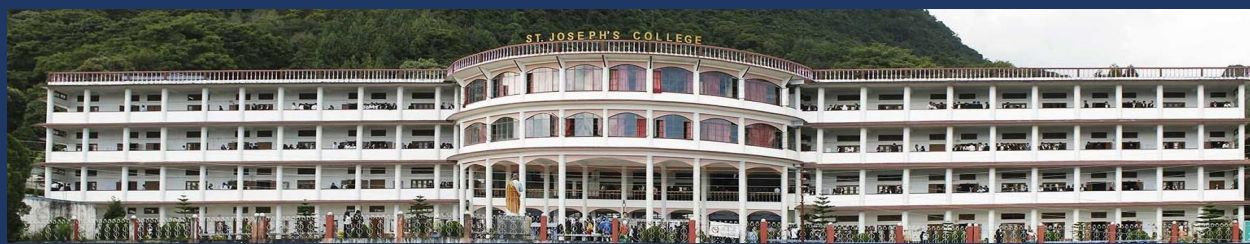
The prospects of sustainable development in India are rooted in its rich socio-economic diversity and natural resources. With its rapidly expanding population, burgeoning urban centers, and vibrant rural communities, India presents a unique laboratory to explore innovative solutions that reconcile development goals with environmental preservation. Furthermore, the seminar will delve into the potential of emerging technologies, policy frameworks, and governance structures that can catalyse sustainable practices across sectors.

However, the path to sustainable development in India is not without challenges. The seminar will provide a critical platform to identify and address these challenges, ranging from inadequate access to basic amenities, socio-economic disparities, resource scarcity, and pollution. Through in-depth discussions, empirical studies, and case analyses, the seminar aims to unravel the complexities surrounding sustainable development in India and devise effective strategies to overcome the hurdles impeding its progress.

By fostering dialogue and exchange of knowledge, the seminar endeavours to bridge the gap between academia, policy, and practice. It will serve as a crucible for intellectual discourse, enabling participants to engage in a meaningful exchange of ideas, methodologies, and best practices. Ultimately, the insights generated from this seminar will contribute to the development of evidence-based policies, actionable recommendations, and innovative approaches that can steer India towards a sustainable future.

## Objectives of the Seminar

1. To provide a platform for scholars, policymakers, practitioners, and experts from various fields to share their ideas, knowledge, and experiences on sustainable development in India.
2. To identify the prospects and challenges of sustainable development in India in the global context.
3. To discuss policy interventions and initiatives required for achieving sustainable development in India.





4. To promote interdisciplinary approaches and collaborations in research on sustainable development in India.
5. To explore innovative methods and approaches for achieving sustainable development in India.

### Sub Topics of the Seminar

1. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and India.
2. Climate change and sustainable development in India.
3. Sustainable agriculture and rural development in India.
4. Sustainable urban development in India.
5. Sustainable energy and power generation in India.
6. Sustainable water resource management in India.
7. Sustainable waste management and circular economy in India.
8. Sustainable tourism and ecotourism in India.
9. Sustainable transportation and mobility in India.
10. Sustainable finance and investment in India.

### Expected Outcomes of the Seminar

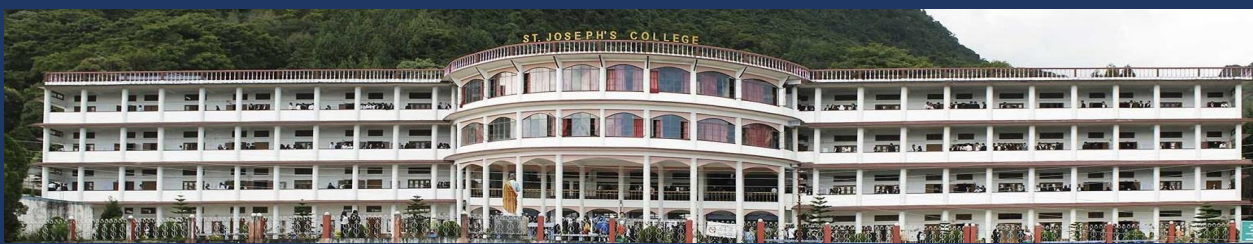
1. To provide a comprehensive understanding of sustainable development prospects and challenges in India.
2. To identify policy interventions required for achieving sustainable development in India.
3. To promote awareness and create a sense of responsibility among scholars, policymakers, practitioners, and experts towards sustainable development in India.
4. To explore opportunities for interdisciplinary approaches and collaborations in research on sustainable development in India.
5. To create a roadmap for promoting and strengthening sustainable development in India.

### Participation

Faculty, academicians, industrialists, Policy makers, and research scholars are invited to participate and present papers in the seminar.

### Guidelines for Submission

1. Abstract should be up to 250 words including the keywords in MS-word format. All submitted abstracts will undergo a blind review.
2. In order to ensure uniformity a word limit of 4500 -6000 words is desired for the full paper. The APA style should be used for citation and references.
3. All documents must be submitted in Microsoft Word format using Times New Roman in font, size 12 with spacing of 1.5 between lines.



4. Paper contributors should clearly mention their name along with their institutional affiliation, current position, email ID and mobile number.
5. It is author's responsibility to ensure that all references and citations are correct, and that the contribution does not contain any material that infringes copyright, or is defamatory, obscene, or otherwise unlawful or litigious. It would be greatly appreciated if the contributor can attach a copy of the plagiarism report with their paper.
6. Abstract and full papers should be submitted to [sjcseminar23@gmail.com](mailto:sjcseminar23@gmail.com)
7. Selected papers will be published in the form of Edited book with ISBN after the seminar.

### Registration and Accommodation

No Registration Fee will be charged and Resource persons/ paper presenters from outside will be given local hospitality by the organiser. So, if accommodation is required, kindly inform in advance.

### Important Dates

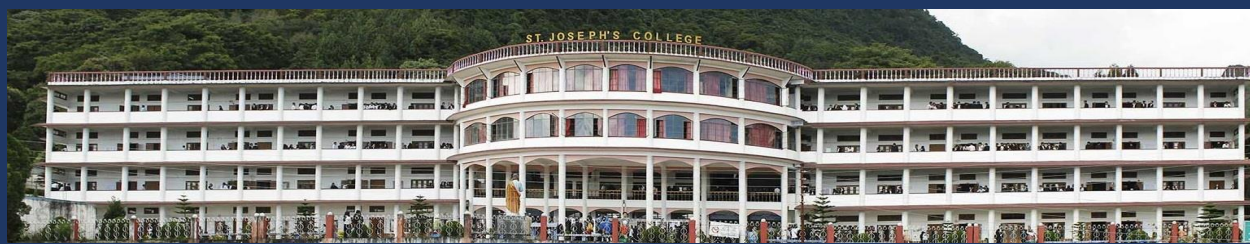
Date of the Seminar	: 10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023
Last date of Abstract Submission	: 22 <sup>nd</sup> October, 2023
Notification of acceptance of Abstract	: 24 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023
Last date of submission of full paper	: 5 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023

### Information

**Temperature** The average daytime temperatures in Jakhama during November typically range from 10°C to 20°C (50°F to 68°F). It can get quite chilly at night, with temperatures dropping further, so it's advisable to bring warm clothing. The relative humidity in Jakhama in November usually ranges from 50% to 70%.

**Nearest Airport** The nearest Airports are Dimapur Airport, Dimapur (Distance is 77.4 km to Jakhama) and Bir Tikendrajit International Airport, Imphal (Distance is 127.1 km to Jakhama). These airports are also connected to Bengaluru, Delhi, Kolkata and Guwahati. From Airport taxis are available to Kohima. Distance from Kohima to Jakhama is 17 km and taxis are available.

**Nearest Railway Station** The nearest railway station is Dimapur Railway station (Distance is 81.9 km to Jakhama) and is well connected to the major cities of our country. From railway station taxis are available to Kohima and Jakhama.



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