

# CALL FOR PAPERS & PARTICIPATION

## International Conference

on  
**Harmonizing Heritage and Horizon:  
Women-Led Development for  
Viksit Bharat @ 2047**

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**By**

**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES  
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SONEPAT, INDIA**

*(First State Women University in North India)*



**Venue:**

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## Concept Note: Harmonizing Heritage and Horizon



As India propels towards the ambitious goal of Viksit Bharat @ 2047, there is a critical need to bridge the dichotomy between preserving indigenous heritage and embracing the technological horizon. This deliberation is essential because it addresses the unique challenge women face in the modern workforce: the pressure to assimilate into a globalized, digital economy often at the cost of their



cultural identity and traditional wisdom. By situating this discourse in the rural heartland of Haryana, the conference highlights the urgency of redefining development not as a departure from roots, but as an evolution of them. It provides a necessary platform to explore how women can lead the transition to a green and digital economy, ensuring that the future workforce is not only technically proficient but also ethically grounded and culturally resilient, thereby making the nation's growth narrative truly inclusive and sustainable.

The concept of “Harmonizing Heritage” resonates deeply with BPSMV’s core mission to assimilate and re-validate traditions, effectively transforming indigenous wisdom into a modern economic engine. In an era of rapid globalization, where indigenous knowledge faces the risk of erosion, this conference seeks to reposition traditional wisdom as a vital economic asset. We invite scholars to explore how age-old practices—from local handloom crafts and indigenous agricultural methods to eco-friendly lifestyles—can be modernized and integrated into the contemporary workforce. This track is a call to action for researchers to demonstrate how cultural legacy can be transformed into entrepreneurial avenues, empowering women to leverage their inherent skills so that their entry into the workforce is an evolution of their identity rather than a departure from their roots.

Looking toward the “Horizon,” the conference aligns with the university’s vision of nurturing socially responsible citizens by equipping women to lead the technology-driven markets of the future with integrity. The future of work demands more than technical proficiency; it requires a deep consciousness of one’s role in society. This dimension focuses on 21st-century imperatives, such as digital literacy, the integration of women into STEM, and the navigation of the gig economy. We seek papers discussing educational frameworks and policy interventions that equip women to be job creators and ethical leaders. The goal is to mold a workforce that is digitally adept yet socially grounded, prepared to lead technology-driven markets with integrity and purpose.

Furthermore, the concept of “Women-Led Sustainable Development” holds immense relevance given BPSMV’s location in the rural heartland of Haryana. This theme acts as a bridge connecting the university’s rustic roots to global economic trends, addressing the need to align rural sustainability—such as environmental stewardship and community resilience—with urban corporate demands. We encourage submissions that examine women as pivotal agents in the transition toward a green economy. By addressing the rural-urban divide, we aim to foster a discourse that is globally relevant yet locally impactful, ensuring that the development of the women’s workforce is holistic, sustainable, and deeply inclusive.

Ultimately, the Faculty of Social Sciences at BPSMV invites scholars, researchers, and practitioners to submit papers that explore this intersection of tradition and modernity. Situated with a specific mandate to uplift women, BPSMV provides the ideal backdrop for a conference dedicated to assimilating traditional wisdom with contemporary economic imperatives. We welcome diverse perspectives that contribute to a holistic vision of women’s empowerment, ensuring that their progress remains sustainable and globally competitive while staying firmly anchored in their heritage.

## Sub-Themes (Tracks)

### **Track 1: Empowerment through Skill Ecosystems**

Moving from education to employability; bridging the skill gap for women in Haryana and beyond.

### **Track 2: Eco-Feminism and Sustainable Livelihoods**

How women can lead the charge in green entrepreneurship, rural development, and climate-resilient practices.

### **Track 3: Diversity in Leadership & Corporate Governance**

Strategies for breaking the glass ceiling in corporate governance, financial inclusion, and public policy.

### **Track 4: Social Responsibility & Ethics**

Aligning with the university's goal of creating "socially conscious" citizens through ethical business and social practices.

### **Track 5: Women in STEM & Digital Innovation**

Bridging the gender gap in technology; innovations in computer science, physics, chemistry, and mathematics for a sustainable future.

### **Track 6: Legal Frameworks, Human Rights & Gender Justice**

Analyzing laws regarding workplace safety, maternity benefits, property rights, and the protection of women in the workforce.

### **Track 7: Literary Expressions, Culture & Media**

Representation of women in literature, media, and performing arts; re-validating traditional knowledge systems and indigenous languages.

### **Track 8: Pedagogical Innovations in Education & Sports**

Transforming teacher education for the 21st century; promoting women's wellness, physical education, and sports as a career pathway.

### **Track 9: Health, Nutrition & The Care Economy**

Addressing women's health in the workforce, nursing leadership, nutritional security, and the economic value of the care sector.

### **Track 10: Women in Hospitality, Tourism & Design**

Exploring opportunities for women in the service industry, fashion technology, and sustainable tourism management.

### **Track 11: History, Archaeology & Cultural Heritage**

Unearthing the role of women in historical narratives; preserving archaeological heritage and aligning traditional history with modern economic development.

### **Track 12: Psychology, Well-being & Social Behaviour**

Understanding the psychological barriers to women's empowerment; addressing mental health, resilience, and behavioural dynamics in the modern workforce.

*Note: The themes listed above are indicative; participants are encouraged to submit any abstract or paper related to women-led development or transformation at BPSMV.*

## About Bhagat Phool Singh Mahila Vishwavidyalaya (BPSMV)

Established in 2006 in Khanpur Kalan, Haryana, BPSMV is a transformative landmark as North India's first state women's university. Carrying forward the 1936 visionary legacy of Bhagat Phool Singh—who championed female literacy in a conservative rural landscape—the institution provides a seamless educational continuum from KG to PhD. By bridging the rural-urban divide, BPSMV empowers first-generation learners to become socially responsible leaders. Its core philosophy blends traditional values with modern professional excellence, ensuring that students remain deeply rooted in their heritage while successfully navigating the complexities of global markets.

The university fosters a unique “Women-Led Sustainable Development” model by integrating indigenous wisdom, such as Ayurvedic medicine and handloom crafts, with 21st-century imperatives like STEM and digital literacy. With a diverse academic portfolio spanning Engineering, Humanities, and Social Sciences, BPSMV functions as a catalyst for inclusive growth and social change. By transforming students from job seekers into ethical entrepreneurs and innovators, the institution proves that geographical location is no barrier to global relevance, preparing women to lead tomorrow's technology-driven industries with integrity and purpose.

## About the Faculty of Social Sciences, BPSMV

The Faculty of Social Sciences at BPSMV serves as the university's intellectual cornerstone, fostering a multidisciplinary environment across departments like Economics, Social Work, and Psychology. Through Master's and Doctoral programs, alongside add-on courses via CSUIR, the faculty bridges the rural-urban divide with a curriculum that blends indigenous wisdom with modern policy and STEM-integrated research. Demonstrating its academic leadership, the faculty has organized key international conferences, including “Sino-US Trade War: A Potential Threat to World Peace” (2018), “Emerging Paradigms in Social Sciences Research” (2019), and “Role of Higher Education Institutions in Advancing Sustainable Development Goals” (2022). Rooted in Haryana, the Faculty empowers young women to become socially conscious agents of change. It equips students with analytical tools for globalized, technology-driven markets while remaining deeply committed to ethical leadership, inclusive growth, and the preservation of India's rich cultural heritage.

## Submission Guidelines

**Abstract Submission:** Authors are invited to submit an abstract of 250-300 words, clearly stating the objectives, methodology, and key findings of the paper.

**Best Paper Award:** Best paper awards will be given in each track.

**Important Date:** Last Date for Abstract-Paper Submission and Registration is March 15, 2025.

**Registration and fee:**



Registration fee	Faculty	Research Scholars	PG/UG students
	1000/-	750/-	500/-

**Note:**

- 1. The registration fee must be paid at the time of abstract or paper submission.*
- 2. All fees are final and non-refundable.*
- 3. Each author and co-author is required to register separately.*
- 4. Authors and co-authors may submit a maximum of two papers.*
- 5. Even if submitting two papers, an author only needs to register and pay once.*

**Link to Submit Abstract and fee payment:** <https://forms.gle/8Ycn99jjiruA2Sob8>



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