Conference on Developmental Imperatives for Bihar: Challenges and Opportunities Tentative Schedule

Date: 17 January 2025 (Friday) **Venue:** Chandragupt Institute of Management Patna

Time	Session	Description
10:00 – 11:15 AM	Inaugural Session	 Welcome Address About the conference Address by chief guest Keynote Address
11:15 – 11:30 AM	Hi-Tea	
11:30 – 02:00 AM	Technical session I	This session will feature 8 invited research paper presentations focusing on the critical developmental imperatives for Bihar. Themes:
		1. Economic Transformation, Entrepreneurship, and Industrialisation
		 Strategies for boosting industrial growth and creating employment opportunities.
		 Enhancing MSMEs and promoting entrepreneurship in Bihar.
		 Infrastructure development: Bridging the gaps in connectivity, energy, and logistics.
		Resource Person Suggested:
		 Prof. D M Diwakar Former Director and Professor of Economics, A. N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna Dr. Deepak Kumar Behera HOD and Associate professor Humanities and Social Science, NIT Patna
		2. Agriculture and Rural Development
		 Addressing rural poverty: Enhancing livelihoods and social protection in rural areas.
		Leveraging technology for agricultural growth and food security.
		Role of the financial sector: Enabling credit access and financial inclusion to support agriculture and rural development.

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		Resource Person Suggested:
		 Prof. Aviral Pandey Assistant professor, A. N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna Dr. Birendra Prasad Yadav, I.A.S Special Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Govt. of Bihar Shri Binay Kumar Sinha CGM, NABARD Prof. Sunil Kumar Professor of Practice, CIMP
		3. Education, Healthcare, and Human Development
		Improving access to quality education and vocational training.
		• Strengthening healthcare infrastructure and services, especially in rural areas.
		Addressing malnutrition, maternal and child health, and sanitation challenges.
		Resource Person Suggested:
		 Prof. Aditya Mohanty Assistant Professor, Department of Sociological Studies, Central University of South Bihar Prof. S. Senapati Associate Professor, CIMP Shri Aditya Prakash, IAS Additional Secretary Health Department, Govt. of Bihar
		4. Environment, Sustainability, and Climate Resilience
		Promoting renewable energy and sustainable development practices.
		Building climate resilience: Strategies for disaster management and mitigation.
		 Conservation of natural resources and biodiversity in Bihar.
		Resource Person Suggested:
		 Shri. Bharat Jyoti, IFS (Retd.) Chairman, Bihar State Biodiversity Board Prof. Atul Aditya Pandey Professor & Former head, Department of Geology, Patna University

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		Former chairman, State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Bihar • Mr. Sanjay Srivastava Chief of Disaster Risk Reduction UN Economic and Social Commission.
		5. Governance, Policy, and Institutional Reforms
		Enhancing governance and institutional capacity for better service delivery.
		Policy reforms for inclusive growth and poverty alleviation.
		Public-private partnerships and collaborations for development.
		Resource Person Suggested:
		Prof. Sudhanshu Kumar Associate Professor, Bihar Institute of Public Finance and Policy (BIPFP)
		Format
		• Presentation Time: 15 minutes per paper
		Discussion: 30 minutes post all presentations. The discussion will aim to synthesize insights from the presentations and drive comprehensive policy recommendations for Bihar's sustainable development.
02:00 – 02:45 PM	Lunch	
02:45 – 04:00 PM	Panel Discussion	Panel discussion by sector experts from State Transformation Cell/Academia/Civil Societies emphasizing the sectoral challenges and key policy recommendations for developed Bihar by year 2047
		Format
		Moderated by an expert from academia.
04:00 – 04:15 AM	Hi-Tea	
04:15 – 05:00 PM	Valedictory, Way Forward, and Certificate Distribution	 Valedictory Address Way Forward Certificate Distribution Vote of Thanks