



## ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPER

### BEA 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference

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In collaboration with the Department of Economics Vidyasagar University

**Bangiya Arthaniti Parishad (Bengal Economic Association) announces the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of the Parishad** in collaboration with the Department of Economics Vidyasagar University On 12<sup>th</sup> And 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2022. **Professor Abhirup Sarkar** of the Economic Research Unit, Indian Statistical Institute , Kolkata is the **Conference President**. Large number of teachers ,scholars and researchers from Economics and related disciplines of social sciences, from different parts of India and abroad, are likely to participate in the prestigious two day national event. In addition to the presentation of research papers by scholars in technical sessions, special lectures by eminent Economists of the country in the form of **S.N.Sen Memorial lecture, A.K.Dasgupta Memorial Lecture, Giribala Karmakar Memorial lectures** plus a symposium on *Contemporary Farmers' Plights* will constitute the major feature of this conference. There shall also be special lectures and presentations from different fields and organizations . The conference is being arranged in the *on line* mode as a WEBINAR in conformity with the new normal situation created by the pandemic and associated distortions/disruptions.

#### About the Theme

Theme of the Seminar is **Transformation Of The Indian Economy**

The transformation of Indian Economy from an economic laggard to one of the most rapidly growing economies in the world is a burning issue in the academic arena. Between 1975 and 1990, the country's economic growth accelerated at a rate higher than 5 percent and then increased to more than 6 percent after 1992. Subsequently, the Indian economy grew at 8.8 percent between 2003 and 2007, and thereby transformed itself into one of the fastest- growing economies in the world along with China. In the aftermath of the global financial crisis, India continued to grow more rapidly (6.7% during 2008–9) than all the major Asian economies, except China. To address these questions, it is necessary to trace how India embarked upon this growth path resulted from the strategies pursued by its policy makers in the regime of globalization and liberalization.

Historically, an economy would undergo structural changes when growing: agriculture's contribution to the gross domestic product would decline steadily, industry's contribution would rise steadily and compensate, and later, the services sector would follow. Contrary to this

historical pattern, the services sector has bypassed the industrial sector in India, and it dominates the economy. An empirical analysis of the nature and causes of structural change in the Indian economy shows that the industry and the economy are driven by the services sector, and the sector's growth and dominance is influenced by external factors, such as foreign direct investment.

Moreover, India's economy has accelerated sharply since the late 1980's, but agriculture has not. The rural population and labour force continue to rise, and rural-urban migration remains slow. Despite a rising labour productivity differential between non-agriculture and agriculture, limited rural-urban migration and slow agriculture growth, urban-rural consumption, income, and poverty differentials have not been rising. Urban-rural spillovers have become important drivers of the rapidly growing rural non-farm sector.

Under this backdrop the seminar/ Webinar calls for paper under the sub-themes:

**a. Three Decades of Economic Reforms in India :** We have already operated under the Economic Reforms paradigm for three decades, and a review and evaluation of the progress of the economy and its sectors and people are in order at this stage.

**b. Agricultural Marketing and Farming Problems:** This is a contemporary problem that have many dimensions that have surfaced in contemporary discourses of the political economy of India's development and transformation.

**c. Social Sector Infrastructure and Development in India:** The pandemic has exposed the stark inadequacies and developments of human and physical infrastructure in the field of health and education and public policies in this regard require critical evaluation.

**Call for Papers:** You are requested kindly to contribute your original research papers for the seminar along with an Abstract of around 500 words within January 31, 2022 (positively) on any aspect of the above theme, and send them to the Secretary, Bangiya Arthaniti Parishad at [bap.bea1980@gmail.com](mailto:bap.bea1980@gmail.com). The registration fee of Rs 200/- (Rupees Two hundred only) Rs 100/- (Rupees Two hundred only) per participant [except for Invited Speakers and Guests] may kindly be sent to the S/B a/c of the Bangiya Arthaniti Parishad at Punjab Nation Bank, Ganguly Bagan Branch by NEFT or GOOGLE PAY. The Savings Bank A/C No is **0364010287371 with IFSC Code :PUNB0036420**.

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