

Seminar Schedule

Inaugural Session	10.30 a.m. to 11.30a.m.	Hon. Prin. Abhaykumar Salunkhe, Chairman, Shri Swami Vivekanand Shikshan Sanstha, Kolhapur Hon. Prin. Mrs. Shubhangi Gavade, Secretary, Shri Swami Vivekanand Shikshan Sanstha, Kolhapur
Key-note Speech	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.	
	Key -note Speaker	Prof. Gopal Guru, Editor, Economic and Political Weekly, New Delhi
Session I	12:30 pm to 1:30 pm	
	Guest Speaker "Neo - liberalism and Welfare"	Prof. Dr. P.S. Kamble, Professor, Department of Economics, Shivaji University, Kolhapur.
Lunch Break	1.30 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	
Session II	2.15 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.	
	Guest Speaker "The Politics of Social Welfare in India; the Current Moment"	Prof. D. U. Pawar Former Dean, Social Sciences. Shivaji University, Kolhapur.
Session III	3.30p.m. to 4.30p.m.	Paper Reading Session
Valedictory Session	4.30 p.m. to 5.00p.m.	

"How long shall we continue to live this life of contradictions? How long shall we continue to deny equality in our social and economic life? If we continue to deny it for long, we will do so only by putting our political democracy in peril."

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar



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Our college has been securing the first place for last twenty years by winning maximum number of Shivaji University Merit Scholarships. The faculty of the college excel in community-oriented research. Till date in all 27 minor and major research projects are undertaken by the faculties.

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The Theme of the Seminar:

India formally inaugurated neoliberal reforms in its economy in 1991. Liberalization of economy in India has persisted steadily but sluggishly. Neo-liberal policies and integration with the world economy have affected social and political life in India variously and deeply. Turn toward markets and corporatization affects the life conditions of workers as citizenry. The welfare function of the State provides the necessary cushion in the economic and social transformation that takes place with liberalization. The social welfare becomes an all the more important aspect of policy and politics when at the same time liberalization is equated with decline of the welfare state. In this context, it becomes necessary to probe into the nature of neo-liberal reforms in India, their impact and the nature, content and impact on the lives of citizens.

The seminar aims to contribute to the public discourse on neo-liberal economic policy and the welfare role of the State in the context of their interaction and inter-relation. This is an attempt to substantiate the inter-disciplinary dimension of this issue. Though its independence is valued, economic policy cannot separate itself from social and political accountability and on the other hand, too much politicization of welfare policies creates challenges for economy and democracy. The seminar aims to throw light on the possibility of rational and socially accountable balance in economic and social policy of the State in the context of neo-liberalism.

The turn toward liberalization in the 1980s has been explained variously, including in terms of the changes in coalition of the dominant classes, that is changing nature of the social character of the State. Neo-liberal reforms do not pertain only to economic policies but imply changes in the organization and functioning of State institutions to align them to market rationality (Joseph 2007). The problems faced by developmental state in the world and India created legitimacy for the neo-liberal reforms in the economic sector. On the other hand, democracy is believed to be linked to the welfare demands which create pressure of the resource capacity of the state.

Subthemes:

1. The current neo-liberal policy turns in India
2. The impact of international political economy on the current Indian policies

3. The changing social character of the Indian State
4. Welfare as a right of citizens
5. The nature of welfare policies in India
6. The role of welfare in the political outcome of elections
7. The status of economic rights in India
8. The impact of democratic politics on welfare rights of citizens
9. The interaction between the political and economic rights
10. The way forward in economic rights
11. Neo-Liberal reforms and Indian Financial System

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