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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Indigenous Knowledge,
Decolonial Turn, and Social
Development in the Global South

DATE & VENUE

6th - 7th September 2025

STATE AGRICULTURAL
MANAGEMENT & EXTENSION
TRAINING INSTITUTE SHIMLA
HIMACHAL PRADESH

(HYBRID MODE)

About the Conference

IKATRIT'25 aims to bring together scholars, practitioners, activists, and policymakers to engage in critical dialogue on the relevance and resurgence of Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS) in shaping equitable and sustainable futures. Rooted in the lived experiences of historically marginalized communities, indigenous knowledge offers alternative paradigms of development that challenge the dominance of Eurocentric models. The conference seeks to explore how decolonial approaches can reframe social policies, educational practices, and community development across the Global South. Through interdisciplinary discussions and collaborative inquiry, the event will provide a platform to recognize and preserve mainstream indigenous epistemologies while fostering inclusive social transformation.

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The open house session

Candidates who wish present their work but find that it does not align with the specified categories of the conference are encouraged to participate by registering under the "Open House" category. This platform is designed to accommodate diverse and interdisciplinary research, fostering innovation and creativity. It provides an opportunity for participants showcase their unique contributions, exchange ideas, and engage with a broader audience. By registering the Open House, under presenters can ensure that their work receives the visibility and appreciation it merits.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Research papers can align with the following themes:

- Indigenous agricultural practices and food systems
- Traditional ecological knowledge and sustainability
- Decolonization of knowledge and education
- Oral traditions, folklore, and cultural memory
- Indigenous languages and epistemologies
- Community-based and experiential learning models
- Indigenous health systems and healing practices
- Role of Ayurveda and ethnomedicine
- Indigenous governance, leadership, and customary law
- Resistance and revival of vernacular knowledge
- Integration of Indian Knowledge Systems in English Curriculum
- Cultural Nationalism and the Repositioning of English Studies
- Decolonised Literature in Global South
- Integrating Storytelling to explore Decolonisation and Social Development within the Indian Knowledge System
- Intersection of caste, gender, and indigeneity
- Youth and innovation in indigenous futures
- Use of digital tools for preserving indigenous knowledge
- South-South indigenous solidarity and comparative studies
- Policy frameworks for indigenous development
- Role of indigenous knowledge in climate action
- Art, performance, and indigenous expression
- Indigenous knowledge in urban and diasporic contexts
- Any other pertinent topic/theme is welcome

Fees and Important Deadlines (In-Person Mode)

	Early Bird (till August 15, 2025)	Regular (till August 31, 2025)	On the Spot Registration
Registration Fees Technical Session	Rs. 1450	Rs. 1650	Rs. 2200
Registeration Fees Open House Session	Rs. 1750	Rs. 1950	Rs. 2200
Accomodation	Rs. 2000 (per night)	Rs. 2500 (per night)	Rs. 3500(per night according to room availability)

Publication Fees: Rs. 1000/- in edited ebook with ISBN and DOI

Last Date for Registration	August 31, 2025	
Full Manuscript Submission	September 15,2025	
Conference Dates	September 6 th -7 th , 2025	

Fees and Important Deadlines (Onlime Mode)

	For Single Author	For Two Authors	For Mote than Two authors	
Registration Fees Technical Session	Rs. 500	Rs. 750	Rs. 1000	
Registeration Fees Open House Session	Rs. 800	Rs. 900	Rs. 1200	
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Please Note: Open House Presenters are not eligible for publication

Submission Guidelines

Abstract Submission

- Submission Format: Abstracts for paper presentations are to be submitted in .docx format only.
- Originality: The abstract must not have been submitted to any previous conference. Abstracts may, but are not necessarily limited to, the key themes of the conference; however, they should be relevant to the overall conference title.
- Title Length: The title should not exceed 20 words.
- Abstract Length: The abstract must not exceed 250 words.
- Avoid Repetition: Do not repeat the title within the abstract.
- Deadline: Abstracts should be submitted on or before 31 August 2025.
- Submission Mode: All abstracts should be submitted through google form https://forms.gle/QZjxLUZKCgAFVhyh9.
- Selection criteria: All abstracts that follow the content formatting guidelines will be accepted.

Full Paper Submission

- Paper Length: Full papers should be between 3000 and 4000 words in length.
- **Abstract:** Each paper must include an abstract of 250 words.
- Format: Use A4 size, 1-inch margins on all sides, single spacing, and 12-point Times New Roman font. Place all tables, figures, and illustrations within the text, not at the end.
- Citation: Use APA edition(except for literature papers use MLA 9th Edition). Ensure accurate citation and referencing of all sources. Where applicable, include URLs for references.
- Originality: Submissions must be original and must not have been published or submitted. elsewhere. The plagiarism /AI plagiarism should not be more than 10 percent.
- Orcid id is mandatory for all authors. To create an orcid id log on to https://orcid.org/.
- Submission Mode: Submit your full paper manuscripts at bookpublishing85@gmail.com with screenshot of the payment / through the google form:

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Please Note

- Individual Registration: All authors and coauthors are required to register individually for the conference.
- Inclusions in Registration Fee: The registration fee covers two-day lunch, high tea, a conference kit, and printed certificates.
- Travel Expenses: Please note that Qtanalytics India and RGVK will not bear any travel expenses. Participants are requested to make their own travel arrangements.
- Kindly ensure you reach the venue on time.
- Accommodation (Optional): Accommodation is optional and available at the venue. A feasible fee has been set for those who wish to avail it.
 The accommodation also includes dinner.
- Non-Refundable Fees: Both the registration and accommodation fees are non-refundable, regardless of participation.
- The participants/delegates of the open house session are not eligible for publication.

Reaching the Venue

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Publication Opportunity

The publication will be released as an edited eBook with both ISBN and DOI.

Features

- A unique DOI will be assigned to each chapter as well as to the complete volume.
- Cross-referencing and Table figure referencing in each chapter.
- Integration with the ORCID database will also be facilitated for author identification.

Previous Publications

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