

#### Theme of the seminar

# Eastern Himalayas through times: History, People, Culture, Beliefs & Identity – with special focus on North Bengal and Sikkim

## Theme Introduction

The Eastern Himalayas stand as a cradle of civilization, where history, culture, and identity have been intricately woven over centuries in complex ways. Given that, this seminar aims to explore the dynamic evolution of the region, mapping the historical links, social-cultural fabric, and religious beliefs that have constructed its heterogeneous communities.

With a specific emphasis on North Bengal and Sikkim, the seminar will explore the ethno-cultural identities, linguistic heterogeneity, indigenous practices, and the influence of historical processes on contemporary sociopolitical realities. It will also bring forth the challenges confronting the region, such as environmental issues, economic changes, and the dynamics between tradition and modernity.

Through this interdisciplinary dialogue, it hopes to unite scholars, researchers, and community representatives to critically examine the historical and modern-day narratives of the Eastern Himalayas. This process will also leads to the better understanding of the region's past, present, and future, to maintain its rich heritage and ecological balance for generations to come.

# **Sub Themes**

- History and People
- Ethnicity and Identity Issues
- Separate State Movements
- Environmental and Biodiversity Issues and Challenges
- Indigenous World View and Culture of Eastern Himalayan Region
- Tribes and Ethnic group (History, Culture and Rights of the Tribe)
- Demographic Changes and migration Issues and Challenges
- Tourism in Eastern Himalaya Region
- Indigenous Knowledge and Practices
- Sustainable Development Prospects and Problem
- Religion and Anisnism
- Oral History and Tradition
- Folklore, Folk life and Folk Beliefs
- Language and Linguistics

## **Guidelines for the Submission**

The seminar invites original and unpublished research papers from the academicians, writers and research scholars across disciplines including History, Political science, Economics, Geography, Language and Literatures, Sociology, Environmental studies, Cultural studies etc.

The participants are requested to follow the given rules.

*Title Page*: Title, presenter(s) Details (Name, Designation, Institution, Contact No. Email ID)

Format: A4 Size, MS Word, Font: Times New Roman Font size: 12 (Title: 14) Line spacing: 1.5

Margin: 1.5 inches (2.5 cm) on all sides, justified

Formatting style: APA 7th edition Word Limit for Abstract: 250 Minimum

Keywords: Maximum 5

Word Limit for Full Paper: Maximum 4000

Paper Contents: Abstract, Keywords, Introduction, Content and References (End Note).

## Date for the Submission of Abstracts & full paper

Abstracts of papers within 250 minimum words in MS Word may be sent to the e-mail-principalkalimpongcollege@gmail.com on or before 17<sup>th</sup> of March, 2025.

Date of Communication of Acceptance: 18th March, 2025

Date of Submission of Full Papers: 25<sup>rd</sup> March, 2025 at the e-mail-principalkalimpongcollege@gmail.com

<u>Mode of Presentation</u>: Blended Mode (Offline & Online)

<u>Date & location of Seminar</u>: 28-29 March, 2025 at Kalimpong College Ringkingpong Road, Near Bamkin Chandra Park, Kalimpong, Dist.- Kalimpong, Pin-734301, West Bengal, India.

# Registration fees

For Associate/Assistant Professors: Rs. 1500/-, For Research Scholars: Rs. 1000/-

Google form link, QR Code and UPI ID for payment:

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Note: No TA & DA will be admissible.

# Payment of Registration fees through Account

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