NATIONAL SEMINAR ON
ACHIEVING UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE IN INDIA - GOVERNANCE, FINANCE AND COST PERSPECTIVES

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Celebrating Silver Jubilee of Department of Business Administration
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The Department of Business Administration came into existence in January, 1995, and is celebrating its silver jubilee in the year 2019-20. The Department is engaged in pursuing research, consultancy and training apart from imparting quality management education. At present the Department is running Doctoral Programme, Master of Business Administration, and Master of Tourism and Travel Management. The Department also offers a part-time professional certification programme NCCMP in collaboration with the National Stock Exchange Academy Limited. The department has a international collaboration with Avans University, Netherlands for student exchange programme.

Tezpur University has been ranked 20th in ‘THE World Best Small Universities 2018’ and 100th in ‘THE Asia University Rankings 2018’ by Times Higher Education. Tezpur University also ranks 146th in QS BRICS Ranking 2018. The 7th Chronicle B-School Survey-2016 conferred “A” Category to the Department and also included among Top 5 Business School in East India. The Department ranked 27the in the NIRF ranking 2016 under Management Category. It has also been awarded 14th position in India-Today B-School ranking 2018 under Non-IIM/IIT category

The department has also been awarded the prestigious UGC SAP DRS (II) during 2018 to 2023.

About ICSSR & IMPRESS

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About the Seminar
The healthcare system of a country is primarily responsible for delivering essential health services to its population. The effectiveness of a healthcare system depends on to what extent it has been able to ensure access to affordable essential services. The global leader even committed to ensure healthcare for all back at 1970s. Since then, several customized initiatives has been implemented by different countries to meet the different milestones, with diverse pace. Lately, the 65th World Health Assembly in Geneva too acknowledged universal health coverage (UHC) to be crucial to strengthen to address the public health advances for each and every country around the globe. Accordingly, a high level expert group (HLEG) on UHC was constituted by Planning Commission of India in October 2010, who provided recommendation on their report to achieve UHC by 2022 emphasizing on different critical areas such as health financing, health infrastructure, health services norms, skilled manpower, access to medicines and vaccines, management and institutional reforms and community participation. Based on it till now a number of incremental reforms have been carried out in the Indian health sector, but achieved outcomes are not very impressive considering the 2022 deadline. Still burdened with high disease prevalence, the rapid epidemiological transition in disease pattern has further complicated the entire scenario for India. Given the rising emphasis on UHC on global scale in recent times, it is highly appropriate to address the issues and challenges barricading the process of turning the concept of “Healthcare for All” into reality.

Objectives:
1. To provide a platform for policy makers, practitioners, researchers and academicians to share and discuss their findings on the status and issues of UHC.

2. To come out with policy recommendations contributing towards UHC in terms of good governance, efficient financing pattern and cost effective models

Sub-themes:
1. Health Care Governance
   The current healthcare system and its governance; access, coverage, utilization and quality of healthcare services; healthcare system and human resource issues; performance assessment of public schemes
2. Health Care Cost
Health care costs and its impact; issues of affordability and financial security

3. Health Care Financing
Health budget; role of different healthcare financing mechanisms in achieving UHC; Ayushman Bharat and other financing initiatives

List of Resource Persons

- Shri Alok Kumar
  IAS, Advisor (Health), NITI Ayog
- Ravi Duggal
  Independent health researcher/consultant
- Dr. Samik Chowdhury
  Professor, Ambedkar University Delhi
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  Professor and Head, Health Policy Research Unit (HPRU), Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), Delhi
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  Professor, Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), Delhi
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  Director, Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation (GIFT) Thiruvananthapuram.
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  Associate Professor, Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata.
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  Associate Professor, Omeo Kumar Das (OKD) Institute of Social Change and Development, Guwahati, Assam
- Dr. Ashoke Roy
  Director, Regional Resource Centre for North Eastern States
- Shri J. V. N.
  Subramanyamm Mission Director, National Health Mission Assam
Registration Fees: Rs 2000

(This includes seminar kit, tea, lunch and certificate)

Accommodation can be availed on payment basis, subject to availability in the Tezpur University Guest House.

Call for Papers:
Empirical Research papers are invited from the academicians, social activists, research scholars, policy makers, students and others on any of the sub-themes of the seminar for the presentation in the seminar.
We encourage the authors to follow the guidelines while submitting full paper for the Seminar. Papers submitted without following the guidelines may not be considered.

Publication:
The selected full papers will be published in an edited book volume from reputed publisher.

IMPORTANT DATES:

| Last Date for Full Paper Submission (Extended): | 25 July, 2019 |
| Notification of Acceptance: | 31 July, 2019 |
| Last Date of Registration: | 10 August, 2019 |
| Date of Seminar | 30 and 31 August, 2019 |

Full length paper can be mailed to the following email-id: uhcseminar2019@gmail.com

The shortlisted presenters as well as the other participants of the seminar will have to complete the registration process before the above mentioned deadline.

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