

Sri Aurobindo College (University of Delhi)









Organizing an INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

"Empowering Rural Communities: Agrarian Politics and the Legacy of Chaudhary Charan Singh towards Viksit Bharat"

December 22-23, 2025

Convention Centre, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi Sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research & Indian Council of Agricultural Research

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Sri Aurobindo College, established in 1972 as a constituent organ of University of Delhi, is a premier institution of higher education today. Catering to the intellectual aspirations of PG and UG (Science, Commerce, Humanities) students from all the nooks and corners of India and beyond, the college commemorates and celebrates and propagates the spiritual intellectual legacy of Sri Aurobindo, a seer - an avant-garde seer among seers, and a patriot's patron. The college engages its pupils through myriad activities, honing their creativity and thinking to their fullest potential, thereby handing them back to society after passing out as conscientious and responsible citizens and sensible human beings.

The conference will provide a robust academic platform for scholars, researchers, policymakers, community leaders, and students to discuss and critically evaluate the stentorian saga and enduring legacy of Bharat Ratna Chaudhary Charan Singh. Participants will explore his transformative contributions to India's potential in engineering social justice, agrarian reforms, rural empowerment, and their contemporary relevance.

- Social Justice in Action: The Political Philosophy of Chaudhary Charan Singh
- ❖ Agricultural Development Post-Independence and the Role of Chaudhary Charan Singh
- ❖ The Politics and Economics of Minimum Support Price (MSP): A Critical Evaluation
- * The Sociology of Agriculture: Caste, Class, and Community Dynamics in Rural India
- ❖ Agricultural Skills for Innovation and Sustainability: Merging Tradition and Technology for Climate resilient cropping system
- Land, Water, Seed, Fertilizers, and Markets: Foundations of Sustainable Agricultural Productivity and Rural Empowerment
- ❖ Women's Leadership in Rural Development: Driving **Inclusive Growth**
- The Farmer as the Central Subject of the Law: Contemporary Relevance of Chaudhary Charan Singh's Ideas

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- Abstract: maximum 300 words
- **Keywords**: Include 3-5 relevant keywords
- •Format: Times New Roman, 12-point font, double-spaced
- Authors' Bio-note (maximum 100 words only)
- ❖ Selected papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings/Edited volume

General Information

- Abstract submission deadline: September 30, 2025
- Notification of acceptance: October Second Week
- Full paper submission deadline: November 30, 2025

Presenters' conference fees (Early Bird Registration)*

- Faculty: ₹ 3000/-
- Research Scholars: ₹ 1500/-
- UG/PG Students: ₹ 500/-
- Accommodation Charges: ₹ 3000/- (Inform in advance if required)

*Registration is compulsory for all the participants (Registration link will be shared after the initial acceptance) **OBJECTIVE OF THE CONFERENCE**

The Conference seeks to explore and honor the legacy of Bharat Ratna Chaudhary Charan Singh by highlighting his transformative contributions to social justice, agrarian reforms, and the empowerment of marginalized communities. It aims to create a platform for critical discussions on his political philosophy, policies, and their contemporary relevance, while advancing the cause of farmers and rural communities both in India and globally. The Conference will address issues of exploitation, inequality, and injustice, fostering unity and solidarity among rural populations through knowledge exchange and empowerment initiatives. Bringing together experts, community leaders, and stakeholders from diverse domains, the event will facilitate dialogue on strategies for social justice, rural development, and community building. With an intersectional approach, it will acknowledge the multifaceted challenges faced by rural communities, shaped by caste, gender, religion, socio-economic status, and other identities. The Conference aspires to strengthen and empower the rural populace, promoting their welfare and enabling them to achieve justice through collective action, informed advocacy, and sustainable development.

INVITED SPEAKERS

- Prof. Prakash Kumar, Professor of History and Asian Studies, Pennsylvania State University, USA
- Dr. Mangi Lal Jat, Secretary, DARE & Director General ICAR
- Prof. Ramesh Chand, Member Niti Aayog
- Prof. Vijay Paul Sharma, Chairman, CACP
- Dr. M K Gathala, Country Representative, CIMMYT- India
- Prof. Ram Singh, Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi
- Dr. Rajbir Singh, DDG Extension, ICAR, New Delhi
- Dr. D K Yadava, DDG Crop Science, ICAR, New Delhi
- Dr. Anil Kumar, ADG, Coordination, ICAR, New Delhi
- Prof. Surinder Jodhka, SSS, JNU
- Prof. Narendra Kumar, SSS, JNU
- Prof. Manisha Chaudhary, Department of History, University of Delhi
- Dr. Arun Kumar, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Arts, University of Nottingham, UK
- Mr. Harish Damodaran, National Rural Affairs & Agriculture Editor, The Indian Express
- Mr. Ajay Vir Jakhar, Chairman, Bharat Krishak Samaj
- Mr. Harsh Singh Lohit, Chairman and Founder, Charan Singh Archives
- Mr. Harvir Singh, Editor-in-Chief, RuralVoice.in
- Dr. Praveen Dhanda, IP College, University of Delhi

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