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Papers should be emailed to *seminar.isdc2018@gmail.com . Selected papers will be published in an edited volume with an ISBN, subject to peer review and editorial approval.

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About the Seminar

India is home to one of the world's richest repositories of Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS), preserved and nurtured by its diverse tribal communities for generations. These knowledge traditions encompass ecological wisdom, sustainable resource management, healthcare practices, oral literature, art, language, governance and cultural values that continue to offer meaningful insights for addressing contemporary global challenges. Despite their immense contribution to cultural diversity and sustainable development, many indigenous communities remain socially and economically marginalized while their traditional knowledge faces the threat of erosion due to rapid modernization, urbanization, environmental degradation and globalization.

Recognizing the need to preserve, document and revitalize these invaluable knowledge systems, this international seminar seeks to provide an interdisciplinary platform for scholars, researchers, policymakers, practitioners and community representatives to engage in meaningful dialogue on tribal heritage, cultural continuity and social transformation in India. The seminar aims to critically examine the role of Indigenous Knowledge Systems in promoting inclusive development, environmental sustainability, cultural resilience and social justice while exploring innovative strategies for their preservation, integration and transmission in the twenty-first century. Through collaborative academic engagement, the seminar aspires to contribute to informed policy discourse and strengthen the recognition of indigenous knowledge as an indispensable component of India's intellectual and cultural heritage.

Themes /Sub-Themes :

- * Conceptual and Theoretical Perspectives on Indian Knowledge Systems
- * Tribal Heritage, Identity, and Cultural Continuity
- * Oral Traditions, Folklore, Indigenous Languages, and Literature
- * Ecological Wisdom, Climate Change, and Sustainable Development
- * Traditional Healthcare, Ethnomedicine, and Indian Healing Practices
- * Gender, Community Participation, and Indian Knowledge Transmission
- * Education, NEP 2020, and the Integration of Indian Knowledge Systems
- * Legal Frameworks, Policies, and Knowledge Sovereignty (FRA, PESA, IPR, Tribal Rights)
- * Digital Preservation, Artificial Intelligence, and Documentation of Indigenous Knowledge
- * Tribal Communities, Social Transformation, and Inclusive Development

***Note :** The above themes are indicative and not exhaustive. Papers on related interdisciplinary topics aligned with the seminar theme are also welcome.