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We know that some people move from their native place or country to another place or country voluntarily or under pressure and to settle down. 'Displacement' or 'Migration' is preceded by Diaspora, followed by "Rehabilitation" and "Resettlement," often due to social, political, economic, geographical and identity factors. About 150 years ago, Indians who went as indentured laborers went to countries like South Africa, Fiji, Suriname, Mauritius, Trinidad and Tobago, etc., overcoming the difficulties with their hard work and the tenacious living power, reaching the top of power in many countries. There has also been a success in reaching.

After independence, a large section often went for higher education in countries like America, Britain, France, Canada, Australia, Germany, Hungary, Malaysia, Russia, Sweden, Norway, Abu Dhabi, New Zealand, Argentina, etc., in which some returned and some went and settled there. The reason for the immense popularity of the ghazal 'Chitti Aai Hai' sung by Pankaj Udhas in the movie Naam in the eighties was that the diaspora felt the fragrance of their country's soil in it. According to an estimate, about 40 million Indians are residing in about eighty countries and playing an important role in those countries.

Nevertheless, migratory studies are a new phenomenon in the humanities. As much study has been done on the migrant problem in Social Science, as much has not been done in "Humanities and Literature." Although it is now being discussed, it has not become a strong central topic. Through this conference, we aim to understand not only the importance of Diaspora Studies in the development of Humanities but also to promote the study and research of Diaspora in Humanities & Literature for various reasons apart from identifiable perspectives like Dalit, Adivasi, Muslim, Women, etc., as well as, from a humanities perspective on the challenges and characteristics of people or groups who have come to India as expatriates from India and abroad.







#### Contributors are invited to submit paper diaspora themed topics, but are not limited to:

#### **SUB THEMES**

- HISTORY OF MIGRATION
- MIGRATION AND GENDER PERSPECTIVE
- INDO-CANADA CONNECTION ON MIGRATION
- MUSLIM MIGRATION AS REFLECTED IN NARRATIVES/INTERVIEWS/CASE STUDY
- DALITS AND THEIR MIGRATION AND NARRATIVES
- MARGINAL VOICES AND MIGRATION STORIES
- COVID-19 AND DIASPORA (WITH REFERENCE TO INDIA, CANADA OR ANY OTHER COUNTRY)
- THE POLITICS OF MIGRATION AND ITS REFLECTION IN LITERATURE
- RESEARCH SKILLS IN HUMANITIES TO UNDERSTAND DIASPORA AND MIGRATION
- DIASPORA IN HUMANITIES: AN INDO-CENTRIC VIEWPOINT
- AND MANY OTHER RELATED TO THIS.







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- After the acceptance of the abstract, the paper must be in Times New Roman, 12, single space. Full Paper: 2000–3000 words. Style: APA7<sup>th</sup>.

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Abstract Submission: 25 February 2022 Result: 26 February 2022 Full Paper Submission: 28 February 2022

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The conference will be organized through a Zoom meeting online platform. Join Zoom Meeting: **Meeting ID:** 863 2426 7432 **Passcode:** 475072 Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8632426743</u> 2?pwd=elliY1pUS2Z0U3FiL01KVmR GWERIZz09







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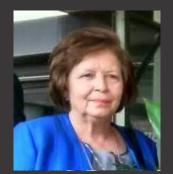








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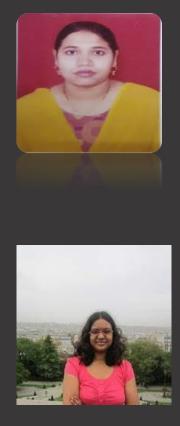
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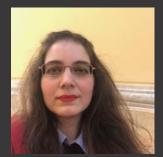








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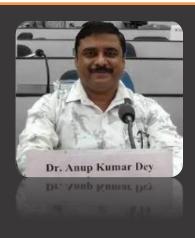


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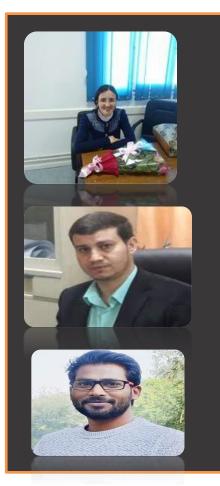
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