



# Indira Gandhi National Tribal University Amarkantak, M.P.

(A Central University established by an Act of Parliament)

**Two-Day National Conference**  
on

26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020

# Seizing the Opportunities in South Asia

(An Agenda for 2020s)

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## About the University

The Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Amarkantak has been established by an Act of the Parliament of India. It came into existence by the Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Amarkantak Act, 2007 and came into action in July 8th, 2008. The jurisdiction of the University extends to the whole country and it is fully funded by the Central Government through the University Grant Commission. The University caters to the tribals long cherished dream of higher education.

## How to Reach

Amarkantak is situated 30 kms in the west of Pendra Road Railway Station (Chhattisgarh) on Katni-Bilaspur track of South West Central Railway. Almost all the trains playing on this track stop here. It can be reached by bus from all directions as there are good frequency of buses on Jabalpur, Raipur, Bilaspur, Allahabad, Rewa, Shandol, Dindori and Anuppur routes. Amarkantak can be reached by air through Jabalpur (M.P.) And Raipur (Chhattisgarh). Nearest Airport Jabalpur- Distance 220 KM from Amarkantak. Raipur- Distance 230 KM from Amarkantak. Nearest Railway Station Pendra Road - Distance 35 KM from Amarkantak Bilaspur- Distance 120 KM from Amarkantak.

## Call for Papers-

South Asia region is not only a home to one-fourth of the global population, strategically it is one of the most fragile regions of the world. South Asia at the same time is one of the least integrated region. Its potentials are immense in terms of economic and human resources, oceanic and mountainous wealth, cultural diversity, political sensitivity and home to diverse ethnicity offers challenges as well as opportunities for cooperation and mutual development. India as the biggest stakeholder in the region is under obligation to integrate the whole region. India's national interests shall be best served if it seizes the opportunities with inherent challenges to fulfil its aspirations of a global player. The Two - Day National Conference intends to ponder over the issues and opportunities that India can reap for its benefits. India's lack of concern in its neighbourhood shall attract other international hawks to fill the void. The experts and scholars in the field of foreign affairs are invited to deliberate under the following broad sub themes in the conference. The focus shall be on devising an agenda in the present decade in South Asian context.

1. South Asia - impediments in regional integration
2. Resurrecting - SAARC
3. SAFTA - problems and prospects
4. South Asia - bi- lateralism vs. multi - lateralism
5. India -China rivalry in South Asia - a need for Indo - China convergence
6. Vision for South Asia in 2020s
7. South Asia - A cultural entity
8. South Asia - need for a common strategy in global politics
9. Environmental issues and Human security



### Guidelines for Abstract and Paper Submission:

Research paper writers are requested to submit their original research papers both empirical and conceptual as well as case studies in APA style on the related or exact themes as outlined above in not more than 5000 words along with an abstract of 150 words in Ms Word, 1.5 Line Space, Font 12 Points in Times New Roman for English and Kruti-Dev 10, Font size 14 for Hindi. All the papers should be sent or e-mailed (soft and hard copy of the paper) to the organizing Secretary of the conference on or before 14th March, 2020. Selected papers will be published in the Conference proceeding. Registration is compulsory for all the delegates.



#### Registration Fee:

#### Paper Presentation

Academics

Rs. 500

Students and Research Scholars

Rs. 200

### Dates to Remember:

09<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Last date for Submission of Abstract

14 March 2020

Last date for Submission of Full Length

26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Scheduled Dates for the Conference



### Travel, Food and Accommodation

Accommodation and food will be provided to all registered participant during conference. Travel allowances will be provided subjected to availability of funds.

Contact Address for  
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Abstract and Papers

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