

Dear Colleagues

I am delighted to share with you that I have been entrusted with the responsibility of convening Seventh Chandigarh Social Science Congress (CHASSCONG VII), scheduled on March 21-22, 2017. The topic selected for the abovementioned event is Achieving Sustainable Development Goals: Opportunities, Challenges and Strategies.

You all will agree with me that Sustainable development has already been discussed at various seminars from social, economic, political and environmental perspectives. Various existing developmental plans, policies, institutions have already set the tone to change the society. But the change is neither smooth nor easy to implement. This time, we have to think and discuss with more responsibility as United Nation has accepted 17 Sustainable Development Goals with specific targets to explore. The common goal of SDGs that no one will be left behind is a move towards equitable and egalitarian society for all. It is a global call to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that people enjoy peace, get justice and prosper. It is not only the responsibility of scientists, policy makers, governing institutions to give us safe environment but we social scientists have to join hands to explore opportunities and find strategies to protect our social, economic and environmental health.

Kindly reserve the dates to be a part of this mega event in your own University. Day 1 will have Inaugural session and two panel discussions. Day 2 will have presentations by faculty and research scholars in their respective departments followed by Valedictory session.

Please find enclosed the theme and subthemes of CHASSCONG VII. I am sure you will not like to miss this opportunity to be a part of this global call to transform the world. Most of you would already be working on these topics and many of you would start now.

Let's all Join hands to 'Transform India-Transform World'

Regards

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