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Department of Public Administration

International Conference

Sustainable Development Goals for a Better World: Role of Public Administration

21-22 January 2025



Maulana Azad National Urdu University:

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Department of Public Administration:

The Department Public Administration was established in the year 2006. At present the Department is conducting courses in B. A, M. A, and Ph.D in Public Administration. The Department has qualified and committed faculty with rich teaching and research experience. The Department is actively engaged in the research work, as several research scholars were awarded M. Phil. and Ph. D. degrees in areas such as Administrative Theories, Indian Administration, Public Policy, Local Government, Social and Welfare Administration, e-governance, Good Governance, Right to Education, Child Rights, Women Rights, Minority Rights, NGOs and Disaster Management.

International Conference on Sustainable Development Goals for a Better World: Role of Public Administration:

The United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) represent a comprehensive global framework for achieving a sustainable, equitable, and peaceful world by 2030. These 17 goals encompass various dimensions of development, including poverty reduction, health, education, gender equality, and environmental sustainability with the ultimate aim of building a world that benefits present and future generations alike. As we approach the deadline for SDG implementation, assessing the progress and the role of key actors becomes critical.

In a rapidly changing global landscape, sustainable development has become indispensable for the survival of mankind. Public Administration plays an integral role in steering sustainable development. By focusing on effective governance structures, capacity building, transparency, and innovative practices, public institutions can drive meaningful progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Comprehensive approach to governance that balances strategic planning with citizen engagement, institutional strength, and collaborative efforts, ultimately contributing to a more sustainable and equitable future for all should be encouraged.

Public Administration must navigate complex challenges and opportunities to achieve the goal of Sustainable Development. This theme focuses on how governance structures, policies, and practices can be designed and implemented to support the SDG's ensuring that progress is made across all areas of development in a balanced and inclusive manner.

There is a need to delve into the essential functions and responsibilities of Public Administration in the context of Sustainable Development. Effective Governance is at the heart of achieving the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's), which encompass a broad range of Social, Economic, and Environmental objectives. This two-day International Conference on the theme of ***“Sustainable Development Goals for a Better World: Role of Public Administration”*** would strive to provide a platform to exchange ideas and contribute constructive suggestions towards this end.

Objectives of International Conference:

This international conference, titled "**SDGs for a Better World: Role of Public Administration**", seeks to bring together policymakers, academics, researchers, practitioners, and development experts from around the world to discuss, debate, and explore the role of public administration in achieving the SDGs. The conference aims to:

- **Examine the Role of Public Administration in SDG Implementation:** Analyze how public administration contributes to SDG progress across different regions, focusing on successful models and strategies.
- **Identify Challenges and Barriers:** Explore challenges faced by public institutions in implementing the SDGs, including issues related to governance, capacity-building, resource allocation and corruption.
- **Promote Knowledge Sharing and Innovation:** Facilitate a platform for sharing innovative approaches, experiences, and insights related to SDG implementation from diverse national and local contexts.
- **Strengthen Partnerships and Cooperation:** Encourage collaboration among government bodies, international organizations, academia, and civil society to create synergies for a more effective SDG framework.
- **Explore Digital and Technological Solutions:** Discuss the role of digital transformation and emerging technologies in enhancing the effectiveness and responsiveness of public administration toward SDGs.

Sub-Themes for the International Conference:

- Integrated Policy Frameworks for Sustainable Development
- Innovative Public Administration Practices for SDGs
- Capacity Building and Institutional Strengthening of SDGs
- Participatory Governance and Citizen Engagement in achieving SDGs
- Governance of Environmental Sustainability
- Public-Private Partnerships for Sustainable Development
- Financial Management and Resource Allocation for SDGs
- Monitoring, Evaluation, and Accountability in Sustainable Governance
- Climate Change and Resilience Building
- Equity and Inclusion in Sustainable Development
- Urban and Rural Sustainability Governance
- Global Governance and International Cooperation

Apart from the above sub-themes the researchers can contribute original research papers on any other topic related to the main theme of the conference.

Expected Outcome of the International Conference and Publication of the Proceedings:

The conference aims to generate actionable recommendations and frameworks for public institutions to advance SDGs implementation. Expected outcomes include;

- **Policy Recommendations:** Insights and guidelines for governments to strengthen public administration's role in SDGs.
- **Best Practices Repository:** A compilation of successful strategies and programs that can serve as a reference for practitioners worldwide.
- **Strengthen Networks:** Establishment of connections among governments, academics, and civil society to create synergies for SDG-related initiatives.
- **Follow-up Actions:** An outline of next steps for public institutions, with suggestions on how to address identified challenges in SDG implementation.
- The deliberations of the Conference will provide insights in understanding how governance structures and Public Administration processes can be aligned with the SDGs and contribute new ideas and strategies for the same, and the proceedings will be produced in the form of a Conference Report.
- High-quality, original research papers will be selected for publication by reputed publishers and will serve as a reference for scholars, academics, and policymakers on strategic frameworks for aligning Public Administration with SDGs.

Mode of the Conference:

The Conference will be conducted in hybrid mode, both online and offline. Papers from within the country will be presented offline only.

Travel Support:

No TA/DA will be provided to the participants. Kindly manage TA/DA at your own end.

Local Hospitality:

Lodging and food will be provided by the Conference organizers. The delegates are expected to take care of any additional expenditure incurred by them.

Accommodation:

Limited accommodation is available in the University Campus for the out-station delegates on the basis of first come first serve basis from 20th afternoon to 23rd forenoon January 2025.

Registration Fee:

There will be no registration fee.

Call for Papers:

1. Participants are requested to contribute original, unpublished and well researched papers for the International Conference.
2. Participants can submit their papers in English or Urdu.
3. Abstracts of individual paper on the sub-themes not exceeding 300-500 words should reach by 1st December 2024.
4. Full paper shall be submitted by 20th December 2024, not exceeding 4000 to 6000 words typed in double space A4 size, Times New Roman, font size 12 for text, 13 for sub heading and 14 for main heading. Referencing pattern should be in APA (7th Edition) format with in text citations.
5. The Abstracts and Full papers may reach in word format to the Conference Co-convener at dopainternationalconference25@gmail.com

Important Dates:

Last Date for Receipt of Abstract	1st December, 2024
Notification of Acceptance of Abstract	07th December, 2024
Last Date for Full Paper Submission	20th December, 2024
Notification of Acceptance of Full Paper	27th December, 2024
Conference Dates	21-22 January, 2025

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