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Department of Public Administration National Seminar

on

SOCIAL POLICIES AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION IN INDIA: VISION 2047

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Maulana Azad National Urdu University

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National Seminar on Social Policies and Public Administration in India: Vision 2047

Social cohesion and inclusive policies are imperative for the development of the plural society like India. Social policies are crucial for the welfare of the people, particularly for the marginalized sections of the society. As a sub-field of public policy, it is both interdisciplinary and applied in nature, primarily concerned with the Five Big social problems, such as poverty, ill health, poor housing, insufficient education, and unemployment (Beveridge). Over the time, the scope of social policy has been extended beyond the Big Five to accommodate new problems and find innovative ways to bring about the desired changes in the society.

The vision of independent India is expressed in its progressive Constitution leading to social transformation through the concept of a Welfare State, promising social justice, liberty, equity, and human rights to all, irrespective of caste, creed, and gender. Accordingly, multiple policies are framed, refined, and reformed. As the nature and scope of the Indian State vis-a-vis citizens are changing, it gets reflected in the policy making and the governance structures. As India is poised to become a developed nation by 2047, there arises the need to examine the design of social policies and their implementation by the administration. This seminar plays a crucial role in this context, analyzing different roles of national, state and local governments, the market, and international organizations in providing welfare services and support to their citizens. The seminar would deliberate on the impact of social policies on the welfare of the citizens. It will identify the challenges in the implementation of social policies and benchmark the best governance practices in social administration.

This two-day National Seminar on the theme of "Social Policies and Public Administration in India: *Vision 2047*" is not just an event, but a platform to shape the future. It would strive to provide a platform to exchange ideas and contribute constructive suggestions towards this end, with the potential to significantly impact the future of social policies in India.

Objectives of the Seminar

This National Seminar titled "Social Policies and Public Administration in India: Vision 2047", provides a platform for policymakers, academics, researchers, practitioners, and development experts to:

- **Examine the changing dynamics of public policy** by analyzing the implementation of social policies and progress in various sectors.
- **Identify emerging trends and challenges** faced by public institutions in implementing social policies.
- **Policy Innovations and Bench marking Best Practices:** Facilitate a platform for sharing innovative approaches, experiences, and insights related to social policy implementation from both national and local contexts.
- **Strengthen Partnerships and Cooperation:** Encourage collaboration among government bodies, academia, and civil society to create synergies for an effective implementation of social policies.
- **Explore frontier areas of public policy:** Discuss the role of emerging digital technologies, such as AI, in crafting social policies and their implementation.

Sub-themes for the Seminar

- ♣ Public Policy Theories and Models
- **♣** Social Welfare Administration in India: Challenges
- Anti-Poverty Programmes
- Health Policy
- **Let Up** Education Policy
- Housing Policy
- **Employment**
- Policies of Social Inclusion and
- Cross cutting issues in social policy/administration: caste, religion, gender and regional disparities

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

Expected Outcomes of the National Seminar

- Best Practices Repository: A compilation of successful strategies and programs will serve as a reference for practitioners, providing them with practical examples and effective approaches to implement in their own initiatives. This resource aims to support the development and enhancement of social policies, ensuring that they are informed by real-world successes and best practices.
- **Strengthen Networks:** Establishment of connections among governments, academics, and civil society to create synergies for effective implementation of public policies.
- Publication of the Proceedings: Original, high-quality research papers will be chosen for publication by esteemed publishers.
- **Policy Recommendations:** The discussions during the Seminar on the current social policy landscape, will offer valuable insights into the implementation of social policies.

Mode of the Paper Presentations

The Seminar will be conducted in physical mode.

Travel Support

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

Local Hospitality

Lodging and food will be provided by the Seminar 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 19^{th} afternoon to 22^{nd} forenoon, January, 2026.

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 National Seminar.
- 2. Participants can submit their papers in English or Urdu.
- 3. Abstracts of individual paper on the sub-themes not exceeding 500 words should reach by 1^{st} October 2025.
- 4. Full paper shall be submitted by 10th November 2025, 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 MS Word format to the Seminar Coordinator at dopamanuuns2026@gmail.com

Important Dates:

Last Date for Receipt of Abstract	1st October, 2025
Notification of Acceptance of Abstract	10 th October, 2025
Last Date for Full Paper Submission	10 th November, 2025
Notification of Acceptance of Full Paper	1st December, 2025
Conference Dates	20-21 January, 2026

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