





# Sri Aurobindo College University of Delhi

Department of Political Science under the Aegis of IQAC

is organising a two-day

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# **NATIONAL SEMINAR**

On

# "Artificial Intelligence- Prospects & Challenges with special reference to Politics & Governance"

March 20-21, 2024

Venue: Conference Centre, University of Delhi, New Delhi

# **Call for Papers**

#### **About the Seminar:**

The Department of Political Science, Sri Aurobindo College is pleased to announce a National Seminar dedicated to exploring the dynamic landscape of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its implications on politics and governance. This seminar provides a platform for researchers, scholars, policymakers, practitioners, and experts to examine the prospects and challenges that AI presents in the realm of politics and governance. It facilitates meaningful dialogue, the sharing of insights, and the fostering of collaborations across various domains.

Artificial intelligence (AI) has become an important part and parcel of our daily life. The realm of public administration has been witnessing new dimensions of Artificial Intelligence every day. New technologies like robotics and other components of Artificial Intelligence have gained the attention of political leaders who are trying to evolve other alternatives to cater to the needs of their citizens. However, academia is raising some genuine concerns about its applicability in the public domain. The simulation of human intelligence in machines holds immense potential for improving various sectors of society like delivery of public services, the fight against crime and corruption, resolution of conflicts etc. in the arenas of politics and governance.

However, implementing Artificial Intelligence in these domains also poses various complications that cannot be overlooked. This seminar aims to provide an overview of the challenges and the prospects associated with its implementation. One of the main challenges of utilising AI in Politics and Governance is the ethical aspect. As Artificial Intelligence algorithms are devised

using existing data, there is a risk of perpetuating and amplifying biases present in pre-existing data. This can lead to unfair policy-making or discriminatory outcomes. A strong surveillance state undermines the principles of democracy by intruding into the private life of an individual in the name of fairness, inclusivity and universality.

Additionally, the lack of trust is another significant area wherein Artificial Intelligence is being misused by the policymakers in public service delivery. Therefore, the need of the hour is to build trust and bridge the gap between the policy makers and the common people. Transparency and comprehensibility of Artificial Intelligence algorithms is essential to building trust and ensuring accountability. On the brighter side, Artificial Intelligence brings in a plethora of promises and prospects for politics and governance. Artificial Intelligence related systems can analyse gigantic amounts of data quickly and with minimum error. This has paved the way for policymakers to adopt evidence-based decisions. Moreover, Artificial Intelligence can enhance public services by performing routine tasks and enabling personalised interactions leading to increased efficiency and satisfaction.

To address the challenges, misuse and prospects of Artificial Intelligence in politics and governance various key actions are required. Firstly, any legitimised government and institutions need to establish robust regulations and guidelines that address the ethical concerns and protect against biases. Secondly, devoting timing to Artificial Intelligence research and development will enable the creation of advanced algorithms capable of better decision-making. Lastly, policymakers must promote transparency and devise a new modus operandi to promote faith as far as the adaptability of Artificial Intelligence is concerned. To examine the crux and contours of Artificial

Intelligence, this seminar will probe academic solutions through various questions;

- 1. What is the instrumentality of Artificial Intelligence in terms of shaping social engineering?
- 2. Whom does it benefit and what can societies achieve by utilising the Artificial Intelligence algorithms?
- 3. To what extent, can it serve or benefit citizens of the state instead of crony capitalists?
- 4. How Artificial Intelligence is widening the discourse around the developed and the developing states around the world?

# **Themes for Paper Submission:**

The organising committee cordially invites relevant abstracts and proposals from the diverse themes of Artificial Intelligence on Politics and Governance.

- | Artificial Intelligence and the Electoral Process
- Artificial Intelligence in the Decision-making Process
- Equalisation of opportunities for marginalised sections
- Protecting liberty and promoting fraternity
- Dynamics of party politics
- Pressure group politics
- | Grassroots Democracy
- Public Distribution System
- Surveillance
- Modern warfare

- Law and Criminal Justice System
- Control of crime and corruption
- Speedy judicial process.
- Ethical Aspects of Artificial Intelligence

Note: This list is not exhaustive. The conference committee is also open to accepting papers not only restricted to the proposed themes but also open to exploring the uncharted terrains of artificial intelligence.

#### **Submission Guidelines:**

Prepare an original abstract that addresses the seminar's themes and falls within the specified word limit (300-400 words). Clearly articulate the objectives, methodology, and insights of your research. Ensure your abstract follows the specified format, including:

- Title: Concise and reflective of the content.
- Author(s): Full names and affiliations.
- Keywords: Provide 3-5 keywords.

Submit your abstract with a brief bio-note(100-150) to **seminar@aurobindo.du.ac.in** by 20th February, 2024. Ensure that the entire text is in Times New Roman font (size 12) with the title of the abstract in font size 14.

Upon successful submission, you will receive a confirmation email acknowledging the receipt of your abstract.

The submitted abstracts will undergo a thorough review process by the seminar's Program Committee. Authors will be notified of acceptance or rejection by 24th February, 2024. On acceptance of the abstract, you will be invited to submit the full paper (3500-5000 words) by 15th March, 2024. Ensure that the entire text is in Times New Roman font (size 12) with the title of the full paper in font size 14.

Note: Submissions will not be accepted past the final due date, whether they are abstracts or full papers. If the paper is deemed suitable for publication, it will be published in an edited book at a later stage

Certificates of presentation and participation will be provided to all registered paper presenters and participants.

# **Seminar Registration:**

Presenters of papers and participants must register for the seminar by 20th February, 2024 to ensure inclusion in the seminar program. Registration details and fees:

• Students/Researchers: Rs. 300/-

• Faculty/Professionals: Rs. 500/-

Scan the QR code below to pay the registration fee:



To register, click on the following link:

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We look forward to receiving your insightful contributions to the National Seminar on Artificial Intelligence!