stands iconic with its pervasiveness having almost all subjects both traditional and modern including engineering and technology. Visionary Vice-Chancellors, motivating and experienced faculties, stimulated students have together exhibited their excellence in teaching and learning, especially the research publications with high impact international journals and recently tagged as 44<sup>th</sup> rank by National Institute Ranking Framework (NIRF), Govt of India.

### **Participation by registration**

Participation is free by registration. Registration for the symposium is only for M. Phil, PhD scholars and faculties. As the format is primarily based on invited lecture followed by discussion and debates, the registration is a must for the above said category of academicians.

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### Introduction

There are certain attributes which binds us together as 'social sciences'. Numerous subjects attached with the broader academic discipline 'social sciences', whose primary concern is to study relating to human aspects of studying the society, involving social behaviour in particular. Though the individual academic disciplines e.g., economics, psychology, sociology etc. are engaged in teaching, learning and research, for some reasons we don't seat together to discuss the intellectual debate over the commonness and differences, the binary which confronts us better and stronger, promotes us having a criss-cross and overlap relationship, further make us disciplinary and interdisciplinary in approach. This is grassroots of the objectives behind the symposium.

### **Theme & Discussion**

No discipline in general and social sciences in particular are static, rather dynamism brings brevity in the subjects in terms of teaching, learning and research discourse. A number of issues and directions over which there is still no consensus. A particular subject reaches at its zenith while interacting with other areas of study in terms of explaining certain issues and methodology. The history of the individual discipline may speak something at its initial stage; the later stories converse altogether different. Sometimes for academic exploration and research in better manner, the disciplines split into

further divisions. This sometimes helps us defining and administering in a convenient way. Economics might contribute to understand 'demography', but cannot single handedly claim the interdisciplinary nature of demographic studies, hence the contributions of geography, linguistics are also laudable. The contribution of anthropology on 'action research' is well benefitted by other disciplines. The concept of democracy is intervened to understand the nuances of interdisciplinary studies of numerous disciplines. The social sciences, in studying subjective, inter-subjective, and structural aspects of society is solved and understood collectively by all the disciplines. The contributory knowledge is the slogan of the day; hence interdisciplinary research is the need of the hour.

### **Objectives**

The driving force though not exhaustive needs to be addressed.

The complexity of nature, society and ourselves; The complexity of global workforce; The need for systematic and contextual thinking; Changing nature of university research; The public world and pressing needs; A knowledge society's need for both disciplinarity and interdisciplinarity approach; Defining the areas of discipline and categories; Discipline as knowledge producing communities; Disciplinarity and Interdisciplinarity; Identifying the elements of a discipline used in interdisciplinary

studies; Criss-cross and overlapping of the subject attributes; Differencing disciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches to learning and constructing knowledge; Emerging areas in social sciences; Disciplines and its effects on organization of schools and faculties in administrative set up.

### **Format**

Six eminent speakers from varying areas of expertise in social science will be invited to speak on the major theme of the symposium. The speakers with international repute, high academic accomplishments with distinct communicative ability will be chosen for deliberations. After the deliberation the house will be open for very contentious discussion.

### **Faculty of Social Science**

Faculty of Social Sciences is one among twelve faculties with nine constituent departments is having a enormous academic stacks in Maharshi Dayanand University Rohtak. Primarily engaged in teaching and research, the faculty has earned it reputation in producing numerous doctoral works and the students are settled with jobs in academic, government offices and other corporate and research sectors.

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