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is organizing an

IC-ECRF
2026

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

on

**Emerging Challenges and Research
Frontiers Across Disciplines:
Towards Sustainable Development**

**“Innovate • Integrate • Inspire —
Shaping a Sustainable Future Together.”**



30 - 31 January 2026

Venue: **Vikrant University**, Ratwai, Chittora Road,
Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh – 474006, India

ABOUT ICECRF 2026

The International Conference on Emerging Challenges and Research Frontiers Across Disciplines (ICECRF 2026) is envisioned as a prestigious academic forum that seeks to convene scholars, researchers, and practitioners from a wide array of disciplines to engage in meaningful dialogue on the critical challenges and transformative innovations shaping contemporary society.

The conference is committed to foster interdisciplinary collaboration by bridging theoretical inquiry with practical application in addressing complex global issues. Key thematic areas include Sustainability, Governance, Education, Technological innovation, Healthcare and Social transformation among other areas. ICECRF 2026 aspires to serve as a dynamic platform for the exchange of forward-looking perspectives and scholarly insights into the multifaceted forces influencing the modern world.

With its expansive scope, the conference aims to equip Planners, Implementers, Academicians, and Policymakers with the intellectual resources and strategic expertise necessary to navigate the evolving global landscape. Discussions will be centered on pivotal topics such as Climate change, Tourism management, Digital transformation, Green finance, Sustainable business practices, Pharmaceutical innovation, Global governance, Social inclusion, Human wellbeing, and development strategies among other impactful domains.

Researchers and Academicians are cordially invited to submit original, unpublished contributions that explore emerging challenges and innovative approaches aligned with the conference themes. ICECRF 2026 offers a unique opportunity to contribute to a comprehensive body of empirical knowledge grounded in real-world relevance and interdisciplinary rigor.

BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

The twenty-first century presents humanity with complex, interlinked challenges: climate change, technological disruption, social inequality, and rapid urbanization. These cannot be solved within disciplinary silos. IC-ECRF 2026 responds to this imperative by creating a vibrant platform where scientists, engineers, social scientists, educators, and policymakers can share

research, debate ideas, and co-design solutions aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs 2030).

The conference emphasizes an integrated approach to knowledge creation, promoting partnerships that merge innovation with ethics, and technology with human values.

CORE OBJECTIVES

1. To foster interdisciplinary collaboration across natural sciences, engineering, health, social sciences, and humanities.
2. To identify research frontiers and technological innovations that contribute to sustainability and resilience.
3. To encourage evidence-based policy recommendations linking academia, industry, and governance.
4. To showcase youth, women, and community participation in knowledge creation and problem-solving.
5. To build institutional networks that align local innovations with global sustainability frameworks.



ABOUT VIKRANT UNIVERSITY

Vikrant University, one of the best universities in Gwalior, was established under Madhya Pradesh Act No. 25 of 2022 by the Government of Madhya Pradesh as a private educational institution to provide higher education and career opportunities in the fields of Engineering and Technology, Management and Commerce, Legal Studies, Agricultural Science, Humanities and Culture, Natural and Applied Sciences, Pharmacy, Yoga and Naturopathy, and Arts and Design.



Vikrant University is recognised as one of the best universities in Gwalior, with the sole objective of setting new standards in higher

education, research, and innovation—guiding learners towards the pinnacle of success. Our commitment remains strong and firm in promoting high-quality interdisciplinary research in a vibrant and pluralistic environment. To achieve this goal, we have developed state-of-the-art infrastructure and assembled a team of dedicated, highly qualified professionals.

To turn this vision into reality, the strength of Vikrant University lies in its renowned faculty members, who possess distinguished academic and research achievements across various disciplines.

ABOUT GWALIOR, MADHYA PRADESH

Gwalior is a major city in the central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh; it lies in the northern part of the state and is one of the Counter-magnet cities. Located 343 kilometres south of Delhi, the capital city of India, 120 kilometres from Agra and 414 kilometres from Bhopal, the state capital, Gwalior occupies a strategic location in the Gird region of India. The historic city and its fortress have been ruled by several historic northern Indian kingdoms. From the Kachchhapaghatas in the 10th century, Tomars in the 13th century, it was passed on to the Mughal Empire, then to the Maratha in 1754, and the Scindia dynasty of the Maratha Empire in the 18th century.



Besides being the administrative headquarters of Gwalior district and Gwalior division, Gwalior has many administrative offices of the Chambal division of northern Madhya Pradesh. Several administrative and judicial organisations, commissions and boards have their state and national headquarters situated in the city.

Gwalior was the winter capital of the state of Madhya Bharat which later became a part of the larger state of Madhya Pradesh. Before Indian independence on 15 August

1947, Gwalior remained a princely state of the British Raj with the Scindia as the local rulers. High rocky hills surround the city from all sides, on the north it just forms the border of the Ganga- Yamuna Drainage Basin. The city however is situated in the valley between the hills. Gwalior's metropolitan area includes Gwalior city centre, Morar Cantonment, Lashkar Gwalior (Lashkar Subcity), Maharaj Bada, Phool Bagh, and Thatipur.

Gwalior was one of the major locations of rebellion during the 1857 uprising. Post-independence, Gwalior has emerged as an important tourist attraction in central India while many industries and administrative offices came up within the city. Before the end of the 20th century, it became a million-plus agglomeration and now it is a metropolitan city in central India. Gwalior is surrounded by industrial and commercial zones of neighbouring districts (Malanpur – Bhind, Banmore – Morena) in all three main directions.

Gwalior has been selected as one of the hundred Indian cities to be developed as a smart city under PM Narendra Modi's flagship Smart Cities Mission.

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CONFERENCE THEMES AND TRACKS

The conference covers a broad range of research domains, including:

1. Management and Business Studies
(Commerce, Human Resource Management, Finance, Marketing, Economics, Supply Chain Management, International Business, E-Commerce, Tourism and Hospitality Management, Organisational Behaviour, Entrepreneurship, Project and Quality Management, Innovation and Knowledge Management, Business Ethics, Operations and Strategic Management, Leadership, and Corporate Sustainability)
2. Law, Governance, and Public Policy
(Business Law, Constitutional and Administrative Law, Labour Law, Industrial Relations, Cyber Law, Intellectual Property Law, Environmental and Energy Law, International Law, Taxation Law, Criminal Law, Human Rights Law, and Public Policy)
3. Education and Pedagogical Innovation
(Higher Education, Teacher Education, Curriculum Design, Educational Technology, Online and Blended Learning, Assessment and Accreditation, Inclusive and Lifelong Learning, and Educational Leadership)
4. Agriculture and Rural Development
(Agricultural Policy, Sustainable Farming Practices, Agri-Entrepreneurship, Climate-Smart Agriculture, Food Security, Rural Livelihoods, and Agri-Technology Innovation)
5. Pharmaceutical Sciences and Healthcare
(Pharmacology, Pharmaceuticals, Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Pharmacognosy, Clinical Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Biotechnology, Drug Discovery, and Public Health Research)
6. Political Science, Sociology, and Social Sciences
(Governance and Democracy, Political Transitions, Globalisation, Social Justice, Gender Studies, Culture and Identity, Urbanisation, Migration, and Community Resilience)
7. Psychology and Behavioural Sciences
(Mental Health and Wellbeing, Cognitive and Social Psychology, Organisational Psychology, Motivation and Behavioural Change, Resilience and Positive Psychology, and Human Development)
8. Physical Education, Sports, and Health Sciences
(Sports Management, Physical Literacy, Fitness and Wellness, Sports Psychology, Health Promotion, and Adaptive Physical Education)
9. Science, Engineering & Technology for Sustainability
Renewable and Clean Energy Technologies, Green Chemistry and Circular Economy, Climate Smart Agriculture and Food Security, AI, IoT, and Data-Driven Solutions for SDGs, Nanoscience, Materials Innovation, and Environmental Remediation, AI for Sustainability and Responsible Innovation.

The above categories are indicative and not exhaustive. Researchers are encouraged to select topics of their choice that align with the central theme of Emerging Challenges and Research Frontiers Across Disciplines: Towards Sustainable Development.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The International Conference on Emerging Challenges and Research Frontiers Across Disciplines: Towards Sustainable Development (IC-ECRF-2026) invites scholars, researchers, academicians, practitioners, and policy experts from around the world to submit original and unpublished research papers that explore emerging challenges, contemporary issues, and innovative practices across diverse disciplines.

The conference aims to foster interdisciplinary collaboration and academic dialogue in addressing global concerns related to sustainability, governance, education, technology, and social transformation. Contributions may include conceptual papers, empirical studies, case analyses, and policy reviews that provide novel insights into the evolving dynamics of global development.

TIMELINE OF THE CONFERENCE

Activity	Date
Abstract Submission Opens	05 November 2025
Full Paper Submission Opens	25 November 2025
Submission Deadline	30 December 2025
Notification of Acceptance	07 January 2026
Camera-Ready Submission of Accepted Papers	15 January 2026
Last Date for Registration	20 January 2026
Announcement of Paper Presentation Schedule	25 January 2026
Conference Dates	30 - 31 January 2026

REGISTRATION FEE

For Presenters:		
Indian Academicians and Professionals	:	INR 5000/-
Indian Research Scholars	:	INR 3500/-
Indian Students (UG/PG)	:	INR 2000/-
Foreign Academicians and Professionals	:	USD 70/-
Foreign Research Scholars	:	USD 50/-
Foreign Students	:	USD 25/-
For Attendees (Without Paper Presentation):		
Indian participants	:	INR 2000/-
Foreign participants	:	USD 25/-

Please Note:

- Registration fee includes meals and refreshments.
- The registration fee does not include accommodation, or travel (international/national and local transportation). However, participants may refer to the conference webpage regarding logistics and nearby accommodation details.



REGISTRATION LINK

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