ONE-DAY INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR on

The Digital Age: Exploring its influence on contemporary culture and politics in India

organised by:

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Date - 18th December (Thursday)
Time- 10AM

Venue: MPC Autonomous College Conference Hall

Chief Patron: Prof. Narayan Prashad Behera Patron: Dr. Albertina Tirkey Convenor: Dr. Arun Ray

CONCEPT NOTE

The advent of the digital age has ushered in transformative changes across various facets of human society notably in culture, tradition and politics. In the Indian Context, the rapid digital transformation over the last decade- accelerated by Digital India Mission (2015), expanding internet connectivity, and the proliferation of smart phones- has reshaped the everyday life of its citizens. The digital age has not only revolutionalised Communication and culture but also reshaped political participation, government policy and public discourse. Understanding these shifts is crucial by scholars, policy makers and civil society as India stands at the intersection of technological innovation and democratic evolution. This seminar, titled

The Digital Age:exploring its influence on contemporary culture and politics in India aims to delve into intersections. It seeks to understand how digital advancements are reshaping cultural identities, political participation, governance practices and public discourse.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. To explore the evolution of digital culture in India and its impact on communication, consumption, and social behaviour.
 - 2. To analyse the role of digital media technology in shaping political awareness participation and public opinion.
 - 3. To assess how digital governance initiatives are transforming state citizen interventions.
- 4. To identify the challenges posed by digitalisation such as misinformation, surveillance concerns, and digital divide.
 - 5. To propose a pathway for strengthening democratic and cultural resilience in the digital age

Eminent Speakers

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Patron cum senior most faculty, Department of Political Science Eminent Speakers

We are pleased to invite academicians, researchers, students, and enthusiasts to participate in our one-day International seminar exploring the contribution and constraints of the digital age in culture and politics in India.

Key Themes:

-Cultural Transformation
-Political impact
-Digital governance and public policy
-Inequality and digital divide

Expected Outcomes:

A comprehensive understanding of how the digital age is reshaping both culture and politics in India.

Identification of opportunities for strengthening democratic engage-ment through digital tools.

Insights into the risks posed by misinformation privacy issue and digital inequality. Policy recommendation for inclusive and ethical digital governance.