

### Second Session

#### Internal Security (3:00 p.m. to 5 p.m.)

- **Topic** : National Security and India's Security challenges 2020  
: 45 min Talk & 15 min Discussion
- **Speaker** : Air Chief Marshall Pradip Naik PVSM VSM ADC (RETD.)
- **Topic** : Indian Maritime Security  
: 45 min Talk & 15 min Discussion
- **Speaker** : Rear Admiral Satish Godbole VSM (RETD.)
- **High Tea**

Day 2 : 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2020

### Third Session

#### International Relations (11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

- **Topic** : National Interest and the Role of Foreign Policy  
: 45 min Talk & 15 min Discussion
- **Speaker** : Ambassador Rakesh Sood ( IFS Retd.)  
Distinguished Fellow at Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi.
- **Topic** : India's Foreign and Security Policy : The Modi Years  
: 45 min Talk & 15 min Discussion
- **Speaker** : Prof. Shrikant Pranjpe  
Research Fellow, Centre for Military Studies, Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa
- **Venue** : Conference Hall, Department of Environmental Science, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune-411007
- **Lunch** : 1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.
- **Paper Presentation by Faculty and Research Scholars**  
2.00 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. (6 min for each paper)

### Fourth Session

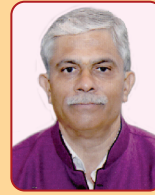
#### Politics and Governance (2:30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.)

- **Topic** : Role of Public Institutions in Indian Democracy  
: 45 min Talk & 15 min Discussion
- **Speaker** : Dr. Sanjyot Apte  
Vice-Principal, S. P. College, Pune
- **Topic** : Institution and Administration in Economic Policy  
: 45 min Talk & 15 min Discussion
- **Speaker** : Dr. Pradeep Apte  
Honorary Professor, Ghokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Pune
- **Venue** : Conference Hall, Department of Environmental Science, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune-411007

Valedictory Address (4.30 p. m. Onwards)

By Dr. N. S. Umarani, Hon'ble Pro-Vice Chancellor, SPPU

- High Tea



Prof. (Dr.) Nitin R. Karmalkar  
Vice Chancellor,  
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Dr. N. S. Umarani  
Pro-Vice-Chancellor,  
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Dr. Prafulla A. Pawar  
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### ATTENDANCE BY REGISTRATION



SAVITRIBAI PHULE PUNE UNIVERSITY  
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## COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS CENTRE

### National Seminar On

## 'Contemporary India : Vision 2020'

Sponsored by  
The Centre for Social Sciences  
and Humanities (CSSH), SPPU (Under UPE II)

Date :  
10-11 January, 2020



Venue : Conference Hall, Department Of Environmental  
Science, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune-411007

## National Seminar

Competitive Examinations Centre is organizing a two-day National Seminar on the theme 'Contemporary India : Vision 2020' inviting eminent speakers/scholars/experts to deliver lectures on issues that concern us and have engaged attention of our society and nation.

### Objectives of the Competitive Examinations Centre:

Established in 1970, the Competitive Examinations Centre, Savitribai Phule Pune University, has always nurtured the following objectives:

- Creating awareness and encouraging youth to appear for UPSC/ MPSC Civil Services Examinations and other Competitive Examinations.
- Cultivating interest and providing specific training required for such Examinations.
- Building confidence among the students through continuous counseling, and providing necessary exposure to competitive environment.
- Providing adequate infrastructure and state-of-the-art training tools for achieving such targets.

The objective behind organizing seminar is to create an informed, discerning and organized mind, equipped to compete and succeed.

### Seminar Concept Note

Today, in a globalised world, India is witnessing profound changes in society, politics and economy. The world is keen to engage with India. Since independence India has marked the journey from being 'underdeveloped' to 'developing' and aspiring to be 'developed', a \$5 trillion economy. The resurgent economy, advancement of science and technology expanding middle class, and the restless, aspirational majority at the bottom of the pyramid, are the main characteristic of contemporary India that enjoys an unprecedented demographic dividend.

On the other hand, India is struggling to find inclusive ways to balance growth with equity. Endemic corruption poverty, misogyny, exploitation of children and weaker sections are as evident as the ideological friction and development-versus-environment challenges consuming our national and societal discourses.

Such a confusing but challenging state of contemporary India demands serious attention.

The proposed seminar ventures to explore possibilities of defining the nature of contemporary India and address the following themes and resultant questions arising out of the focal theme.

### 1 Internal Security

In this session we aim to identify the new challenges of internal security. The issue of cyber security and privacy has acquired urgency in the era of 'Digital India'. The expansion of internet and growing consumption of data by youth has multiple consequences. Fake news, rumors and hate speech spread like fire in the era of 24/7 news and social media, resulting in the tensions and conflicts of alarming magnitude. They often acquire communal overtones and provide grounds that breed extremism or terrorism. In this session we aim to identify the issues and challenges of our internal security and seek practical answers.

### 2. Politics and Governance

India is a nation where multiple religions, castes, communities, cultures and languages cohabit. Against all odds, Indian Democracy has sustained. Contemporary Indian polity is passing through many twists and turns. The recent Parliamentary election has changed many previous equations. This session will address various issues like the "Idea of India" and perceived threat to a secular, democratic nation? Is India moving towards single party politics? What are the implications of one nation one language or identity politics?

Is the present economic model sustainable; is development by-passing the poor and the down-trodden?

### 3. Environment and Science

With rapid globalization and urbanization, the present model of 'development' has also seen indiscriminate exploitation of natural resources at the cost of environment. This session aims at understanding issues relating to sustainable but eco-friendly development and how science can assist in achieving the objective. Is India's Space Programme cost-effective or is it diverting resources from inclusive development?

### 4. International Relations

India aspires to emerge as a global power. The image of new emerging India has placed it in the focus of global imagination. In a scenario of multi-polar world India's foreign policy needs more academic discussion on American withdrawal from Afghanistan, the Pakistani albatross and the Chinese challenge, Act East policy, etc.

The seminar will encourage academic discussion involving scholars from diverse disciplines and try to address the complex realities of contemporary time.

## Schedule of the Seminar

**Day 1 : 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2020**

**Venue** : Conference Hall, Department of Environmental Science, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune-411007

**Registration** : 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. to 11.15 a.m. - **Inaugural Ceremony**

**Table Plan :**

- **SPP University Song (Recorded)**
- **Welcome & introduction**  
by Dr. C. R. Das, Faculty CEC, SPPU
- **Felicitation of the Key Note Speaker**  
By Jayant Umranikar, Emeritus Professor & Director, CEC, SPPU
- **Inaugural Address**  
by Prof. Jayant Umranikar, Director, CEC, SPPU

**Key Note Address**

**BY Prof. Nitin Karmalkar, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, SPPU**

**Vote of Thanks**

by Dr. S. Fazal D. Firdausi, Faculty CEC, SPPU

• **High Tea**

**First Session**

**Environment and Science (11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.)**

- **Topic** : **Are we Facing Apocalypse due to Global Warming?**  
45 min Talk & 15 min Discussion
- **Speaker** : **Dr. Satish Kulkarni**  
Former Director of Energy Programme at Virginia Tech
- **Topic** : **India's Space Program: Vision 2020**  
45 min Talk & 15 min Discussion
- **Speaker** : **Dr. Pramod Kale**  
Former Head, Electronics Division (Satellite Systems)  
Space Science and Technology Centre, (ISRO), Thiruvananthapuram.
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