The Department of Economics, Prashanti Nilayam Campus is organizing a two day conference, titled, ‘Indian Economy: Perspectives and Challenges’ on 21st & 22nd February 2014.

THEME OF THE CONFERENCE

The Indian economy, after its liberalization in 1991, has grown rapidly and it has become 10th largest economy in the world. However recent slowdown in the economy brought down the GDP to 4.4%. This can be attributed to external as well as internal causes. The consequent slowdown, especially in 2012-13, has been across the board, with no sector of the economy unaffected. Falling savings without a commensurate fall in aggregate investment have led to a widening current account deficit (CAD). Wholesale price index (WPI) inflation has been coming down in recent months. However, food inflation, after a brief slowdown, continues to be higher than overall inflation. Another consequence of the slowdown has been lower-than-targeted tax and non-tax revenues. The subsidies bill, particularly that of petroleum products, increasing and the danger that fiscal targets would be breached substantially. Several measures announced in recent months are aimed at restoring the fiscal health of the government, shrinking the CAD and also improving the growth rate. The new environment is one in which innovation, flexibility, micro-economic decisions taken in individual firms, in individual institutions are going to pave the way for new ways of doing things for the whole nation.
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2. Trade and Balance of Payments
3. Economic Growth and Development
4. Fiscal and Monetary Policies
5. Financial Markets
6. Global Economic Meltdown
7. Health and Education
8. Rural Uplift and Inclusive Growth
9. Ethical Perspectives

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