



# JANKI DEVI MEMORIAL COLLEGE

## HERITAGE

### THE HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Under the aegis of IQAC Centre of Career Counseling,  
Career Opportunities and Skill Enhancement

invites abstracts for

## YOUNG SCHOLARS' CONFERENCE

ON THE OCCASION OF

## WORLD DAY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE

on the theme

## TOWARDS AN EQUAL SOCIETY: SOCIAL JUSTICE IN THE PAST AND PRESENT



Open to students pursuing a Bachelor's or Master's degree

Abstract word limit: 250-300 words

Send in your abstracts by 15th February 2024 to  
[history.department@jdm.ac.in](mailto:history.department@jdm.ac.in)

Find the detailed concept note and submission guidelines  
in the brochure, linked in our bio: [ig/theheritage.jdmc](https://www.instagram.com/theheritage.jdmc)

# ABOUT HERITAGE & Gāthā'24

Heritage, the History Department Association of Janki Devi Memorial College, proudly presents "Gāthā", its annual Department Festival, on February 20, 2024. Within the walls of Janki Devi Memorial College, where scholarly endeavours echo through time, Gāthā embodies intellectual fervour and cultural enrichment.

The History Department at Janki Devi Memorial College boasts an enrolment of approximately 400 students who delve into the study of history across its varied departments. For this year's Gāthā, the theme centres around commemorating World Day of Social Justice, imbuing the festival with a deep sense of significance.

# ABOUT YOUNG SCHOLARS' CONFERENCE

The focal point of the event is a Young Scholars' conference, with invitations extended to students from diverse institutions. The overarching aim is to encapsulate the essence of World Day of Social Justice, fostering discussions that aim to nurture a fairer and more inclusive society through the exchange of ideas.

# THEME

“Every time we witness an injustice and do not act on it, we train our character to be passive in its presence and thereby eventually lose all ability to defend ourselves and those we love”

The history of human civilisation has been plagued with oppression and inequalities. From caste and gender violence to persecution of tribes and communities, history has witnessed numerous forms of injustice. The great leaders of the past are remembered for their consistent efforts to eradicate these forms of inequalities. Lamentably, many of these practices of the past have crept into the present times. Realising the strong presence of injustice in the world, the United Nations has recognised the 20th of February as the World Day of Social Justice to spread awareness about the need for social justice, and encourage efforts to tackle issues such as poverty, inequality, exclusion, and discrimination.

Social justice involves the fair and equitable distribution of resources, opportunities, and privilege within societies. It emphasizes the elimination of discrimination based on factors such as gender, age, race, ethnicity, religion, disability, or socio-economic status, social disparity. At its core, social justice aims to rectify historical and systemic injustices, ensuring that all individuals have the chance to thrive and fulfill their potential. The celebration of the World Day of Social Justice aims to highlight the importance of addressing social and economic challenges that impact people worldwide.

Emphasising the importance of the notable day, the Department of History, Janki Devi Memorial College invites scholars to submit papers for the Young Scholars' Conference titled 'Towards an Equal Society: Social Justice in the Past and Present' to be held on the 20th of February 2024. The purpose of the event is to bring young scholars across disciplines to explore the diverse dimensions of social justice in India and beyond. The papers can be empirical or theoretical but should be original contributions. We welcome papers that explore a wide array of themes related to social justice, including but not limited to:

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# SUB- THEMES

- 1)History and Gender
- 2)Caste Inequalities
- 3)Class Struggle in India
- 4)Refugee Crisis
- 5)Climate Justice
- 6)Human-Manufactured Disaster
- 7)Human Rights
- 8)Poverty
- 9)Tribal Rights and Land Dispossession
- 10)Racial Justice and Anti-Racism Movements
- 11)Labour Rights and Exploitation
- 12)Educational Equity and Access
- 13)LGBTQ+ rights
- 14)Hunger and Food Insecurity

# WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Open to students pursuing a Bachelor's or Master's degree.

## GUIDELINES

Abstracts should be between 250-300 words, clearly outlining the research objectives, methodologies, and anticipated outcomes.

Submissions can be historical studies or interdisciplinary in nature, connecting multiple facets of social justice.


Abstract Submission Deadline: 15th February, 2024

Notification of Acceptance: 17th February, 2024

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Join us in this intellectual journey to explore the intricacies of social justice, connecting history with contemporary challenges, and shaping a more inclusive and equitable future. We look forward to your valuable contributions.