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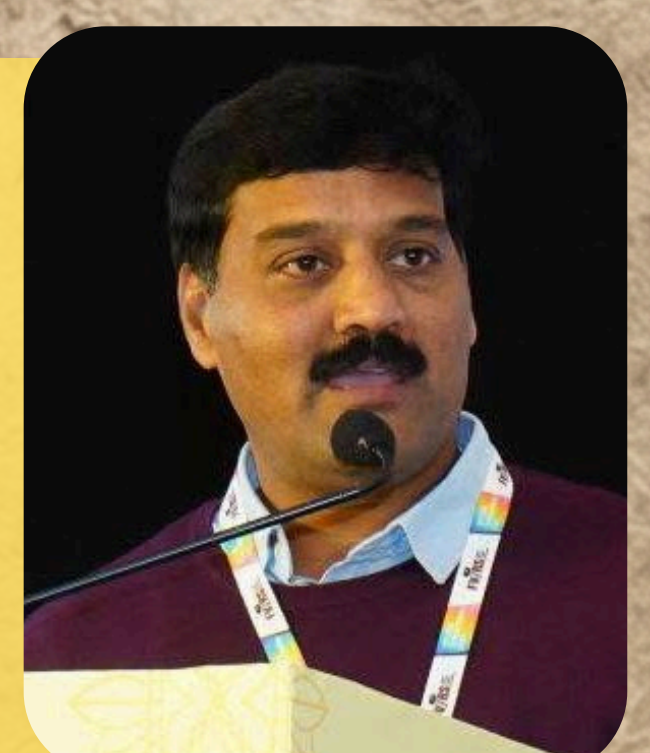
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Central University of Karnataka

The Central University of Karnataka (CUK), established by the Parliament in 2009 (Act No. 3), is located in Kalaburagi, Karnataka. As one of 16 new Central Universities, it aims to enhance access to quality higher education in underdeveloped regions. Over 654 acres near Kadaganchi village, CUK was among the first to shift to its permanent campus. The University integrates teaching, research, innovation, and skill development across six disciplines: Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, Management, Sciences, and Engineering. It is committed to academic excellence and sustainability, fostering a green and energy-efficient campus.

About School of Social & Behavioural Sciences:

The School of Social and Behavioural Sciences has the distinction of excellence and innovation in teaching, research, practice, community engagement and extension services through the academic programmes to study and address the contemporary issues of society. The academic programmes of the school are engaged in crafting young human resources to emerge as leaders in the academic disciplines like Psychology, History, Social Work, Public Administration and Folklore Studies.

The objective of the School is to empower students to professionally engage using their critical thinking on issues such as human development, historical analysis and contemporary debates on Governance, public service delivery challenges, social transformation, human rights, social justice, and gender-related issues.

About the Department

The Department established in 2019 offers Post Graduate (Public Administration & Governance) and Doctoral programme. These programmes are aimed to provide a broader philosophical and theoretical understanding of Administration and equip student with practical skills of research on how government works. Students of Public Administration & Governance study various aspects of governance like, how governments make policy decisions to how policies are implemented at ground level. Administration & Governance encompasses all three levels of government (federal-state-local bodies) and addresses the contemporary issues.

In an increasingly market-oriented economy, the role of Public Administrators and Public Policy makers has also undergone significant shift. The offered programmes in the Department of Public Administration, CUK provide a wide range of theoretical and application-oriented inputs on various aspects of managing public policy and public-systems.

The program is a unique integration of concepts, tools, and techniques with emphasis on public policy. Its thrust is on interdisciplinary approaches in learning, critical thinking, global orientation, and innovation. The program aims to train present and future leaders, functionaries in government and non-government agencies, and civil society.



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About the Seminar:

The seminar theme holds relevance in the contemporary times, by adopting a historical lens to understand and discern the peculiarities of the political and administrative structures that existed in the Deccan area during the Medieval period; and by facilitating dialogue between historians, political scientists, and policy experts to draw comparative insights from archival evidence. A special focus is being given on analysing the socio-political and administrative system of Kalyan- Karnataka region.

The administrative and political history of the medieval Deccan reflects a long tradition of adaptation and resilience. Under successive rule of powerful dynasties: the Rashtrakutas, Chalukyas of Kalyani, Vijayanagara Empire, AdilShahi Sultanate, and the Hyderabad Nizam, each dynasty preserved functional aspects of its predecessor's system while introducing innovations suited to its political goals. The result was a composite governance model balancing central authority with local autonomy, legal pluralism with political cohesion, and cultural diversity with administrative stability. This legacy offers both historical insight and practical relevance for contemporary debates on decentralization, inclusive governance, and the value of traditional institutions in modern administrative frameworks.

In this regard Department of Public Administration, Central University of Karnataka in collaboration with Department of Archives, Government of Karnataka and Indian Institute of Public Administration-Karnataka Regional branch is inviting scholars, researchers and academicians across the country to participate in the National Seminar titled "Political and Administrative History of Medieval Deccan: Probing the Past" at Central University of Karnataka.

Objectives of the seminar:

- To identify and acknowledge the contributions of medieval administrative practices in framing the administrative systems of modern India.
- To explore local governance through the functioning of village assemblies, hereditary offices, resource management, and participatory administration.
- To interrogate secular politics by analysing mechanisms for religious plurality and political inclusivity
- To assess gender inclusive governance by examining inheritance laws and practice, cultural patronage and local governance.

Call for Papers:

The Seminar welcomes research papers from all disciplines that relate to the below mentioned seminar themes. The seminar will be inaugurated with a keynote address followed by panel discussion on the themes.

Proposed themes for paper submission:

1. Political and Administrative History of Medieval Deccan.
2. Documents that support the construction of the political and administrative history of the medieval Deccan
3. Administrative structures of Rashtrakutas, Chalukyas, Vijayanagara, AdilShahis, and Nizams.
4. Village-level governance and autonomy in medieval Deccan.
5. Women's participation in administration and diplomacy
6. Judicial System and dispute resolution across dynasties in Medieval Deccan.
7. Nature of Secular practices in the Medieval Deccan Politics.

Submission Guidelines:

- Submit an abstract of not more than 250 words with a maximum of 5 keywords.
- Use Times New Roman font with size 12 and 1.5 line spacing.
- Last date for Abstract submission: 15 January 2026
- Acceptance of the abstract will be communicated on 16 January 2026.
- Last date to submit the full paper: 25 January 2026.

Fee Structure:

- For registration: All Categories: INR 250/-
- For paper presentation:(To be paid ONLY after acceptance of abstract)
- Students & Research scholars: INR 300/-
- Faculty/Academicians/Practitioners: INR 750/-
- Accommodation will be provided on first come first serve basis.

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- Participants must mention the purpose as 'FEE TOWARDS NSDPA 2026'
- All the participants must submit fee-paid receipts to nsdpa2026@gmail.com

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