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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE, GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA, BENGALURU
Jointly Organises



One Day International Conference

on the occasion of **69th Mahaparinibbana** of
Great Humanist & Epoch Maker Babasaheb Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
On

**'DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR AS A WORLD LEADER:
HIS LEGACY AND RELEVANCE'**

**ವಿಶ್ವನಾಯಕರಾಗಿ ಡಾ. ಬಿ. ಆರ್. ಅಂಬೇಡ್ಕರ್:
ಅವರ ಪರಂಪರೆ ಮತ್ತು ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತತೆ**

Date : 6th December 2025 • Time: 10 am • Venue : Golden Jubilee Hall, K.U. Dharwad

ABOUT KARNATAK UNIVERSITY :



Karnatak University was established at Dharwad in the Indian State of Karnataka in October 1949. It is the second oldest University in the Karnataka state. It had its official inauguration in 1st March 1950. It was established to cater to the needs of higher education of people of North Karnataka. The Campus is spread over a vast area of 888 acres and has its own ambience with a sylvan setting of undulating greenery. The rapid development of the institution is credited to the Wrangler Dr. D.C. Pavate, the then Vice- Chancellor (1954 to 1967). The University has 48 PG Departments, 2 PG Centers, 5 Constituent Colleges, 275 Affiliated Colleges. 223 PG and 2780 U.G Teachers are working under P.G. Departments, Constituent and Affiliated Colleges. Around 7726 PG and 82,938 UG Students are pursuing their studies. Various traditional and need based courses are offered to prepare the students to face the larger challenges of life. The University is accredited with 'A' grade by National Assessment & Accreditation Council during 2022.

The excellence in teaching, research and academic performance has earned the prestigious tag of 'University with Potential for Excellence' by the UGC in 2012 which speaks of its academic excellence of than 76 years of fruitful existence.

DEPARTMENT OF DR. B.R. AMBEDKAR STUDIES - A PROFILE:



**Dr. B. R Ambedkar Studies
K.U. Dharwad**



**Proposed Dr. B. R Ambedkar
Museum & Library, K.U. Dharwad**

The Department of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies was established in the year 1988. Karnatak University holds the credit of being the pioneering institution of higher education to start the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Chair in the Department of Political Science headed by late Prof. A.M. Rajashekhariah, who obtained his Ph.D on Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. He was instrumental in establishing the Ambedkar Chair with the help of UGC grants, first of its kind in the entire country.

Department of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies offers Post-Graduate Diploma in Dr. Ambedkar and Open Elective Courses, which help the students to understand the life and philosophy of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. Every year about 800 students study Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's Thoughts and Philosophy. The department had organized Dr. B.R. Ambedkar memorial lectures by inviting eminent jurists namely Justice P.B. Gajendragadkar the then, Chief Justice, High Court of Maharashtra, Justice A. Varadaraja, Justice A.R. Krishna Iyer, Justice O. Chinnappa Reddy and Justice M. Rama Jois. The department offers courses in Dr. Ambedkar's life and mission, social, economic, religious philosophy and political thoughts. The department has been instrumental in organizing conferences, seminars, workshops, special talks on various aspects of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's contributions to the world at large and oppressed sections of society in particular. On occasion of the celebration of 69th Mahaparinirvan of Dr. B R Ambedkar, One Day International Conference has been by the department in collaboration with Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Training, Research and Extension Centre, GOK on **Dr. B. R. Ambedkar As a Global Leader: His Legacy and Relevance.**

The Department is set out to organize an International Conference on the theme entitled Dr. B. R. Ambedkar As a "Global Leader: His Legacy and Relevance" on the auspicious occasion of celebration of 69th Mahaparinirvan of Dr. B R Ambedkar, a messiah and liberator of depressed classes and women of India on 6th December, 2025.

One Day International Conference on

‘DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR AS A WORLD LEADER: HIS LEGACY AND RELEVANCE’

organized by Dept. of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies, Karnatak University, Dharwad on
6th December 2025.



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“I refuse to join with them in performing the miracle—I will not say trick—of liberating the oppressed with the gold of the tyrant, and raising the poor with the cash of the rich.” - **Dr. B. R. Ambedkar**

DR. B.R. AMBEDKAR & DHARWAD

A UNIQUE RELATIONSHIP

In 1856 a Mahar (oppressed class) boy sought admission to pursue his education in Dharwad, then the East India Company was ruling India. Because of the social restrictions imposed by Caste Hindus on Depressed Classes, the concerned committee could not take the decision in favour of Mahar boy. Therefore, the company referred the case to the then Queen Victoria of England. When Babasaheb Ambedkar was pursuing higher education in U.K. (1920), in the India Office Library he came across records of plea of Mahar boy. Babasaheb Ambedkar was thrilled to see the letter of the boy. In this connection Babasaheb Ambedkar wanted to visit Dharwad. In 1929 he started a Boarding for untouchable boys. In the year 1930-31 when Babasaheb Ambedkar went to England to participate in the Round Table Conference, Matoshri Ramabai came to Dharwad and stayed with the inmates of the boarding and in the time of distress she had to pawn her gold bangles to provide ration for the poor inmates. Sir Siddappa Kambli the then Minister for Education who hailed from Dharwad was very close to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. In the year 1925-26 Bombay Government appointed a University Reform Committee, Sir Chimanalal Setlavad was appointed as a Chairman. Though Ambedkar was not a member of the Committee, the Committee sent a questionnaire to him. Babasaheb Dr. B. R. Ambedkar gave a written report to the committee in which he recommended to consider Dharwad as a potential centre for higher education and to start a University. Hence this university

CLIMATE AND PLACES OF TOURISTS INTEREST :

Dharwad has moderate climate in December. The nearby tourist places are Dandeli, Goa, Kittur Fort, Savadatti, Gotagodi, Badami, Aihole, Maski, Pattadakallu, Hampi, Bijapur, Buddha Vihar at Sannati and Gulbarga.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES :

A cultural programme is organized in the evening on 6th December 2025 at the Conference Venue.

ACCOMMODATION

For outstation students general accommodation in common rooms / halls of the ladies and boys hostels respectively, will be provided on the Karnatak University Campus upon their request. However, the list of some of the good hotels in the twin cities of Dharwad and Hubli are given below:

Details of Hotels in Dharwad and Hubli City

1. Hotel Brindavana – Tel No: 0836-2435036
2. Hotel Hoysala – Tel No: 0836-2445628
3. Hotel Indraprastha – Tel No: 0836-2446746
4. Hotel Ankit – Tel No: 09886942333
5. Hotel Palaksha Inn – Tel No: 0836-2745519
6. Hotel Mandara Regency – Tel No: 0836-2741639
7. Hotel Central Park – Tel No: 0836-2440797
8. Hotel Manorama – Tel No: 09148831441
9. Hotel Karishma – Tel No: 0836-2436441
10. Hotel Vaishali – Tel No: 0836-2447235
11. Hotel Karnataka Bhawan – Tel No: 0836-2442261
12. Hotel Mayur Aditya Resort – Tel No: 0836-2461701
13. Hotel Kamat Yatrinivas – Tel No: 0836-2461163



“Every man who repeats the dogma of Mill that one country is no fit to rule another country must admit that one class is not fit to rule another class.” - **Dr. B. R. Ambedkar**



"It is not enough to be electors only. It is necessary to be law-makers; otherwise those who can be law-makers will be the masters of those who can only be electors." - **Dr. B. R. Ambedkar**

REGISTRATION DETAILS

The participants should send their duly filled registration form along with the full length paper and the registration fee in cash / DD / through electronic transfer/ drawn in **favour of Convener, One Day International Conference 2025, Department of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Studies Karnatak University, Dharwad**. Payable at Canara Bank, Karnatak University Campus Branch, Dharwad - 580003.

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ABOUT DHARWAD CITY

Dharwad is the district headquarters and the cultural capital of north Karnataka. The city is built on seven hills and lakes. It is also called as Chota Mahabaleshwar. Dharwad in the fringe of Malenadu is a centre for higher education with several universities, including the recent addition of IIT and IIIT. It is known for its great traditions in music and literature. The twin cities Dharwad and Hubballi occupy an important place in the state. Dharwad is 425 KMS northwest of Bangalore on NH 4 between Bangalore and Pune. It is well connected with Bus, Train and Air facilities. The nearest airports are : Hubballi Airport (22kms), Belagavi Sambre Airport (80kms), Goa Panjim Airport (160 kms)

Dharwad has a history of over one millennium. All the dynasties of North Karnataka ruled the region until 1818 when the British began their rule after overthrowing the Peshwas of Pune. Under The British Dharwad was a humble town. The town has fort built by the Vijayangar empire in 1403. Dharwad played a significant role in India's struggle for Independence. Great leaders namely Tilak (1907) Gandhiji and Lala Lajpat Rai (both in 1921) Rajaji (1927) Bose (1938). Savarkar (1940) have paid their visit to this town. Progressive King of Kolhapur, Chatrapati Shahu Maharaja, was educated at Maratha Mandal Campus in Dharwad.

Great humanist, Epoch maker Dr. B. R. Ambedkar and his wife Mathoshri Ramabai Ambedkar visited this place and stayed here at Buddha Rakkhit School at Dharwad. The Dharwadians celebrated at the circle now known as Jubilee Circle in 1947 when India got its Independence. Hence the city of Dharwad is going to lay a milestone in organizing this International Conference under the auspicious of Karnatak University, Dharwad.

“Democracy is not merely a form of Government...It is essentially an attitude of respect and reverence towards fellowmen.” - **Dr. B. R. Ambedkar**



PANEL DISCUSSIONS - SUB-THEMES

1. Relevance of Dr. Ambedkar's Democratic Ideas to contemporary world.
2. Dr. Ambedkar as a Champion of Human Rights in contemporary world.
3. Equality Beyond Borders: Dr. Ambedkar's Thought.
4. Pragmatism of Dr. Ambedkar
5. Dr. Ambedkar's Perspectives of Social Justice: The path way to Global Peace.
6. Human Centered Economics: From Ambedkar to the world.
7. Inclusive Growth: The Path to the Global Peace and Prosperity.
8. The Buddha and Dr. Ambedkar: Voices for Global Humanism.
9. Peace through Dhamma: Dr. Ambedkar's Message to the world.
10. Buddhism and Social Reconstruction: A Global Humanitarian Approach.

CALL FOR PAPERS :

Papers on the above sub themes are invited by scholars, academicians, faculty members, students, researchers and experts in the field. The participants have to send their full length papers both in hard copy and soft copy to the Co-ordinator, Department of Dr. B R Ambedkar Studies, Karnatak University, Dharwad, e-mail id: dr.b.r.ambedkar130@gmail.com (exclusively for the paper acceptance only) by 30th November 2025. The papers must be less than 1500 words in length in A4 size. Times New Roman, font size 12, one and half spacing. Papers must be strictly original in nature and should be free from plagiarism. References should be given at the end of the paper as per publication manual of MLA handbook. Declaration should be given by the author that the paper is original and has not been published earlier or has not been submitted / accepted for publication elsewhere. The papers shall be peer reviewed before they find inclusion in the volume with ISBN. Priority will be given to the articles having originality & quality with regard to content and presentation of ideas. Adherence to these guidelines is able to enhance the quality of research papers.



“Political tyranny is nothing compared to the social tyranny and a reformer who defies society is a more courageous man than a politician who defies Government.” - **Dr. B. R. Ambedkar**

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