



**INDIAN COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH
NORTH-WESTERN REGIONAL CENTRE**

Panjab University, Chandigarh -160014
Ministry of Education (Government of India)

ICSSR- North Western Regional Centre, Chandigarh invites online proposals for organizing Seminar/ Conference/ Workshop for the year 2026-27 in the field of Social Sciences. This initiative aims to encourage academic discourse and research dissemination.

Key objectives of the call

- To encourage research on socially relevant and policy-oriented themes.
- To promote seminars in underrepresented and backward regions.
- To encourage interaction between scholars from diverse backgrounds and disciplines to enhance the quality and impact of social science research.

Focus on following Thrust Areas :

S.No	Broad Domains	S.no	Broad Domains
1	Economics/ Development Studies	10	Political Science
2	Management/ Commerce	11	Health Studies/ Divyanggan Studies
3.	Sociology/ Social Work / Social Anthropology	12	Gender Studies/ Cultural Studies
4	Socio-Philosophical Studies	13	Social Psychology
5.	Library Science	14	Education and Skilling/ Indian Knowledge Systems
6.	Public Administration	15	Urban and Rural Studies/ Diaspora Studies
7.	Media Studies	16	National Security and Strategic Studies/ International Relations / Geopolitics
8.	Legal Studies	17	Social Human Geography/ Environmental Studies
9.	Modern Social History	18	Language Studies/ Socio-Linguistics/ Sanskrit Studies

Eligibility to apply:

The following are eligible to apply:

- ❖ **Institutions:** Public-funded universities, colleges, ICSSR-recognized research institutions, institutes of national importance and registered academic associations from the North-Western Region (Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, J&K, Ladakh, and Chandigarh).
- ❖ **Private Institutions:** Must provide valid **UGC 12B/ 2F certification**.
- ❖ **Convener Eligibility:** Regular faculty with a Ph.D.degree. Ph.D./PDF scholars may participate in organizing committees but cannot serve as conveners.
- ❖ **Repeat Grants:** Applicant who received a grant for a national/ international seminar must wait for **two financial years** before reapplying.
- ❖ Only **one proposal** per applicant is allowed in a financial year.

Note: Applicant must intend to publish the seminar outcomes (e.g. conference proceedings, edited volumes or journal papers) with due acknowledgment to ICSSR. The application format is available at following link:

Google form link : <https://forms.gle/UoVU5L3cAkDeWGwN6>

Applicant can mail duly filled application with forwarding letter from head of Institution at icssr@pu.ac.in

Duly filled hard copy of application form along with Institution forwarding letter must be sent at the following address:

**ICSSR-NWRC, Seminar-cum-Guest House Complex;
Sector-14, Panjab University Campus,
Chandigarh, India- 160014**

Online Application will be accepted as per the following schedule:

- 1. Submission of soft copy of the application : August 15th 2026, 5 p.m.**
- 2. Submission of hardcopy of application : August 22nd 2026, 5 p.m.**

Note : For further enquiry, applicant may visit <http://icssrnwrc.org>

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