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Micro Research Centre (MRC)

Centre for Contribution of Ancient Indian Knowledge to Global Human Prosperity



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(i) Purpose:

The purpose of the Centre for Research on Contribution of Ancient Indian Knowledge to Global Human Prosperity is to explore, document, and disseminate the contributions of ancient Indian knowledge systems to various aspects of global human prosperity, including well-being, social harmony, economic development, and scientific advancement.

(ii) Objectives:

- (1) To systematically investigate the contributions of ancient Indian knowledge systems to global human prosperity.
- (2) To analyze and contextualize these contributions in contemporary global contexts.
- (3) To promote interdisciplinary research and collaboration among scholars in the fields of history, philosophy, science, and social sciences.
- (4) To disseminate research findings through academic publications, conferences, and public engagements.
- (5) To provide educational resources and training programs that highlight the relevance and applications of ancient Indian knowledge in today's world.

(iii) Description:

The research methodology and design will include:

- (1) Literature Review: Conduct comprehensive reviews of ancient Indian texts, inscriptions, and historical records to identify contributions to various domains.
- (2) Interpretative Analysis: Utilize hermeneutical methods to interpret ancient texts and understand their implications for contemporary issues.
- (3) Comparative Studies: Compare ancient Indian contributions with those from other ancient civilizations to highlight unique aspects and universal principles.
- (4) Case Studies: Develop case studies showcasing the application of ancient Indian knowledge in contemporary contexts.
- (5) Field Research: Conduct fieldwork to gather empirical data on the continuing influence and application of ancient Indian knowledge in modern communities.

(iv) Proposed Functions:

- (1) Conducting research projects focused on documenting the contributions of ancient Indian knowledge systems to global prosperity.
- (2) Organizing seminars, conferences, and workshops to facilitate discussions and knowledge exchange on these contributions.
- (3) Publishing research findings in academic journals, books, and online platforms.
- (4) Offering educational programs, including courses and training sessions, on the relevance of ancient Indian knowledge to modern issues.
- (5) Establishing an online repository of resources, including translations, research papers, and multimedia content related to ancient Indian contributions.

(v) List of Working Papers:

- (1) Health and Well-being: Investigate ancient Indian contributions to medicine, wellness practices, and holistic health approaches, such as Ayurveda and yoga.
- (2) Social Harmony and Ethics: Explore ancient Indian philosophies and ethical teachings that promote social harmony, justice, and moral values.
- (3) Economic Thought and Practices: Examine ancient Indian economic principles, trade practices, and their relevance to modern economic development and sustainability.
- (4) Scientific and Technological Innovations: Document ancient Indian contributions to science and technology, including mathematics, astronomy, metallurgy, and engineering.
- (5) Cultural and Artistic Heritage: Study the influence of ancient Indian art, literature, and cultural practices on global artistic traditions and cultural exchanges.

(vi) Expected Outcomes:

- (1) A comprehensive body of research that highlights the significant contributions of ancient Indian knowledge to various aspects of global human prosperity.
- (2) Increased awareness and appreciation of the relevance of ancient Indian wisdom in addressing contemporary global challenges.
- (3) Enhanced interdisciplinary collaboration, resulting in enriched perspectives and innovative research approaches.
- (4) Development of educational resources and training programs that integrate ancient Indian knowledge with modern applications, benefiting scholars, educators, and the general public.
- (5) Practical applications of ancient Indian principles and practices leading to improved well-being, social harmony, economic sustainability, and scientific advancement in contemporary societies.

(vii) List of the Team Members:

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(viii) List of related Published Papers:

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