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Vellore Institute of Technology  
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## International Social Work Day

**15<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2022**

**TIME:**

**10.00 AM - 5.00 PM**

**PLATFORM:  
ZOOM MEETING**

Department of Social Sciences  
School of Social Sciences and Languages (SSL)  
VIT MSW - Social Work Students' Forum  
**CONNOISSEUR**



Organizes  
National Social Work Conference  
On

“Co-building New  
Eco-Social World:  
Leaving no one behind”-  
From  
Kanyakumari to Kashmir

## ABOUT VIT

Vellore Institute of Technology was founded in 1984 by Dr. G. Viswanathan a former Parliamentarian and Minister in the Tamilnadu Government. VIT is one of the top 10 Institutions of India and within the top 801-900 Universities of the world as per Shanghai ARWU Ranking 2021. VIT is also ranked by QS World University Ranking, Times Higher Education (THE) World University Ranking, US News Ranking, Round University Ranking, Russia and others. VIT is the first institute of India to receive QS 4-Star rating in overall category and QS 5-Star rating in teaching, employability, facilities, innovation and inclusiveness. VIT is the 12th best research and the 12th best Engineering institution of India in 2021 NIRF Ranking published by the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India. National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) has accredited VIT with the highest-grade A++ in 2021 (4th cycle). Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) has been recognized as an Institution of Eminence by Government of India. VIT-Vellore offers 40 Undergraduate, 37 Postgraduate and 13 Integrated UG/ PG Programmes, has more than 35000 students and 1400 highly trained faculty members from reputed national and international educational institutions.

## **ABOUT SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND LANGUAGES (SSL)**

The school was established as a distinct entity in 2009 and offers the B.Com. and MSW programme, in addition to M.Phil., and Ph.D. programmes in Commerce, Economics, Tamil, English, Psychology, Sociology and Hindi. The school is committed to deliver high standards of quality education, empowering students with knowledge and skills in social sciences to have positive influence on the society. Department of Social Sciences was established at VIT in 2009 under School of Social Sciences and Languages, keeping in mind to develop capable citizens who are empowered with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to make informed and responsible decisions in a diverse and interdependent world. Moreover, it gives a necessary edge and paves the way for career prospects.

## **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

The department offers courses on Social Sciences for UG programmes of both engineering and non-engineering disciplines to enable all learners to avail of opportunities across the globe. The Postgraduate programme of Master of Social Work (MSW) was introduced in 2021.

## **CONFERENCE THEME**

The social work day is celebrated on 15th March 2022. International Federation of Social Work has chosen the theme as “Co-building a New Eco-Social World: Leaving no one behind’ for this year. There is an unprecedented rapid social, environmental, technological, economic, cultural and political change globally. A great amount of work had been achieved in the recent past in terms of education, child and women empowerment, reducing poverty, increasing access to resources and opportunities, human rights, etc. However, time and again due to manmade (conditions in Afghanistan and Ukraine) and natural calamities what has been achieved with a significant amount of work and sacrifices of lives gets reversed to some extent and people fall from social protection, security and standard of living. Social workers rise up to the needs of the society in partnership with the governments, various institutions, organizations, leaderships in different spheres of society, volunteers and the individuals, groups and communities to Co-build a New Eco -Social world to make sure no one is left behind in the society and everyone is taken along to live life as basic human rights with dignity, liberty and equality with access to resources and opportunities.

## **THE AIMS OF THE CONFERENCE**

- To deliberate on current eco-social world to broaden the understanding of reality.
- To highlight the Social Work Educator’s perspective on Constructing Modern Social Environment for development.
- To Appreciate Social Work Practitioners’ efforts, identify opportunities and gaps towards building society for protecting vulnerable and marginalized.
- To kindle minds on aligning social development with natural environment for sustainable growth and development.
- Encourage Young Social Work Students to present their Perception and Ideas on Co-building Society for taking everyone along.

**SUB THEMES AND SESSIONS**

**Inaugural Session**

10.00 AM – 11.30 AM

**‘The Current Reality of Socio-Economic Dynamics’**

Inaugural session will throw light on current reality of large Socio- Economic Dynamics of Society in its broader sense. The Session will touch on the dynamics of social interactions, economic conditions, educational scenario, technological and environmental impact on the society. The session will also drive it’s focus on how does the society in general move ahead in the midst of rapidly changing conditions and what happens to people who are not benefiting from the development that is taking place. Inaugural session will set the stage for deliberations for other sessions through the day.

**Plenary Discussion - 01**

11.30 AM – 01.00 PM

**Construction of Modern Social Environment for Development – Educators’ Perspective**

Education is the backbone for the development of any society. Education plays a crucial role in shaping up the society, its values and behaviours. Educators play crucial role in constructing social environment in cognitive- values, beliefs, attitudes etc., emotional and behavioural dimensions of individual, group and community members of the society, resulting in policies and agenda for developments. Leading Social Work Educators through the plenary discussion will dwell on Co-building a New Eco -Social world from educational perspective for the promotion and development of Mental health, child and women development, creating an environment for overcoming increasing social and economic inequality and overcoming hunger and poverty to move towards more sustainable development in the society.

**Plenary Discussion - 02**

02.00 pm – 03.30 pm

**Co-building a New Eco-Social World for Social Protection- NGOs /Practitioners’ Perspective.**

There is an immense practical challenge of keeping the society move together. Social Work professionals play an important role to ensure that no one is left behind. They work in the nook and corner of the society to make sure the marginalized and weaker sections of the people are taken care of and their dignity and rights are preserved and promoted to make them integrate into the main streams of the society. This session will deliberate on the practitioners’ models, experiences, opportunities and challenges in Co-building an Eco -Social World with focus on Rural community development, Youth Development, Tribal development, low-cost health care for Urban Poor and Environment Sustainability.

**Session - 03**

04.00 -05.00 pm

**Student Forums Presentation & Valedictory**

Social Work Students Forums will make their presentations on the role of Social Work Student Forums / Associations in Co-building Eco-Social Work – Leaving No One Behind’.

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**Students . 100+ GST**  
**Professionals & Academicians Rs. 200+ GST**

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