



**Two Days International Multidisciplinary Conference**  
**“Navigating Complexity, Fostering Holistic Development,**  
**and Environmental Sustainability: A Multidisciplinary**  
**Approach to 21st Century Challenges”**  
**Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur India**  
**International Council for Education, Research and Training**  
**UN World Environment Day, June 05-06, 2025**

**Navigating Complexity, Fostering Holistic Development, and Environmental Sustainability: A Multidisciplinary Approach to 21st Century Challenges**

Commemorating UN World Environment Day, this two-day international conference served as a global platform to dissect interconnected 21st-century challenges. The theme focused on integrating multidisciplinary perspectives to navigate complexity, promote holistic human development, and advance environmental sustainability.

**Leadership & Distinguished Dignitaries:** The conference was honored by the presence of:

- Chief Guest: Mr. Vinod Singh Yadav, Deputy Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi.
- Inaugural Address: Prof. ND Mathur, President, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur.
- Conference Chair: Prof. (Dr.) Aruna Anchal, Director & Head, Research and Publication Division, ICERT; Dean, Department of Education, Baba Mastnath University, Rohtak, Haryana.

**Global Keynote Speakers:** The inaugural session featured a lineup of international scholars:

- Dr. Liz White (South Korea): Assistant Professor, Endicott College of International Studies, Woosong University, Daejeon.
- Dr. Manisha D. Bhagoji (USA): Executive Director, Professional Development Division, ICERT, Pennsylvania.
- Dr. Evelyn Ijeoma Orji (Nigeria): Head, Institute of Education, University of Calabar.

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**CHIEF GUEST & GUEST OF HONOUR**

 <b>Mr. Vinod Singh Yadav</b> Deputy Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi	 <b>Prof. ND Mathur</b> President, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur	 <b>Prof. (Dr) Aruna Anchal</b> Director & Head, Research and Publication Division ICERT, Dean, Department of Education, Baba Mastnath University Rohtak Haryana
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**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

 <b>Dr Liz White</b> Assistant Professor and Academic Assistant Coordinator Endicott College of International Studies, Woosong University, Daejeon, South Korea	 <b>Dr Manisha D Bhagoji</b> Executive Director, Professional Development Division, ICERT, Pennsylvania USA	 <b>Dr Evelyn Ijeoma Orji</b> Head, Institute of Education, University of Calabar, Nigeria	 <b>Prof. (Dr) Kusge Yagappanaj</b> PhD Faculty of Commerce, Globaltech College, Ohio, USA	 <b>Dr Navneet Kaur</b> Director & Head, Education Division, ICERT
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 <b>Prof. Suresh C Joshi</b> Former President (Vice Chancellor), Lords University (Alway), Former professor and UGC – Emeritus Fellow, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur	 <b>Dr. Neha Bhartiya</b> Assistant Professor, Amity School of Liberal Arts, Amity University, Rajasthan	 <b>Dr. Purna Singh Lavania</b> Assistant Professor Kesorla PG Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Jaipur	 <b>Dr. Harshita Sharma</b> Department of Development Studies, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur	 <b>Dr. Lehar Israni</b> Department of Development Studies, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur
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**SESSION CHAIRPERSONS**

 <b>Ms. Archana Sahay Saini</b> Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur	 <b>Ms. Chhavi Mathur</b> Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur	 <b>Ms. Teetich Limyo</b> Department of Development Studies, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur	 <b>Ms. Bhiana Priya Triwari</b> Assistant Professor, Institute, Department of Education, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur	 <b>Dr. Sumita</b> Assistant Professor and Head Department of Education and Mass Communication, Vivekananda Global University, Jaipur
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**COORDINATORS**

- Prof. (Dr.) Kosga Yagapparaj (Malaysia/USA): Faculty of Commerce, Globaltech College, Ohio, USA.
- Dr. Navneet Kaur (India): Director & Head, Education Division, ICERT.

**Session Chairpersons & Coordinators:** Technical sessions over the two days were chaired and coordinated by faculty from VGU and partner institutions:

- Prof. Suresh C. Joshi – Former Vice Chancellor, Lords University; UGC Emeritus Fellow, University of Rajasthan.
- Dr. Neha Bhartiya – Assistant Professor, Amity School of Liberal Arts, Amity University, Rajasthan.
- Dr. Prerna Singh Lavania – Assistant Professor, Kanoria PG Mahila Mahavidhyalaya, Jaipur.
- Dr. Harshita Sharma & Dr. Lehar Israni – Department of Development Studies, VGU.
- Coordinators: Ms. Archana Sahay Saini, Ms. Chhavi Mathur, Ms. Tavishi Limaye, Ms. Bhanu Priya Tiwari (all from VGU).

**Global Participation & Recognition:** The conference registered 177 participants, demonstrating a strong international and national footprint. Key participation hubs included:

- **Primary Hubs:** India and Nigeria.
- **International Reach:** Participants also joined from Kosovo, Pakistan, Qatar, and the United Arab Emirates, reflecting the global interest in the conference theme.

### Key Outcomes & Takeaway

- **Award Ceremony:** The prestigious "Chanakya Award 2025" was declared during the plenary session, recognizing outstanding contributions to research and holistic development.
- **Multidisciplinary Dialogue:** The conference successfully fostered discussions that bridged environmental science, development studies, education, and media, reinforcing the need for integrated solutions to complex global issues.
- **Strengthened Collaboration:** The event solidified the academic partnership between VGU, Jaipur, and ICERT, paving the way for future joint initiatives focused on sustainability and education.

The conference concluded with a vote of thanks by Ms. Bhoomika Badlani (HOD, Department of Development Studies, VGU) and Mr. Deepak Prasad (HOD, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, VGU).

**Watch the Full Conference Recording:** [Two Days International Conference, June 05-06, 2025](#)

The image displays two screenshots from a Zoom conference recording. The left screenshot shows a slide titled "What are some of the key issues facing heritage and museums today?" with a bulleted list: Decolonization, Restitution/repatriation, and Digital transformations. The right screenshot shows a slide for Amitav Ghosh's "The Hungry Tide" with a tree image and a summary of the novel's themes: "This novel explores the intricate dynamics between humans and nature in the Sundarbans. Ghosh juxtaposes environmental challenges with personal stories, highlighting how narratives contextualize ecological issues."