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Call for Papers**Date: 30.01.2019****Vol. 17, No. 2, April-June, 2019****Theme: Governance and Management of Natural Resources**

Resource utilization, management and governance form the core of contemporary development processes. The use of resources implies transformation of nature/environment into commodities that have market values. Natural resources can bring considerable wealth to a country, contributing to livelihoods, food security, green economy, generation of trade and enterprise at local, national and international level. In other words, natural resources can potentially contribute to development outcomes. But many resource – rich countries are plagued with unsustainability, conflicts, dysfunctional institutions, corruption and weak economic performance due to their poor management and governance. Natural resource governance refers to the norms, institutions and processes that determine how power and responsibilities over natural resources are exercised, how decisions are taken, and how citizens (men, women, indigenous people, local communities) participate in and benefit from the management of natural resources (International Union for the Conservation of Nature, IUCN).

In recent times, our mother earth and mother nature inclusive of humanity are facing a plethora of pathological symptoms in their different domains like atmosphere, hydrosphere, pedosphere, and biosphere. Humans are witnessing unprecedented rate of resource draw down and pollution problems from local to global scales. We have crossed a number of planetary boundaries and are about to touch some tipping points too soon leading to environmental and ecological crisis. The interference of humans have affected the relationship between nature and society so much so that social scientists have come up with a new concept called “Anthropocene” - the current geological era during which human activity has been the dominant influence on climate and the environment - to highlight the existing problem. These are some issues which need urgent attention/concern and as such calls for innovative thinking and action.

Underlining the significance of the subject, may we request you to kindly contribute your scholarly significant research papers on any of the following sub-themes:

- (i) Governance and Management of Natural Resources in Philosophical and Historical Perspectives;
- (ii) Governance of Natural Resources and Sustainability;
- (iii) Management of Natural Resources and Sustainability;
- (iv) CSR and Natural Resource Management;
- (v) Natural Resource Management and Sustainable Development;
- (vi) Global Warming, Climate Change and Natural Resource Management;
- (vii) Anthropogenic activities and Anthropocene;
- (viii) Consumption pattern and Natural Resource Management;
- (ix) Scheduled Areas, Panchayati Raj and Natural Resource Management;
- (x) Man – Nature Relationship Reconciliation for Sustainability of Natural Resources;
- (xi) Community approaches to Natural Resource Management;
- (xii) Case Studies of Corporate Houses on Management and Governance of Natural Resources; and
- (xiii) Any other topic related with the Management and Governance of Natural Resources.

We request you to submit your article by email, not exceeding 5000 words, to the Editor (jjdms@xiss.ac.in) as per the guidelines of the journal (see <http://xiss.ac.in/JJdms/guidelines.php>), on or before **31 March, 2019**. We ask you to submit only original work, with full and correct citations and references (using APA style). Contributors including the co-authors will be provided with one complimentary copy of the printed journal issue.

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