

## Principals Desk



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Next to the air, it is water without which any living being cannot sustain. The requirement of water is mostly for domestic, irrigation, industrial and recreational purposes. Irrigation is most important for successful crop production especially in most semi-arid parts. Watershed management is the key for the overall development of any country, because it mainly stresses on water and other natural resource management, agricultural development and overall socio-economic developmental planning of the any area. Today, every nation is looking seriously on watershed development approach. In this context, the National Seminar on “**Watershed Development in India: Issues and Realities**” is beneficial to academicians, NGOs and other bodies in different ways. The seminar provides platform for the students, teachers and researchers for the presentation of their views and research at national level. This seminar is one of the steps towards our goal, to enhance and sustain quality in teaching learning and research aptitude to achieve excellence among the students and faculty.

There is well maintained beautiful campus in Balwant College, with varieties of ornamental and medicinal plants. College has green campus with different plantation of Sag, Mango, Sandal Wood, Coconut, Custered apple etc. We have planted and maintained more than 2000 trees in our campus. I want to mention proudly that, college sustains this rich green campus even in severe draught condition, by watering one bottle per day by student. I think this is the best part of watershed development by community participation we have run in our college. Sixteen acre ‘green campus’, decent infrastructure, a rich library, spacious well equipped laboratories and hostels for boys and girls provide an excellent educational atmosphere to students. Sports, NCC, NSS, college annual, career guidance cell, placement cell and many more committees work for the all round development of the youth. College also has best research profile with research laboratories and rich library. Our staff is actively engaged in research by guiding M. Phil. and Ph.D. students, undertaking major and minor research projects and by research paper publication and presentation.

I would like to express my great pleasure to mention that, Department of Geography has organized this seminar. It gives me an immense pleasure to welcome Research Scholars from all over India. I am equally happy that, eminent Resource Persons have also associated with the entire proceeding of this academic activity.

I wish the seminar have a grand success.

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