



CONFERENCE ON
RURAL INDIA
 Blossoming in neglect?

Vikasanvesh Foundation (VAF), is a research center established by the Tata Trusts. It works on issues which are of importance to the disenfranchised and the poor.

VAF is organizing a conference titled "Rural India: Blossoming in Neglect?" which would serve as a platform to bring together researchers, policymakers, representatives of the civil society and media to discuss the important yet unattended issues facing the development sector.

Sessions will be organized on each of the conference themes and will include the presentation of the papers prepared by researchers, commentary by experts and insights of practitioners.

The session themes are indicated below:

Health Impacts of headloads carrying and other domestic chores of women	Gaps between opportunity sets available to rural youth vis a vis their urban counterparts	Changing basket of consumption in rural households	Incentives and motivations for women taking leadership roles in collectives
Social and economic impacts of water harvesting structures	Current status of and barriers to digital inclusion	Whither social enterprises?	Mainstreaming the Margins: Understanding the issues of the marginalised in eastern states of India

Academic contributions to the above mentioned research themes as well as participation in the conference are encouraged. Details about dates and venue will be communicated soon.

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