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The Participants will be faculty members and research scholars from any social science and relevant discipline in a UGC recognised university/ deemed university/ colleges/ institutes of national importance.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Distinguished scholars from around the world are poised to share their profound insights at the forthcoming International Conference. The Conference will be organized in physical mode; however, for registered participants unable to attend in person, they can attend virtually and present their papers via Google Meet in special virtual sessions. A Google Meet link will be provided, ensuring their virtual participation.

The Organizing Committee of the International Conference extends a cordial invitation to esteemed academicians, research scholars, students, and learned faculty members to contribute their original research papers for presentation. We invite you to submit an abstract, approximately 300 words in length, and a full paper, not exceeding 5000 words, in MS Word format. For English submissions, adhere to Times New Roman Font, Size 12; for Hindi submissions, utilize Kurti Dev 010 Font, Size 14 or Unicode font. Please forward your submissions to mgcubpolconference@gmail.com on or before the stipulated deadline. Subsequently, we kindly request all interested delegates to complete the registration process within the stipulated timeline.

We are delighted to share that participants who submit an abstract and present their paper will be awarded a Certificate of Participation and Presentation at the successful conclusion of the Conference. Additionally, outstanding full-length papers sent to the provided email address will be featured in an ISBN-edited book and incorporated into the Conference's proceedings report. Your valuable contributions will play a pivotal role in shaping the discourse and facilitating the dissemination of knowledge at this esteemed event.

REGISTRATION FEE & ACCOMMODATION

There will be registration fee for the participants, the faculty members have to pay 500 Rs. the scholars will have to pay 300 Rs. and the PG students have to pay 200 Rs. Only.

The Accommodation will be provided to all the participants by the organisers. Food (Lunch) and refreshments will also be provided to the participants during the Conference .

The registration fee should be paid through NEFT/ RTGS/ UPI in favour of 'Mahatma Gandhi Central University', as per details given below:

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Registration Link

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Key Dates : Abstract Submission : 10th March 2026
Full Paper Submission : 12th March 2026
Last Date of Registration : 14th March 2026

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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar (MGCUB) is a Central University established under an Act of Parliament in 2016. The University is situated at Motihari, Bihar, the district headquarters of East Champaran and the 'Karma Bhoomi' of Mahatma Gandhi. The University is committed for promoting and imparting higher education and research in various fields of study. MGCUB aims to provide quality education to students from diverse backgrounds and foster an environment of academic excellence and innovation. The University offers undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs in various disciplines such as science, humanities, social sciences, management, and education, among others. In total, the university runs 04 Undergraduate; 22 Postgraduate; and 20 Ph.D. Programmes of Study 20 teaching Department within 07 Schools.

MGCUB is dedicated to promote research and innovation and encourages its faculty and students to engage in cutting-edge research in their respective fields of study. The University also strives to create a conducive atmosphere for the holistic development of its students and provides them with various opportunities to participate in co-curricular and extracurricular activities. The University is also committed for promoting social and environmental sustainability and encourages its faculty and students to contribute to society through their research, innovation, and community engagement activities.

ABOUT THE DEPTT. OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Department of Political Science at Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar is a vibrant and dynamic academic unit that is committed for promoting critical thinking, scholarly excellence, and intellectual curiosity among its students and faculty members.

The department offers postgraduate, and doctoral programmes in Political Science, and Public Administration, with a focus on contemporary issues and challenges faced by India and the world. The department's faculty members are renowned scholars in their respective fields of study, with diverse research interests and expertise in areas such as democratic theory, political economy, governance and public policy, and international relations, among others.

The department provides a supportive and stimulating academic environment to its students and encourages them to develop their analytical, research, and leadership skills. The department has been organizing seminars, conferences, and workshops on various themes related to political science and international relations, providing a platform for students and faculty to engage in academic discourse and intellectual exchange.

The department is committed to foster a culture of research and innovation among its faculty and students, with a particular focus on promoting interdisciplinary research and collaborations. The department's faculty members and scholars have published their research in various national and international journals, books, and edited volumes, and have received numerous awards and recognition for their scholarly contributions.

CONCEPT NOTE

The word 'national security' refers to the protection of a country and its population against a variety of threats and coercion. The enormous complexity of a strategy to deal with national security challenges in a rapidly changing national and international scenario might make formalising a National Security Strategy arduous. However, a well-defined National Security Strategy also provides a clear picture of the path a country should pursue to safeguard its national interests. Today India stands at an important juncture in its national security trajectory. As the world's fourth largest economy and an emerging global power, it holds significant strategic influence, while facing a broad range of traditional and emerging vulnerabilities. Its geo-strategic location positions it as a key factor in regional and global affairs but also exposes it to a complex neighbourhood fraught with bilateral and multilateral tensions. Beyond conventional threats, the rise of non-traditional domains such as cyberspace has introduced new challenges that transcend physical borders. Internally, socio-political unrest, extremism, and insurgencies continue to demand sustained attention and decisive action. India's security environment and governance systems are undergoing rapid transformation driven by digitalization, data proliferation, and advances in artificial intelligence. AI tools are reshaping intelligence collection, cyber defence, border monitoring, disaster response, and public service delivery while raising questions about accountability, civil liberties, and institutional capacity. This conference examines how AI can strengthen national security and governance while preserving democratic values and meaningful human oversight.

The focus is practical policy guidance, multidisciplinary research exchange, and actionable recommendations for institutions charged with protecting India's national interest. Despite its geographic, historical, linguistic, and cultural commonalities, South Asia has long been seen as a volatile area plagued by interstate and intrastate conflicts. Given its rise as a regional power, India continues to confront a variety of conventional and non-traditional threats and challenges to its national security. The extent of national security issues, both conventional and non-conventional, is wide. Therefore, the endeavour would be to focus on those traditional and non-traditional threats and challenges which have a direct impact on our Armed Forces. In order to find solutions to the immediate and long-term views of national security concerns, it is necessary to explore some fundamental concepts relating to national security issues, the changing nature of war, and the global strategic environment. Given India's status as a rising power, the focus would be at three levels: global and regional, national, and armed forces. India has been operating in a difficult strategic environment, with proximate adversaries owning enormous capacities and military strength that are quickly modernizing.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

- To Analyze contemporary and emerging national security challenges where AI has material impact.
- To Evaluate governance implications of deploying AI across security, law enforcement, and public administration.
- To identify ethical, legal, and human-rights constraints and propose accountability mechanisms.
- To Strengthen collaboration between policymakers, technologists, social scientists, and civil society.
- To Produce policy briefs and practitioner-friendly guidance for safe, effective AI adoption.

SUB-THEME FOR THE CONFERENCE

- AI and Strategic Security
- Cyber security and Data Sovereignty
- Surveillance, Policing, and Civil Liberties
- AI in Governance and Public Service Delivery
- Institutional Readiness and Human Oversight
- Illegal Migration in India
- India and its Domestic Challenges/ Regional Problems.
- India's concern over environment degradation.
- India's growing population
- Food and Health Concerns in India.
- India's national security
- India's role in an emerging world.
- India's role in security arrangement in Indian Ocean.
- India's role in QUAD.
- India and energy security
- India and cyber security
- Disaster Management Challenges in India
- India as Soft Power in globalised world.
- India's National Security Concerns for Territorial disputes and Non-traditional security threats.
- India's Role in Regional Stability, Strategic partnerships, multilateralism and regional organizations.
- Data Security and Challenges.
- Good Governance in the digital age.

EXPECTED OUTCOME

The conference expects to provide a platform for academicians, legal practitioners, policymakers, researchers, and students:

- **Strengthened cyber security:**
The conference would likely produce strategies for using AI for advanced threat detection and defense against attacks, while also addressing the risk of adversaries weaponizing AI.
- **Strategic partnerships:**
Participants would identify opportunities to collaborate with international partners and private companies to accelerate the development and deployment of AI in the defense sector.
- **Responsible AI policy framework:**
Outcomes would include proposals for a comprehensive legal and ethical framework for AI use, covering data privacy, algorithmic transparency, and accountability.
- **Human oversight in decision-making:**
Emphasizing a "human-in-the-loop" model, recommendations would stress that humans must maintain ultimate responsibility for critical decisions, with AI acting as an aid.
- **Data privacy and security:**
Recommendations would focus on robust data protection standards and preventing the misuse of sensitive information collected by AI systems.
- **Develop ethical guidelines:**
Experts would propose a set of clear ethical standards for AI development, implementation, and application in national security and governance.