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Department of Commerce & International Business,

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organises National Conference on

CALL FOR PAPERS

(POSTER & PAPER PRESENTATIONS)

Next-Generation GST Reforms and Their Socio-Economic Implications in India

SUB-THEMES

GST Reforms and Social and Cultural Impact

- Transformation of tax compliance culture and public trust in governance.
- Equity, fairness, and inclusivity perceptions in the GST framework.
- Implications for artisans, informal workers, and traditional industries.
- Gender perspectives in taxationa and entrepreneurship under GST.
- Civic participation and citizen engagement in tax governance

GST Reforms and Revenue and Fiscal Policy

- Fiscal coordination between the Centre and States under the revised GST Council framework.
- Trends in tax buoyancy, elasticity, and sustainability of revenues.
- Effects of tax rationalisation on fiscal deficit management.
- Comparative fiscal policy analysis with global GST regimes.
- Long-term implications for cooperative fiscal federalism and resource allocation.

GST Reforms and Impact on MSMEs, Start-ups, and Entrepreneurship

- Simplified tax structure and ease of doing business for MSMEs.
- Digitalisation, automation, and competitiveness in small enterprises.
- Fiscal incentives and innovation within the start-up ecosystem.
- Regional disparities in entrepreneurial outcomes post-GST reforms.
- Role of GST officers in awareness creation and compliance support.

Structural Shifts in Consumption Patterns Post-GST Implementation

- Changing household expenditure and consumer behaviour after GST 2.0.
- GST's impact on informal consumption and sectoral demand.
- Role of digital compliance in transforming retail and service sectors.
- Influence of GST on price rationalisation and market transparency.

IMPORTANT DATES

10 JULY, 2026
Full Paper Submission Deadline

15 JULY, 2026
Acceptance Notification

22- 24 JULY, 2026
Conference Dates

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Programme Schedule

22.07.2026 – INAUGURAL DAY

Forenoon Session

10:00 AM Inaugural Session

11:45 AM Technical Session I: Structural Shifts in Consumption Patterns Post-GST

Afternoon Session

02:00 PM Technical Session II : GST Reforms and MSMEs, Start-ups, and Entrepreneurship

03:45 PM Technical Session III: Panel Discussion by GST Officers:
'Next-Generation GST Reforms: Vision, Implementation, and Challenges'

02:00 PM Parallel Paper Presentations

23.07.2026 – ACADEMIC DELIBERATION DAY

Forenoon Session

10:00 AM Technical Session IV: Social and Cultural Impact of GST Reforms

11:45 AM Technical Session V- Industry and Practitioner Interaction:
'GST and the Business Ecosystem in India'

Afternoon Session

02:00 PM Technical Session VI:
Digitalisation, Compliance, and Ease of Doing Business under GST 2.0

03:45 PM Technical Session VII: Revenue and Fiscal Policy under the Reformed GST Framework

02:00 PM Parallel Paper Presentations

24.07.2026 – SYNTHESIS & POLICY DIRECTIONS

Forenoon Session

10:00 AM Technical Session VIII: GST, Equity, and Inclusive Development

11:45 AM Technical Session IX: Global Experiences in GST and Lessons for India

Afternoon Session

02:00 PM Technical Session X – Roundtable:
'Future Directions for GST Research and Policymaking'

02:00 PM Parallel Paper Presentations

04:00 PM Valedictory Session

About the University

The Central University of Kerala, established by an Act of Parliament (Act 25 of 2009), was founded with the vision of providing high-quality education, fostering social commitment, promoting social justice, and encouraging creativity and innovation. Operating with a unitary structure, the University is guided by these ideals and aims to create an inclusive and dynamic academic environment. Located in the culturally diverse and linguistically rich North Malabar region of Kerala, the University's sprawling 310-acre campus in Periya Village, nestled amidst the scenic Tejaswini Hills in the northernmost district of Kasargod, serves as a hub for academic excellence.

The University's diverse student and faculty population, drawn from across India through national-level entrance exams, enriches its academic ecosystem. It currently has 27 teaching departments, offering a wide array of academic programs. In a relatively short span since its inception, the Central University of Kerala has made significant progress in various areas. The University has enhanced its physical infrastructure, expanded student admissions, and increased the number of academic programs offered. Additionally, the University has seen an increase in the number of PhDs, fostered stronger alumni engagement, and supported student progression through enhanced academic and career development opportunities. These efforts underscore the University's ongoing dedication to academic excellence, research, and community engagement.

About the Department

Established in July 2019, the department of Commerce and International Business offers a four year Bachelor's progamme B. Com. (Hons.) Financial Analytics, a two-year Master's programme (M.Com) and a Doctoral Program (PhD) in Commerce. Admission to the UG and the PG programmes are facilitated through the Central Universities Common Entrance Test (CUCET), which is conducted at all-India level by NTA. Our department prides itself on delivering education of the highest quality and meeting rigorous international standards. We are committed to continuous innovation in our teaching methods, combining traditional lecture-based instruction with dynamic, student-centered learning strategies. In addition to our commitment to educational excellence, we focus on fostering an environment that nurtures socially responsible leaders. Our mission extends beyond academic achievement to include the development of individuals who are well-equipped to excel in business, services, and education. We aim to inspire and prepare our students to launch their own entrepreneurial ventures with the skills and vision necessary to make an impact at regional, national, and global levels. Through our holistic approach to education and development, we strive to shape future leaders who can drive positive change in their respective fields.

Registration

There is no Registration Fee. Free accomodation for paper presenters

Paper Submission Guidelines

- Use Times New Roman 12-point font, double spaced, File should be in word format.
- **Abstract** – limited to 250 words (Corresponding author's name, affiliation and contact number should be clearly mentioned)
- References must strictly follow the APA 7th Edition referencing style.
- Submissions must be original, unpublished, and free from plagiarism and AI generated content.
- Full paper - should not exceed 4000 words

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