

Dear friends,

We have the pleasure of inviting you for the meeting, **“Global emergency to tackle climate change; other transitional demands/programmes.”**

Meeting dates: The meeting will be held over the weekend 12-13th January 2019, between 10 am to 6 pm on the 12th and 9 am to 5 pm on the second day.

Meeting venue and staying arrangements: The meeting will be held at D-101 [Highrise Apartments](#) (click on Highrise Apartments to see venue on Google maps), Lower Tank Bund Road, Hyderabad 500 080 (next to Courtyard Marriott Hotel). The entrance to Highrise Apartments is from behind BN Wines, on Gandhinagar Road close to the junction between Lower Tank Bund and Gandhinagar Roads.

The staying arrangements for out-station participants is at the same place. Out-station participants may reach on the 11th and depart on the 14th as per their convenience.

To reach the venue from Secunderabad station or Lakadikapul (if you come by a private bus), you may catch bus # 5 and get off DBR Mills and walk to Lower Tank Bund Road or take an auto (~Rs 30-40) or a cab. From either place, the venue is about 3-3.5 km. From Imliban bus stand, walk to Koti and take bus # 8 to DBR Mills (7 km). From Hyderabad, Kacheguda or Begampet stations, take an auto or a cab (~5-6 km from each of these stations).

Hyderabad temperatures are 26-27°C (Max)/ 12-15°C (Min). Please bring along a light sweater for evenings/ mornings and a blanket for the night. You may also carry a pen drive to copy any e-material from us.

Agenda and deliverables: The agenda for the meet is as below. Background notes for each agenda topic are attached.

1. A strategy and an action programme to have a global climate emergency declared by various countries and the UN
2. Agreement on transitional demands/programmes to move towards sustainability, equity and peace.
3. Discussion on model urban and rural manifestos

We expect the first and last topic on the agenda to take approximately half day each to discuss, whereas the second topic may take a full day. To provide maximum time for

discussion, no formal presentations will be made, and each topic will be introduced by an elected chair for that session. The meeting will be in English with provision for translations, if necessary.

Your financial contribution: This meeting, as are all our meetings, is unfunded. There is no charge for the venue and staying place. Travel, food and material handout costs will have to be borne by you. We expect participants who can pay to contribute to Rs 500 per person. This amount will cover morning and afternoon teas and lunches for both days, handout materials, and will also contribute to funding those participants who are unable to pay and require a subsidy. There are cheap South and North Indian breakfast/ dinner places close to the venue.

Invitee list: This email is being sent to only expected participants and this invitation is only for them. If you wish to recommend someone who you believe may be seriously interested in this meeting, please write immediately to either of the undersigned. Though many on this final list have confirmed their participation, this invitation has been sent to few others in the hope that we can persuade them to attend.

This meeting is being convened by the undersigned in their individual capacity. If you have further queries about the meeting, you may contact either of the undersigned. Further details regarding the meeting venue, etc, will be sent to you after you later.

Wishing you peace and good health in 2019.

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