Call for Papers

Deshkal Society in partnership with Nalanda University, Rajgir will host the 6th Edition of Bodh Gaya Global Dialogues on **16-17 March 2024 at Nalanda University Campus in Rajgir** focusing on Landscape of Enlightenment: Bodhgaya, Rajgir, and Nalanda. We invite papers/articles from early career researchers, scholars (doctoral students, postdoctoral fellows).

South Bihar has witnessed continuous human settlements beginning from prehistoric times. During the historical periods, this area was ruled by the mighty Magadh dynasty, who embraced and contributed to the prosperity of Buddhism, Jainism, and Brahmanism. It was here that Buddha, Mahavir, and their followers, including monks and saints, sermons, and teachings transversed this land into an enlightened landscape. The sacred landscapes serve as crucial gateways to exploring religious or monastic complexes and habitational sites linked to the development of socio-cultural, religious, and philosophical practices in contemporary times.

The broad themes under the title of Landscape of Enlightenment: Bodhgaya, Rajgir, and Nalanda covers the following topics:

- Archaeology, History, Art and Architecture of South Bihar/ Magadh region
- Understanding Multiple Buddhism(s): Philosophy and Teachings
- Envisioning Magadh Region: Locality, Heritage Making and Sustainability
- Exploring the Footsteps of Buddha in Magadh Region
- Buddhist Circuit: Destination of Branding and Marketing

Important Dates:

Intent to submit a 200-word abstract and one-page CV: March 5, 2024

Full version: March 15, 2024

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Note: The selected papers will be published by a reputed publisher in association with Nalanda University and Deshkal Society