**Telugu Desam Party's Journey From Victory to Vanquish:** 

The Case of Telangana Region & State

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Telugu Desam Party (TDP) started its maiden political venture in united Andhra Pradesh under

the slogan of linguistic identity's pride. Surprisingly, in a record time after its establishment, TDP

captured impressive victory and formed a government in 1983. Though TDP based its political

slogan and agenda on mastering Telugu people's pride, in reality, it had succinct hidden

challenges to face and address. One such prominent challenge was in the Telangana region, now

called Telangana State (TS). The present paper highlights, based on what factors, the TDP was

politically successful. Furthermore, based on what kind of other factors the TDP faced almost

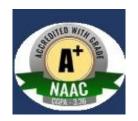
vanquished position in the subsequent times in TS. Methodologically, the paper engages in

qualitative and secondary electoral data synthesis. Moreover, the paper constructs about 35 years

of TDP's political lineage from 'consolidation to fragmentation' in Telangana.

Key Words: Andhra Pradesh, Indian Politics, Regional Politics, Telangana, Telugu Desam

Party.



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# Two-Day National Seminar on "Party Politics in Telangana State: Issues and Challenges"

### **Concept Note**

Party politics plays a key role in shaping the political landscape of any region. Political parties are the bedrock of any democratic system, playing a crucial role in shaping the governance and policies of a region. In the case of Telangana, a relatively young state in India, political parties have played a predominant role in its formation and subsequent development. The state of Telangana has witnessed a remarkable transformation in its political landscape since its formation in 2014. However, political changes alone are not sufficient to meet the aspirations and needs of its diverse population. In the context of Telangana, a state that has witnessed significant political changes in recent years, it is imperative to examine the issues and challenges faced by political parties and people of the state. Over the past decade, Telangana has undergone a remarkable journey of development and transformation. Since its formation as a separate state, it has made significant strides in various sectors, contributing to the well-being and prosperity of its citizens. The politics of Telangana is deeply influenced by its diverse demographic landscape, with caste and religion playing essential roles in shaping the political discourse. Understanding the intricate interplay between caste and religion in party politics is essential for comprehending the state's political dynamics. It is an ideal and right time to understand the political system and its dynamics in Telangana and to propose reforms and academic output to reshape it.

#### **Objectives of the Seminar**

This seminar aims to provide a platform for scholars, researchers, and experts to engage in a comprehensive discussion on the dynamics of party politics in Telangana. This seminar is to explore deeper into the journey of Telangana from "Political Telangana" to "Social Telangana". The emphasis will be focusing on how political actions can translate into social progress and the fulfilment of people's aspirations. It analyzes the evolution and development of political parties in Telangana; to assess the major issues and challenges faced by political parties in the state; to examine the impact of regional and national political factors on

Telangana's party politics; to explore the role of political parties in addressing key socioeconomic and political issues in the state.

#### **Sub-Themes:**

The seminar will cover a range of sub-themes to provide a holistic understanding of party politics in Telangana State. These sub-themes include:

- Party System in Telangana
- > Party Politics in Telangana State
- ➤ Electoral Politics and Processes
- > Regionalism vs. Nationalism
- ➤ Social and Economic/Political-Economy Issues
- Political Telangana to Social Telangana
- > Youth, Social Media and Politics
- ➤ Women in State Politics
- ➤ Role of the Caste, Religion and Gender in Party Politics in Telangana

The seminar will mark a combination of keynote addresses, paper presentations, panel discussions, and interactive sessions. Researchers, scholars, and experts from diverse backgrounds will be invited to present their findings and insights. The target audience mainly are Academics and researchers in Political Science & Public Administration, Public Policy and Governance. Faculty members and research scholars interested in Telangana Politics. The politicians, policy-makers, and political activists are encouraged to be part of the seminar. The civil society organizations and Non-Governmental Organizations, Media professionals covering political developments are welcome.

### **Expected Outcomes**

A comprehensive understanding of the issues and challenges faced by political parties in Telangana. Insights into the evolving dynamics of party politics in the region. Policy recommendations to address the identified challenges and the problems faced by people of Telangana State. Networking opportunities for academics, researchers, and practitioners in the field of politics. Selected papers will be published in an Edited Volume.

#### **Proposed Dates and Venue**

Dates: 26<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> October 2023,

Venue: Maulana Azad National Urdu University

This seminar on "Party Politics in Telangana State: Issues and Challenges" will serve as a valuable platform for the exchange of ideas and perspectives on the political landscape of Telangana. We look forward to your participation and contributions to enrich the discourse on this crucial subject.

### **Important Dates**

Last date to receive an abstract (250-300 words):	15.10.2023
Acceptance and intimation:	18.10.2023
To receive full-length paper (preferably):	24.10.2023
National Seminar Dates:	26 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023

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