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PANEL TITLE: LOOKING AT THE TRIBAL WORLD THROUGH INDIGENOUS LENS

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ABSTRACT

Systematic investigation of indigenous people and culture has always remained the core interest of anthropological research. The cultural life of each indigenous community revolves around nature, which shapes their beliefs and practices. Hence, this panel aims to explore and understand various aspects of the material and non-material culture Gond tribe of Odisha from multiple perspectives of the Adivasi students of the Anthropology Department, KISS-DU.

The proposed panel will be divided into the following three broad areas under which students who recently completed their fieldwork and dissertation will present their research findings under the following major aspects:

- Cultural Identity and Cultural Change in the Gond Tribe
- Health, Healing, and Medicinal Practices in the Gond Tribe
- Art, Craft, and Material Culture of the Gond Tribe

This panel will provide an interdisciplinary platform for the young students to share their findings, insights, and perspectives on the Gond tribe based on their extensive ethnographic research on the Gond tribe of Kalahandi district, Odisha.

Keywords: Ethnography, material culture, culture identify, health, healing

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