

All India Sociological Conference

on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the Department of Sociology University of Kerala

Theme: Environment, Culture and Development: Discourses and Intersections

Kariavattom Campus, University of Kerala Thiruvananthapuram

27, 28 & 29 December 2019

t is with great pleasure that we invite you to the 45th All India Sociological Conference (AISC) of the Indian Sociological Society, marking the culmination of the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the Department of Sociology, University of Kerala. The Conference will be held at the Kariavattom Campus of the University, on the theme "Environment, Culture and Development – Discourses and Intersections" on 27, 28 & 29 December 2019.

Environment, Culture and Development: Discourses and Intersections

The quest for a meaningful understanding and review of environment, culture and development in terms of their discourses and intersections, invites one to consider the direction which social sciences in general and sociology in particular should take. There is a consensus that the present-day world is becoming increasingly non-liveable and non-sustainable. From the vantage point of the concern for environment, various forces of culture and development are at work, damaging the environment and threatening the very existence of humankind at large. This process has taken off at an unprecedented pace since the neoliberal turn in this country.

In the context of India, the collective mobilization around environmental alteration, degradation and destruction signal the crises in the material bases of life, based at the intersections of caste, class and gender. The unprecedented advances in science and technology, together with ethnocentric ideologies and values that weaken the democratic and secular fabric of the nation, pose serious challenges to the earlier discourses in social sciences, particularly in sociology on the paradigms and intersections of environment culture and development. Marginalised groups and local communities are being kept away from access to and control of common resources. Given this context, the 45thAISC proposes to revisit the empirical, conceptual and axiological discourses on environment, culture and development vis-à-vis their intersections.

The 45th AISC will discuss the conference theme in the following three plenary sessions:



Research papers are invited in English and Hindi to be presented through 28 Research Committees (RCs) of the Indian Sociological Society. The Papers are to be prepared in consonance with the main theme of the conference.

Paper Presentations & Membership of ISS

ISS and RC Membership is mandatory for paper presentations. The Membership can be obtained through the ISS web portal. Please visit http://app.insoso.org/Pages/register.aspx. Members of the Indian Sociological Society are eligible for RC membership.







- An ISS Member can avail membership in two RCs and so the maximum number of papers one can present in the conference is limited to two.
- Only those who have remitted/updated their RC Membership fee are eligible for paper presentations in the RC. For details, please visit: http://insoso.org/images/FAQ30.pdf
- Payment towards ISS membership and RC Membership is to be made in the ISS account only.
- ISS account details:
 - Name of the Account : Indian Sociological Society

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- Name of the Bank : Punjab National Bank
 - Branch : Vasant Kunj, New Delhi 110070
 - IFSC : PUNBO411400

Abstract Submission

- Abstract will be selected on the basis of the following criteria
 - □ Connection of the topic to the theme of the Conference
 - □ Sociological relevance of the topic
 - □ Conceptual clarity and methodological application
- Abstract is to be sent in the following format
 - □ Title, brief introduction, objectives, significance/relevance
 - □ Methodology
 - □ Major findings/thesis/argument
 - □ Between 200-250 words,
 - □ For English -Times New Roman, 12 pt., PDF format
 - □ For Hindi -Kurti Dev, 10 pt.

□ The specifications for the font and format should be strictly adhered to, lest it will not be considered.

- Abstract should be sent directly to the respective RC Conveners along with the conference Registration Number, ISS Membership Number and RC Membership Number/payment details. These details are mandatory and please ensure that you do mention them.
- The last date of submission of the Abstracts is 30 October 2019. Abstracts should be submitted within the deadline and abstracts received beyond this date cannot be published in the 'Book of Abstracts'.
- The respective RC Conveners should be contacted for any enquiry regarding abstract submission and acceptance.

Poster Presentation

- Poster presentations are invited from M.Phil and Ph.D students who are participating in the Conference on any area related to the Conference theme. Last date of submission : 30 October 2019.
- Abstracts for the poster should be submitted to the respective RC Conveners in the same format as that of the paper presentation. It requires a summary of the theoretical/conceptual, methodological and substantive aspects of the poster theme.
- Certificates will be issued to Poster presenters. Registration rules apply.
- The Posters should be sent to: Dr. Antony Palackal, Organizing Secretary, 45 AISC, Dept of Sociology, Kariavattom Campus, Kariavattam PO, Thiruvananthapuram 695 581



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Conference Registration



- To register for the conference, one has to be a member of the Indian Sociological Society (ISS). For ISS membership please visit: http://app.insoso.org/Pages/register.aspx.
- Registration fee should be paid directly to the Bank account of 45th All India Sociological Confernce, thorough internet banking/RTGS/NET/Cheque/Cash.
 - Registration fee will cover Conference kit and food from dinner on December 26th to dinner on 29th December, 2019
- Accommodation will be provided to only those delegates who come under the category "Registration with Accommodation" from 26th December night to 29th December night. Those who require stay after 29th night will be required to arrange it personally. Accommodation will be moderate and on shared/dormitory basis.
- NO accommodation will be provided for spot registration.
- After remitting the registration fee, fill the online 'Application Conference Form' on the ISS Website portal by logging into your ISS account, http://app.insoso.org/Pages/LogIn.aspx
- For any queries regarding registration, please contact:
 ISS Office: 011026132510, Mobile: 7217679262; Email: societyinsoso@gmail.com

Payment details

Period	Delegates		Students		Accom- panying Person	Foreign Delegates	
	With Accommo- dation	Without Accommo- dation	With Accommo- dation	Without Accommo- dation	INR	US \$	Accom- panying Person
June to August 31	3500	2500	2500	1500	5000	200	200
Sept. 1 to Oct. 31	4000	3000	3000	2000	6000	225	225
Nov. 1 to Nov. 30	5000	4000	4000	3000	7000	250	250
Spot Registration Dec. 26 to 29	Will be closed	5000	Will be closed	4000	8000	300	300

Registration Fee: Bank Account details

IFSC

- Name of the Account : 45th All India Sociological Conference
 - Bank & Branch
- : State Bank of India, Kariavattom
- Savings Bank AC/No.
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- : SBIN0070043





God's Own Country

is an oft-repeated synonym for Kerala, one of the twentynine states of India, located at the southernmost tip of the Indian sub-continent. It is indeed a land greatly blessed and gifted with a history of its own and distinctive geographical features. It has a highly educated social milieu, great anthropological diversity, cultural and literary richness, economic prosperity, political vibrancy and a spiritual perspective. The luscious greenery of Kerala's landscapes is her most distinctive feature and with her highest quality socio-political indices, she has carved her own niche among the other states of the country. A travel through this



region, which is globally renowned among the super brands in the International Travel itinerary, will definitely enrich, educate, and enlighten. The scenic splendour of Kerala beckons a tourist to come to Kerala, to enjoy and relax in poetic abandon in close proximity to Nature. "O for a life of Sensations!" Kerala is sure to satisfy this dream of the English romantic poet, John Keats.

Thiruvananthapuram: commonly known by its former name

Trivandrum, is the capital of Kerala. The City takes its name from the Malayalam word *thiru-anantha-puram*, meaning "The City of Lord Ananta" referring to the deity of the Sree Padmanabhaswamy temple. The temple is internationally renowned and the richest of the world. Located in the west coast of India near the extreme south of the mainland,

Thiruvananthapuram is a notable academic and research hub with three universities of national repute and home to national and space research institutes, media institutions and IT and industrial parks. Being India's largest city

in the deep south, it is strategically prominent and hosts the headquarters of Southern Air Command of the Indian Air Force, the Thumba Equatorial Rocket Launching Station and the upcoming Vizhinjam International Seaport. Referred to by Mahatma Gandhi

as the "Evergreen city of India", the city is characterized by its undulating terrain of low coastal hills. The region is a major tourist center with the enticing coastal beaches, the backwaters and the Western Ghats tracts. Kanyakumari, the Southernmost tip of India, the famous pilgrim and tourist destination, lies about sixty kilometers from here (about two and a half hours drive)











University of Kerala Established in 1937 as the University of Tranvancore during the period of Sri



Chithira Thirunal Balarama Varma of the erstwhile Travancore dynasty, it is one of the oldest Universities in India and the pioneering University in the State. The university later branched into several Universities in Kerala. The administrative complex of the University is located in the heart of the city at Palayam. Kariavattom campus, about 15 kilometers from the city, houses various teaching departments of the University. The campus laden with enchanting greenery, covers about 450 acres of land. Of the sixteen faculties and forty-one departments of teaching and research of the University, thirty-two are at the picturesquely located Kariavattom campus. In addition, the University has study centers, the Institute of Distance Education,150 affiliated colleges, including a National College of Physical Education, Law, Engineering, MBA/MCA Colleges,Fine Arts and BEd./MEd.

Colleges. The total number of students in these institutions crosses one lakh. It also runs the UGC - Human Resource Development Centre, which is repeatedly rated as the best at the national level.

The Department of Sociology Established in 1969, is one of the major teaching and research departments of the University of Kerala. The distinctive feature of the Department is that it is the only department in Sociology among the four Arts and Science Universities in the State. The Department has been at the forefront of teaching-learning and research in Sociology and has remained a guiding force for Sociology departments of the affiliated colleges in the State. Presently, the department conducts two full-fledged Masters -Sociology and Social Work - and MPhil, PhD and PDF programmes. One international and three national

research projects are currently being carried out by the department and it homes the Centre for Diaspora Studies of the University. The Department celebrates its Golden Jubilee in 2019 and the University of Kerala ventured to host the 45th AISC in order to mark the grand finale of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Department.

Kariavattom Campus The 45th All India Sociological Conference will be held in the Kariavattom Campus of the University, situated by the side of the National highway 66 about 15 kilometers from the city. The IT Park of Thiruvananthapuram, TechnoPark, is located near the campus and the famous Kovalam beach is about an hour's drive from here.

Transportation Connectivity

The nearest airport, Trivandrum International Airport that well connects the city internationally and nationally is about 12 kilometers on the Kovalam bypass road. There are two major Railway Stations in Thiruvananthapruam – Central Railway Station (TVC) at Thampanur at the heart of the city in close proximity of the Central Bus Terminal, is about 15 kilometers from the Campus via National Highway 66 and Kochuveli Railway station (KCVL) at the suburb, is about 10 kilometers from the campus by Kovalam bypass road. It takes about half an hour to one hour maximum to reach the Campus from any of these transportation-heads. For the route map, go to: https://maps.google.com/?cid=17887072818135642648

Green Protocol: We propose to conduct the Conference strictly following Green Protocol. Efforts are in full swing to implement the Green Protocol completely in the campus. The Department, in its Golden Jubilee year, has been declared as a Green Protocol department with Certification from the Corporation of Thiruvananthapuram. Hence, the delegates are requested to avoid plastics and other non-degradable materials in the Campus.







Important points to be noted

- 1. ISS and RC Membership is mandatory for paper presentations. Payment towards ISS membership and RC Membership should be made to the ISS account only.
- Registration fee for the Conference, including spot registration, should be paid directly to the 2. conference account.
- Abstracts should be submitted in the prescribed format before the deadline 30 October 2019. 3.
- Hindi abstracts should be sent in Kurti Dev 10 pt., Otherwise it cannot be included in the book of 4. Abstracts.
- 5. Abstracts for paper/poster presentations should be sent directly to the respective RC Conveners with the details such as Conference Registration Number, ISS Membership Number and RC Membership Number/payment details.
- Accommodation will be provided only for those who have registered in the category "Registration 6. with Accommodation" from 26th December night to 29th December night. Accommodation cannot be provided for 'spot registration'.
- After the submission of the online Registration Form in the ISS Website Portal, if you do not get a 7. confirmation in three days, you may please contact the Organizing Secretariat in the email: 45th aisckerala@gmail.com

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