

CANDIDACY STATEMENT FOR IASP ELECTION FOR 2018-19

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I am **Dr. A.K. RAVISANKAR**, Working as Senior Faculty in Department of Population Studies, Annamalai University, Tamil Nadu. I pursued my post-graduation in Population Studies and subsequently I have completed my research degrees M.Phil., and Ph.D at Annamalai University. I have also completed Ph.D (Social Work) from Nagarjuna University. In my academic career Teaching and the Research are the two major components. Besides, I have completed many projects sponsored by UGC, ICSSR, Ford Foundation, and Popcouncil. In addition, I have published more than 75 research articles in national and international journals. To my credit, I have guided 22 M.Phil and eight PhD scholars on various topics which are mostly of population and health issues. Above all I have been continuously interacting with demographers, NGOs and government officials at all levels to share and train personnel in various aspects of population and health issues. I attended various conferences and seminars held within and outside India (Malta, Pakistan, France, Malaysia, USA and Tanzania). In addition, I have been actively involved in many of the National and International professional bodies including IHEPA, IASSH, and closely associated with PAA, IUSSP, PAP and so on. I have been associated with IASP since 2000 as life member and served as board of trustees for one term. I am one among the regularly attending IASP Annual Conference and also we successfully organised our (IASP) conference twice at Annamalai University. I have been consistently working towards promoting the activities of IASP in India particularly at southern region. In case I elected as an EC member by casting your valuable votes, I assure that much of my energy will be devoted to promoting the IASP activities across the country. Further I declare that I am much interested to bring our IASP to international heights with support of senior, junior and with my contemporary demographers.