

## CANDIDACY STATEMENT FOR IASP ELECTION 2019

### DIWAKAR YADAV

My transition from a novice to a professional began after my Master of Population Studies from International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai. The learning during this Masters Degree programme opened the venue for more professional development and hence translated into Doctor of Philosophy in Population Studies (2012) from IIPS.



As mentioned above, my zests to acquire knowledge lead me into the working as a fulltime professional of Demography/Population Sciences. My professional endeavors have helped me in acquiring different set of experiences during my professional association with the International Organization such as FHI 360, IHAT-UPTSU and PSI. I have had the pleasure of public Institute namely King George Medical University, University of Lucknow, and have served National Institute of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi as an Assistant Professor. Presently, I am engaged with State Institute of Health and Family Welfare, Lucknow, as Assistant Professor (Statistics and Demography). I have published more than 15 research papers in peer reviewed journals and authored 07 books/policy documents/reports.

I have received Dr. C. Chandrashekhara Young Scientist Award (2011) from Indian Association for the study of Population (IASP) and Best Youth Research Paper Award (2011) from Indian Association for Social Sciences and Health. I am a recipient of many international travel awards and scholarships from various organizations such as the IHME, IUSSP, IUSTI, GMHC and UGC-NET Research Fellowship.

As a professional, I joined IASP in 2008 as a life member and have been an active member since.

As an aspiring candidate, I wish to see IASP flourishing and have a strong desire to contribute into this cause. My professional experience and networking skills have enabled me to develop a more sophisticated and nuanced plan of action/approach to facilitate IASP's integration in to academic and government circles, as the go to organization for the matters of Demography subject.

If elected, I plan to work for networking and collaboration with the international organization in the field of Demography, Public health, population policy, advocacy and socio economic development. I would like to work and expand the opportunities for early career demographers, population scientist and researchers by mobilizing resources for meetings, scholarships, training courses, etc and also encourage them to join IASP.