



Indian Association for the Study of Population (IASP)

46th Annual Conference of IASP

on the theme

People, Planet, Prosperity: Demographic Drivers of India's Inclusive Growth

at

Anthropological Survey of India (AnSI), Kolkata

during

November 27-29, 2025



Professor Sudesh Nangia Essay Competition Award – 2025



About the Competition

As part of its 46th Annual Conference to be held at Kolkata during November 27-29, 2025, IASP is organising the Professor Sudesh Nangia Essay Competition Award. This competition aims to engage young Indian nationals in critical reflections and creative writing on contemporary demographic and development issues related to the conference theme.

Eligibility:

- ✧ **Academic Qualification:** Open to undergraduate/postgraduate students or research scholars from any discipline.
- ✧ **Age Limit:** Participants must be below 30 years of age.
- ✧ **Nationality:** Open to Indian nationals only.
- ✧ **Proof of Age:** A valid proof of age must be submitted during registration.

Important Dates

- ✧ **Registration Opens:** 5th August 2025
- ✧ **Registration Closes:** 31st August 2025
- ✧ **Essay Competition:** 7th September 2025
- ✧ **Announcement of results:** 25th September 2025

Key Information:

- ✧ **Registration:** Interested and Eligible candidates must register through the official link provided below. A non-refundable fee of ₹200/- is applicable. Only registered participants will be allowed to compete.
- ✧ **Topic of the Essay:** The essay will align with the conference theme—People, Planet, Prosperity: Demographic Drivers of India's Inclusive Growth. The specific topic will be disclosed to registered participants one hour before the competition begins.

🦋 Submission Guidelines:

- Essays must be handwritten.
- Limit: Maximum six pages (i.e., three A4 sheets written on both sides).
- The competition will be conducted online via the Webex platform on 7th September 2025.
- The topic and submission link will be shared with participants on the same day.

🦋 Evaluation Criteria: Submissions will be judged based on:

- Clarity of expression
- Originality and creativity
- Depth of knowledge
- Critical thinking

The winners will be felicitated during the 46th Annual Conference, to be held at the Anthropological Survey of India campus in Kolkata. IASP will provide boarding and lodging for the winners as part of the conference. Travel expenses will also be reimbursed, limited to the fare of a 3rd AC train ticket on the shortest route.

🦋 Awards

First Prize: Rs. 10,000/-

Second Prize: Rs. 7,500/-

Third Prize: Rs. 5,000/-

🦋 How to Register

- Registration Fee: ₹200/-
- Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/hGtxQtZ4ibjcT3ms6> (Will be active from 5th August to 31st August 2025)
- Official Website: www.iasp.ac.in
- Email for Queries: iasp.india@gmail.com

🦋 How to pay the Registration fee

- Registration fee of Rs 200/- has to be paid in favour of IASP. The account details of IASP are provided below.

Name	Indian Association for the Study of Population
A/C No.	0267101516126
Bank	Canara Bank, IEG Kamala Nagar, Delhi-110007
IFSC	CNRB 0008461

- Alternatively, one can scan the QR Code and make payment using any UPI app

