

**CANDIDACY STATEMENT FOR IASP ELECTION 2024**  
**(For the Post of Executive Committee Member)**

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I am currently working as *Assistant Professor at the Institute of Economic Growth*, Delhi. I earned my PhD from **International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS)**, Mumbai. Before my PhD, I completed an MPhil (2014) and MPS (2013) from IIPS. My academic journey began at **Banaras Hindu University (BHU)**, where I earned a Master (2012) and a Bachelor degree (2009). I have around 12 years of academic and research experience.

**Contribution to IASP:** I serve as the **Managing Editor of Demography India**. In this role, I have led several significant enhancements to the journal with support of dedicated team. We have revamped the journal's format, introduced new sections such as the Commentary section and Contributions from Senior Demographers, and, most notably, ensured the timely publication of five issues during my tenure. In addition, I have continuously worked in various capacities to promote the activities of the IASP. I have been actively involved in organizing annual and regional conferences, as well as managing various aspects of these events.

**Vision for IASP:** I would like to work on the following issues; if I get an opportunity to serve;

- Increase the publication frequency of Demography India (*Three issues per year*)
- Strive to get the journal indexed in **Scopus** to enhance its readership
- Mobilize resources for the smooth running of IASP and Demography India.
- Enhance the activities of regional chapters of IASP for collaborative initiatives.
- Work tirelessly to organize conferences, symposiums, lectures, and webinars under the IASP umbrella.
- Expand the IASP network by collaborating with international organizations focused on demography, public health, and population studies.
- Mobilize resources for meetings, scholarships, training courses, and other opportunities for early career demographers, population scientists, and researchers.
- Provide professional guidance to young demographers for publication in Demography India and other journals.

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