

## **NEWS LETTER, AUGUST 2017**

### 1 EC MEETINGS THROUGH CONFERENCE CALL

The EC meetings took place through conference call on 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 and 29<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and discussed various issues relating to the association and activities such as conferences, Demography India etc.

The EC has approved applications of following life members-Dr. Anup Kumar, Dr. Hukum Chandra, Dr. Jai Kishun, Girimallika Borah, Prof. P. Arumugam, Dr. Madhusudana Battala, Dr. Sushanta Kumar Banerjee, and Dr Divya Tiwari

#### 2 HELPAGE INDIA JOURNAL

Helpage India has published three papers on ageing presented at the 37<sup>th</sup> annual conference at IEG, Delhi on their journal. The editorial was contributed by the IASP President. IASP congratulates the authors-Prof N Audinarayana, Ms Mamta and Prof P Arokiasamy, Dr Jothi and Selvi.

#### 3 IEA

Prof C.M Pandey, active life member of IASP has been elected as the President of International Epidemiological Association (IEA) and IASP congratulates him. IEA has provision for reduced membership fee for IASP members and members should make use of this.

## 4 REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Abstracts have been received for the IASP regional conference to be held at ISI, Kolkata during Sept 14-15, 2017. Communication regarding selection of abstracts would be sent in the next few days.

## 5 DEMOGRAPHY INDIA

Next issue of Demography India, Vol : 34 is getting ready for publication and it would be uploaded to the IASP website. The software for on line edition of Demography India is getting ready and the link would be provided on IASP Website.

## **6 ELECTIONS/ E- VOTING**

As per the decision of the last General Body meeting held at IEG, New Delhi, next election would be through e-voting and the Treasurer is getting the software prepared. As having e mail id is imperative for this, all the members are requested to send their correct and current e mail id to <a href="mailto:iasp.india@gmail.com">iasp.india@gmail.com</a>

# 7 APPEAL FOR MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO MEMBERS

In view of the expenses relating to development of software for Demography India and other things, all the life members are earnestly requested to make generous financial contribution towards corpus fund of IASP.

Dr. Somayajulu, Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair, Dr K. V. R. Subhramanyam, and Dr Suresh Sharma contributed Rs. 10,000/-each.

### 8 38TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF IASP

Theme: "POPULATION, HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT" Venue: Andhra

University, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh

Dates: December 20-22, 2017

#### Sub Themes:

- 1 Trends in Fertility and Family Planning
- 1.1 Fertility Trends
- 1.2 Family Planning use and unmet need
- 1.3 Reproductive Health including abortion
- 1.4 Marriage and family
- 1.5 Population Growth, and Structure
- 2 Ageing and Emerging Issues
- 2.1 Policies and programmes for Elderly
- 2.2 Health and wellbeing of Elderly
- 2.3 Social, Economic and Physical security of Elderly
- 3 Mortality, Health and Nutrition
- 3.1 Urban health and nutrition
- 3.2 Tribal Demography, Health and Nutrition
- 3.3 Child Health, Nutrition and welfare
- 3.4 Burden of Disease and Premature Mortality
- 3.5 Universal Health Coverage in India: Challenges Ahead
- 3.6 Health Management Information System: Content, Quality and Utilization
- 3.7 Health Policies and Programmes -NRHM, NUHM and NHM
- 3.8 Maternal mortality -Trends and Differentials
- 3.9 Infant and Child Mortality Trends and Patterns
- 3.10 Food Security, Malnutrition, Hunger and SDGs: Policies, Programmes and Progress
- 4 Population, Gender and Development
- 4.1 Demographic dividend: Evidence from Indian States
- 4.2 Population and sustainable development

- 4.3 Transition from adolescence to young adulthood: health, nutrition and development perspectives
- 4.4 Gender Issues including Violence
- 4.5 Education, Skill Development and Livelihood: Youth and Adolescents
- 5 Migration and Urbanisation
- 5.1 Migration Trends and Consequences for family and children
- 5.2 Urbanization trends, Slums and Challenges
- 5.3 Urban Development Programmes including Smart Cities
- 5.4 Urban Poverty and Vulnerability of women and children
- 6 Statistical Approaches, Models and Innovations
- 6.1 Population Projections at various levels
- 6.2 Recent analytical approaches
- 6.3 Mathematical models for study of population dynamics and Disease burden
- 6.4 Large Scale Sample Surveys: Challenges and Innovative Approaches
- 6.5 Big data analysis and challenges

Short abstract of 300 words and extended abstract of 2 pages need to be submitted online by visiting <a href="https://www.iasp.ac.in">www.iasp.ac.in</a>

#### Dates to Remember

- ✓ On line Abstract Submission : August 20, 2017
- ✓ Intimation of acceptance : September 05, 2017
- ✓ Request for travel support from IASP : September 15, 2017
- ✓ Communication about travel grant : September 30, 2017
- ✓ Registration form and fee : October 30, 2017
- ✓ Full paper submission : November 30, 2017

## 9 AWARDS

#### **Prof Chandrasekharan Award**

Single author papers on the conference theme /sub themes are invited scholars (below 30 vears of age) Chandrasekharanaward. Authors of the papers selected by Screening Committee would be invited for presentation during the Annual Conference. The eligible members are requested to send the abstract by Sept 10, 2017 (through email as word document along with age proof) and full paper by October 5, 2017 to the IASP Secretariat (iasp.india@gmail.com). The author of the selected paper would be intimated by October 10,2017. The first and the second best papers will be presented Dr. Chandrasekharan Award during the annual conference. The young scholars whose papers are selected will be reimbursed up to maximum AC-3 Tier train fare for their travel if requested in advance. Please note that the paper should not be of joint authorship

#### **Prof Pathak Award**

The annual award in memory of Prof K B Pathak would be presented in the annual conference of IASP to the author of the best paper in the field of Population and Health with significant contribution in terms of methodological innovation. The papers must have been single author papers published in any refereed journal on Population/Demography/Health in the past two years. The author must be below 40 years of age.

The papers along with age proof must be sent to the IASP Secretariat(Sigma Research and Consulting, C23, South Extension I, New Delhi  $-110\ 049$ ) before September 15, 2017.

## **Prof S N Singh Award**

This award in memory of Prof S N Singh would be presented to the authors of the best poster presented in the annual conference of IASP. Selection would be made by a committee.

#### **Prof Srinivasan Award**

Best technical and substantive papers published in Demography India would be selected by the committee and the award would be presented at the annual conference.

#### 10 GB MEETING

The General Body meeting of IASP will be held on Dec 20, 2017 at Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, during the 38<sup>th</sup> annual conference. All the members are requested to attend the same. The specific venue and time would be announced during the next conference of IASP.

### 11 WORLD POPULATION DAY CELEBRATIONS 2017

## At Department of Demography, University of Kerala in Collaboration with IASP

The dept. of Demography and PRC, University of Kerala observed the Word Population Day in collaboration with IASP at University of Kerala, Trivandrum on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2017. The Hon. Pro- Vice-Chancellor, University of Kerala inaugurated the function and Prof P. Mohanachandran Nair, Head of the Dept. and Director of the PRC, University of Kerala and GS, IASP gave the presidential address and he had mentioned there is no one-step solution to empowering women,



but if one measure to be singled out as particularly effective in enabling women to realise their rights, access to family planning would be top contender.

In developed countries where the empowerment of women has progressed more

rapidly than other parts of the world, one of the most significant elements of their empowerment was the arrival of the contraceptive pill. The contraceptive pill and other forms of contraception have given freedom to choose if and when they want to become a mother, that is, then freedom to plan. There are still 222 million women in developing countries who would like to use contraceptives but do not have access to them, until they have that access, no other measures to empower them will be completely successful. Hence the integration of family planning into all initiatives to empower women is essential. Adv. V. K. Prasanth, Hon. Mayor of the Trivandrum Corporation delivered the Key note address. Dr. Anil Chandran, Asst. Prof: welcome the gathering Dr. P. S. Nair, former Prof: & Head Dept. of Demography and Smt. Geetha Gopal R, Councilor, Trivandrum Corporation gave the felicitation address. After the inauguration Dr. Vipin K. Gopal , Asst. Director and State Nodal officer for NCD delivered a special lecture on Health & Development. Merit awards were also distributed on the occasion.

# At PRC, Dept. of Statistics, University of Patna in Collaboration with IASP

World Population Day (WPD) event at Population Research Centre (PRC), Department of Statistics, Patna University in collaboration with Indian Association for the Study of Population (IASP)

The World Population Day (WPD) was observed at Population Research Centre, Dept. of Statistics, Patna University in collaboration with IASP, on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2017.

Prof. R. N. Mishra, Hony. Director, PRC, Patna offered a warm welcome to the esteemed dignitaries in the Centre. Dr. Dilip Kumar, Joint Director of the Centre presented about the research activities of the Centre since its inception including publication of more than 400 research papers/mimeographs/reports/ along with the research findings of his Family Planning study in Bihar.

Dr. J. K. Basu, Executive Member, IASP discussed about the Demographic transition in Bihar and stressed the need for autonomy of institutes like PRC, Patna to perform more the research activities independently.

Dr. U V Somayajulu, President, IASP, explained about the IASP, its genesis and activities. He also made a detailed presentation on

Population and Development in Bihar by comparing the findings of NFHS-3 (2005-06) and NFHS-4 (2015-16) data of Bihar. He also raised the issues that need attention to address the population related issues. He also mentioned that IASP is committed to ensure strengthening of the PRCs.

Prof. (Dr.) Dolly Sinha, Pro Vice Chancellor, Chief Guest talked about importance of study of Population and increasing awareness among the youth in particular. Dr. Dilip Kumar, Joint Director of the Centre proposed vote of thanks.







## At Andhra University, Visakhapatnam in Collaboration with IASP

World Population Day is observed by the Population Research Centre in collaboration with the Indian Association for the Study of Population (IASP).

Prof.V.Uma Maheswara Rao, Registrar, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam presided over the function and addressed the gathering. In his address he highlighted the need for observing the World Population Day and called upon the youth to take the message of awareness about population growth and its implications. He also cited the example of countries like Japan where the older age population is increasing which is likely to create a vacuum in the development process.

Prof.G.Nageswara Rao, Vice-Chancellor, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam is the Chief Guest of the function. He dwelt on the need for utilizing the window of demographic dividend which gives an opportunity for the country to foster growth and development. Prof.Nageswara Rao mentioned that huge population is not always a curse but can be an opportunity if the investments in the younger population are made properly. He cited the example of China which is challenging the developed nations like US because of its population and quality.

Dr.K.V.R.Subrahmanyam, Vice-President, IASP welcomed the theme of "Family Planning - Empowering the People of Developing Nations" proposed by the United Nations. He said that the theme is apt and extremely important at this juncture in view of the high teenage and adolescent child bearing. All over the World the teenage fertility is high and the family planning programme needs to address the issue to reduce child bearing during the young age of 15 – 19 years. He stressed the need for promotion of spacing methods to control teenage fertility.





## At SV University, Tirupati

The World Population Day was observed by Dept of Population studies, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati and IASP on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2017. Prof Lakshmamma, Head of the Department and Prof Ravindra Kumar, Vice President of IASP addressed the students and faculty and highlighted the need to address population related issues so as to have faster development.

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