



**Indian Sociological Society
44th All India Sociological Conference**

On

**Reconstructing Sociological Discourse in India: Perspectives from
the Margins**

December 27, 28 and 29, 2018



Organized by

**St. Philomena's College (Autonomous)
Bannimantap, Mysuru – 570015
Karnataka, India**

Invitation

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to participate in the 44th All India Sociological Conference (AISC) of the Indian Sociological Society being hosted by the St. Philomena's College (Autonomous), Mysuru on the theme "Reconstructing Sociological Discourse in India: Perspectives from the Margins" between December 27 and 29, 2018. The Conference invites research papers in English and Hindi to be presented through 27 Research Committees (RCs) and one Adhoc Group of the Indian Sociological Society. The Papers to be presented in the Research Committees/AG are to be prepared in consonance with the main theme of the conference.

Conference Partners

Department of Studies in Sociology, University of Mysore

Alumni Association of Students of the Department of Sociology, University of Mysore (AADSUM)

Karnataka Sociology Association (KSA)

Department of Sociology, Karnataka State Open University, Mysuru

Theme

Reconstructing Sociological Discourse in India: Perspectives from the Margins

Sociological discourse, over the years has taken many forms, both in terms of 'content' and 'genre'. It displays a great deal of diversity and has engaged in 'constructing' and de-constructing' knowledge as a socio-political-cultural construct. Since sociological discourse is essentially concerned with elucidating social reality, which in itself has many facets, there is a great deal of variation in the way it is interpreted and presented. Sociological theorists have been trying to understand institutions and individuals, and this understanding is essentially placed in the socio-historical contexts in which they live and think. However, at every point of time in the growth of sociological thinking, the need to create 'alternate discourses' has been expressed very strongly, and it is this need, which the present Conference also wants to deliberate upon.

Sociological discourse in India has traversed a long way from philosophical-historical traditions to post-modern interpretations of social realities that surround us. New themes, discourses and counter-discourses have emerged in sociological theory and research. One of the most visible critiques of many sociological studies is that they tend to think, talk and write about reality in a particular way, and in that process both the creator of the discourse and the readers may shut themselves off to other perspectives. This is especially true of lived experiences of groups which are left on the periphery of the dominant knowledge paradigms.

The key questions that this Conference addresses are: 'how often has sociological discourse in India engaged in bringing to the 'centre' the perspectives of those who live on the margins? What are the popular conceptions of marginality and what are the images of marginality being constructed by sociological discourses? What kind of identities are dominant discourses assigning to those on the margins? What are the methodological premises on which the concept of marginality is based? Can there be universally accepted notions of marginality in Indian society or should there be group, region and culture specific explanations for what constitutes marginality? The Conference intends to seek answers to these and other related questions.

The 44th AISC will discuss the conference theme in the following three plenary sessions:

1. Liberalization, Privatization, Globalization and Marginalization: Re-visiting Perspectives
2. Feminist Intersections: Women, Genders and Masculinities in Contemporary India
3. Changing Socio-Political-Economic-Cultural Landscape of Karnataka: Representations from the Margins

Instructions for Abstract Submissions

- Participants will not be able to submit their abstracts without becoming members of ISS and of RCs/Ad-hoc groups in which they wish to make a presentation (Please get membership through the ISS web Portal (For New Members) please click on the link <http://app.insoso.org/Pages/register.aspx> . After becoming a member of the Indian Sociological Society, you may apply for RC membership.
- A person can be a member of only two RCs.
- No person can present more than one abstract in one RC.
- Only English and Hindi language abstracts will be accepted.
- Last date for sending abstracts is September 30, 2018.
- Enquiries regarding abstract submission and acceptance can be made to the respective RC/AG Conveners.
- All the delegates whose papers have been accepted must update their RC membership. For further details please visit (<http://insoso.org/images/FAQ30.pdf>).
- **Abstract has to be sent directly to the concerned RC/Adhoc Group conveners** in a PDF format (Hindi- Kurti Dev 10) along with Conference Registration Number, ISS Membership Number and RC Membership Number/ Payment details. Without the following details, abstracts will not be considered.

Abstracts will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Connection of the title to the theme of the Conference
- Conceptual clarity of the abstract
- Methodological application in the abstract
- Sociological relevance of the title of the abstract

NOTE: Payment towards ISS membership and RC Membership should be made to the ISS account only. Please do not club Conference registration fee with ISS/RC membership.

Abstract has to be sent directly to the concerned RC/Adhoc Group conveners. The RC numbers, titles of the RCs/AG and the names of the convener along with their Email IDs and phone numbers are been given in the list of RCs /Adhoc Group shown below:

RC No.	Name of the RC/AG	Convener	Contact Number
RC-1	History of Sociology	Manoj Chaparia Email: mkchhaparia1702@gmail.com	9450767440
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RC-3	Economy and Society	B. B. Mohanty E-mail: bibhutimohanty@hotmail.com	9442032327
RC-4	Migration and Diaspora Studies	Ajailiu Niumai E-mail: ajainiumai@gmail.com ,	9441290892
RC-5	Sociology of Education	Birendra Narain Dubey E-mail: dubeybbau@gmail.com ,	9415154484; 9198633366
RC-6	Sociology of Religion	RamanujGanguly Email: rg.wbsu@gmail.com	9831623471
RC-7	Adivasi and Tribal Studies	Sanjay Singh <i>E-mail: sssbps@gmail.com</i>	945076896
RC-8	Inequalities, Stratification and Exclusion Studies	Mohammad Salim E-mail: msalim500@yahoo.com ,	9451810056; 9335664912
RC-9	Dalit Studies	Arun Paudmal Email-arunpaudmal143@gmail.com	9822494137
RC-10	Gender Studies	Jyoti Saikia Email: jpsaikia.2012@gmail.com	9954806855
RC-11	Sociology of Environment	Anoop Kumar Singh E-mail: dr.anoopsinghdav@gmail.com	9415126765
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RC-17	Sociology of Social Movements	Gayatri Bhattacharya E-mail: gayatrib18@gmail.com	9836740688
RC-18	Social Demography	Udai Bhan Singh E-mail: ub_singh69@yahoo.co.in	9415722724
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Adhoc Group

Sociology of Everyday Life

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Poster Presentation

- Poster presentations are invited from M.Phil and Ph.D students, who are participating in the Conference on any area related to the Conference Theme.
- Abstracts for the poster need to be submitted giving the title and theme of the poster on or before September 30, 2018 to Dr. Shanthi. G on her Email ID shanthi.vg@gmail.com (9901261481) mentioning POSTER PRESENTATION in the subject of the mail.
- Abstracts would be submitted to a review process and the authors of the posters selected for presentation would be informed via Email.
- The Poster Presentation requires the summation of theoretical, methodological and substantive aspects of the poster theme.
- Abstract should not exceed one A4 size sheet in PDF format. Abstract should clearly indicate Authors' name and Institutional affiliation along with a scanned copy of a valid ID.
- The Poster presentations will receive certificates.
- Registration rules apply.

Conference Registration

All the participants have to pay the Registration Fee as per the following specifications:

Date	Delegates		Students		Accompanying Person	Foreign Delegates	
	With Accommodation (In RS)	Without Accommodation (In RS)	With Accommodation (In RS)	Without Accommodation (In RS)	In Rupees	In USD	Accompanying person
July 1 to August 31	3000	2250	2250	2000	5000	200	200
Sep 1 to Oct31	3500	3000	3000	2500	6000	225	225
Nov 1 to Nov 30	4000	3500	3500	3000	7000	250	250
Spot Registration	-----	4500	-----	3750	8500	300	300

For those who are not members of ISS, in order to register as a delegate for the Conference, membership of ISS is mandatory. The membership categories are Life member/ Ordinary member/ Ordinary student member/ Institutional member.

- The amount has to be deposited in the ISS Account, the details of which are given below:
Name of the Account: Indian Sociological Society
Savings Bank Account Number: 4114000100575176
Name of Bank: Punjab National Bank,
Branch: Vasant Kunj, New Delhi 110070,
IFSC Code: PUNB0411400
- All conference related payments are to be made directly to the conference account, including spot payment.
- Delegates' registration will cover kit and food, from dinner on December 26 to dinner on December 29, 2018.
- Only delegates, who have made their payment under the category Registration with Accommodation, will be provided accommodation.
- Delegates, who have made their payment under the category Registration without Accommodation, will receive kit and food only.
- The last date for registration with accommodation is November 30, 2018. Spot registration will be done from December 26 to December 29, 2018
- Delegates will have to remit conference registration fee directly to the following Bank account through internet banking/RTGS/NEFT/cheque/cash.

Details of Bank Account:

Name of the Account: **44th All India Sociological Conference**

Current Account Number: 17191010000990

Name of Bank: Syndicate Bank

Branch: Mysore St. Philomena's College Campus Branch

IFSC Code: **SYNB0001719**

Mysuru: A Brief Overview

The city of Mysuru, known as the ‘cultural capital’ of the state of Karnataka was the capital of the Mysore royal dynasty. The city is a flourishing centre of art, architecture, education and literature, and has carved a niche for itself in the cultural canvas of this country.



Its royal heritage still echoes in the monuments and minds of this city, considered the ideal location for educational, cultural and entrepreneurial pursuits. The rulers of Mysore laid a firm foundation for an inclusive system of governance that ushered an era of social justice. Known for its multi-cultural ambience, the city is also among the most sought after educational destinations in India. While retaining its ‘old world charm’, Mysuru has also opened itself to changes taking place the world over. With a congenial physical and social climate, culture of tolerance and guest-friendly approach the city stands out as a place that presents an ideal blend of tradition and modernity. The city’s own historical and cultural monuments, and its closeness to many places known for their scenic beauty, rich natural resources and wellness centres makes it an ideal tourist destination.

University of Mysore: A Century of Academic Glory

Established in 1916 by the then Maharaja of Mysore Nalwadi Sri Krishnaraja Wodeyar, the University of Mysore was the sixth university to be started in India, and the first in the present state of Karnataka. It has a long tradition of academic excellence, which is aptly reflected in its motto: Nothing is Comparable to Knowledge. The University which has entered the 102nd year of its existence has a long tradition of academic accomplishments and a rich research heritage. Known for its achievements in the fields of humanities, social sciences, natural and physical sciences, language and literature the University’s reputation has spread far and wide. It has produced scholars of global repute who have made remarkable contributions to their respective fields of knowledge. The University of Mysore has received laurels and recognitions from NAAC, UGC, MHRD, DST and many other national and international organizations for its high quality research.

About St. Philomena's College (Autonomous), Mysuru

St. Philomena's College was established in the year 1946, with the motto 'Love through Knowledge'. It was the first private Degree College to be established in the erstwhile state of Mysore. Due to the philanthropic spirit of the then Maharaja of Mysore, Sri Jayachamarajendra Wodeyar and the intuitive vision of the Bishop of Mysore Rt. Rev. Dr. Rene Feuga, the College emerged as one of the premier institutions of higher learning in the University of Mysore and in the state. Its commitment to addressing the needs of the marginalized needs special mention. The international student profile of St. Philomena's is a testimony to the thrust it places on academic excellence.

The College has established linkages with the Indian Council of Cultural Relations, University of Lumiere Lyon 2 in France and Daffodil International University, Dhaka Bangladesh for facilitating student placement. The founders of the institution, being far-sighted, gave a special place to social sciences realizing their relevance and importance. Affiliated to the University of Mysore, St. Philomena's College has several laurels to its credit, these being A+ and A Grades by NAAC respectively in 2004 & 2014; 'College with Potential for Excellence' in 2010 and 'College with Excellence' in 2015. St. Philomena's is one of the five colleges in Karnataka recognized under RUSA for achieving 'academic excellence in higher education' by MHRD. Spread over 25 acres of land and with excellent infrastructure, the College offers UG Courses in about 35 subjects and PG Programs in 13 disciplines (www.stphilos.ac.in).

The Department of Sociology was also established in 1946. Committed teachers were associated with the Department in its formative years. They guided the department, keeping the vision and mission of the College in mind and worked relentlessly for nurturing the skills of students. The Department has been actively and effectively involved in designing and carrying out programmes for building and strengthening the sociological insights of students. The Department stands out as a pioneer in supporting academic activities both at the university and state levels. It has hosted the Karnataka Sociology Conference and many curriculum design workshops and capacity building events for younger faculty and research students. With a large number of international students, the Department's multi-cultural face is well known in university circles. Rev.Fr. Jaques Didier, Prof. M.V. John, Prof. M. Raphael and Prof. Joseph Mathew were on the faculty of the Department in various stages of its growth and development. Rashmi Vincia is currently in-charge of the Department.

How to reach Mysuru

Mysuru can be reached both by road and rail. At this point of time flight services are operated only between Hyderabad and Mysuru via Chennai by True Jet. The incoming flight to Mysuru arrives at 19.35 and departs at 19.55. There are daily trains from Bengaluru to Mysuru at different points of time during the course of the day and the distance between Bengaluru and Mysuru can be covered in about 3 hours. Since trains from all over India come to Bengaluru, Mysuru is very

well connected on the train route. Almost every 10-15 minutes there are buses plying between Mysuru and Bengaluru and also between Bengaluru and Mysuru. There is a Fly Bus service between Mysuru and Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru (Sixteen trips both ways once in every 2- 3 hours www.bengaluruairport.com/transport/flybus.jsp). Direct trains ply daily between Mysuru and Chennai, Tuticorin and Myladudorai in Tamilnadu connecting many important towns and cities in Tamilnadu; Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh and Dharwad, Bagalkot and Hampi connecting many destinations in Karnataka. There are also direct trains to other states on select days of the week connecting major hubs in many states. (<https://indiarailinfo.com/departures/mysuru-junction-mysore-mys/1430>). Travelers can also avail Taxi services between Bengaluru-Mysuru-Bengaluru. Prepaid auto-rickshaw counters are in place both at the Mysuru railway station and the bus terminal. Weather in Mysuru during December varies between 18– 28 degree Celsius.

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