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President’s Message

Taking on the mantle of leading the Indian Sociological Society (ISS) soon after the unprecedented onslaught of the Covid-19 pandemic, is indeed a challenging task. At the outset, I would like to extend my deep sense of gratitude to all the Life Members of the Indian Sociological Society for electing me the President of ISS, the most prestigious and acclaimed academic body of our discipline. I am overwhelmed and touched by this decision and dedicate myself completely to abide by the trust reposed on me by working for the ISS with all sincerity, fairness, and commitment. I thank the outgoing team led by the President Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, Prof. Jagan Karade, the Secretary, Prof. S.K. Sharma, the Treasurer, and the Managing Committee Members for their work carried out with dedication during the difficult times. I am grateful to them and the Organizing Secretary, Prof. Balaji Kendre, and his team, all RC Conveners, representatives of Regional Associations, all members of the ISS, and the Office staff for their efforts in successfully organizing online the 46th All India Sociological Conference at the University of Mumbai in December 2021.

Our nation and the world are still grappling with the effect of the Covid-19 pandemic, as well as other incidents of wars, conflicts, environmental degradation, violence, unemployment, and migration impacting people, especially the vulnerable more acutely. Many of these and related issues are discussed and written about in different technical sessions of the 28 Research Committees (RCs), and plenary and special sessions during the All-India and mid-term sociological conferences of the Indian Sociological Society. They are equally dealt with in the various seminars and conferences of the Regional Associations (13) of the ISS. During RC Conveners’ meeting held on 2nd April 2022, the activities undertaken and those proposed were outlined by the Conveners, and it is heartening to know that sincere efforts are being made to make the RCs more active and vibrant. On 23rd April 2022, the ISS organized a Workshop for the RC Conveners in which distinguished past Presidents - Prof. Anand Kumar and Prof. R. Indira and Secretary, Prof. Rajesh Misra were the Resource Persons. The Workshop deliberated upon important issues pertaining to the RCs. I have always emphasized on bringing out good publications by the RCs as well as the ISS, and I hope we will be able to achieve some success in this direction.

The Managing Committee meeting of the ISS was held on 12th March 2022 at Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi in which some routine matters were discussed as well as important decisions were taken. Thanksgiving to the outgoing office bearers and 5 MC Members and welcoming of the new office bearers and 5 new MC Members were done. Prof. Shruti Tambe is the present Treasurer of the ISS, and I welcome her to our team of Office Bearers. Various Committees, each with a Convener and 2-3 members were formed to deal with the issues like those of the RCs, the list of ISS Life members, the election process, the ISS website, and the Regional Associations. I am thankful to all the Conveners and Members of various Committees for coming forward and taking the initiative. Since we took over early this year, we have had continuous online meetings with the Editors (present and past) of various ISS Journals. I am indeed grateful to Prof. B.B. Mohanty, the Editor of Sociological Bulletin for his meticulous work in bringing out the issues in time, published by the Sage. I welcome Prof. Vivek Kumar and Prof. Nagaraju Gundemeda as new Editors of the Journals Bharatiya Samajshastra Sameeksha (Hindi) and Explorations (E-Journal) respectively and look forward to working with them in the most amiable and productive ways. I would also like to place on record my sincere thanks to Prof. B.K. Nagla and Prof. Chandan Kumar Sharma, the earlier Editors, and their teams for their efficient work in the publication of the Journals.
We have just begun and there is a long way to go! We look forward to holding meetings with the Regional Associations, and organizing a mid-term conference/ National Seminar soon, besides some academic writing and other workshops. I am thankful for the support rendered to me all through by the Secretary ISS, Prof. Manish K. Verma. To him, also as the Editor of the Newsletter, Prof. Ajailiu Niumai, the Co-editor, and the Members, Dr. Anshu Kedia and Dr. Sudha Khokate, I express my gratitude for their hard work and dedication in bringing out the first Newsletter of our tenure (2022-23).

Abha Chauhan
President, Indian Sociological Society

Esteemed Colleagues,

It gives me immense pleasure to convey my warm greetings to all the members of the Indian Sociological Society (ISS) as its newly elected Secretary (2022-23). I take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all of you for imposing your faith in me by electing me to a post that has a long list of academic luminaries as past office bearers. This makes my task more challenging. I will try my level best to come up to the expectations of all of you, and ensure you that I will follow in the footsteps of my predecessors. I also thank the outgoing team of office bearers for conducting ISS activities, especially the Mumbai All India Sociological Conference (AISC), in a most professional manner, despite the wrath of Corona pandemic.

The new team of office bearers comprising the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and five new, and, ten members elected to the Managing Committee between 2018 and 2021, took charge of the office in January 2022 for taking the ISS activities forward. Some of the main challenges and tasks before the newly appointed office bearers are, to name a few, streamlining the ISS activities; strengthening and rationalizing Research Committees (RCs) and making them more vibrant; encouraging RCs to publish their respective e-journals apart from bringing out peer-reviewed editorial volumes from reputed national/international publishers, based on the papers presented in annual conferences of ISS or other RC events; organizing/helping RCs to conduct lectures on emergent research issues; and, strengthening the methodological proficiency of researchers, students, and younger faculty of Sociology.

We also look forward to organizing ISS events in the offline and hybrid mode and supporting Regional Associations to build their membership base, and work in close collaboration with ISS. We hope to complete the work of updating the ISS Membership Directory, and request members to share their membership details, if it is still to be done.

We have already conducted meetings of the Managing Committee (12th March 2022), Conveners of the Research Committees (2nd April 2022), and organized a Workshop for RC Conveners on April 23 in which an interaction was organized with two former Presidents of ISS, Prof. Anand Kumar and Prof. R. Indira, and former Secretary Prof. Rajesh Mishra. Meetings with Editors of ISS Journals and representatives of Sage Publications have also been organized. In the meeting with Sage representatives, it was decided that henceforth ISS would send the link to the journal Sociological Bulletin (SB) to email IDs of Life Members to ensure easy access. I am happy to bring to your notice that this has already been done. Sage has agreed to freeze the price of the physical copies of SB to the last year’s cost for the next two years. Many sub-committees of the MC have been constituted to oversee the functioning of different tasks that we have set ahead for the ISS.
The ISS is extending support to RCs to conduct Research Methodology/Academic Writing Workshops, as per the Guidelines set apart for allocation of resources. I am happy to share with you that RC 28 has been granted this facility for organizing a workshop on “Methodological Significance of Social Science Theories” at North Bengal University. I request all RCs to come up with proposals for organizing workshops in future months.

We have some more challenging tasks ahead. Most important among these is the organization of the All-India Sociological Congress (AISC) in December 2022. We are still looking forward to receiving proposals from universities for conducting this year’s AISC. I take this opportunity to request all those interested to send proposals for holding the AISC in their universities, duly routed through their respective Vice-chancellors. Moreover, we have to further expand our membership base by adding more and more young research scholars and teachers. Therefore, I request all the esteemed members to encourage their research scholars and colleagues to take membership of ISS. To revise and update the ISS membership directory, we have already circulated google forms on various social media platforms with a request to fill it up by providing your details. I will use this medium to request you all once again, to kindly fill-up the form, if you have not done it so far. We also wish to strengthen our regional associations and encourage them to be proactive in carrying on sociological activities in their respective states by coordinating with ISS more intensively. Such states which do not yet have regional associations at present are also requested to think about it seriously and initiate steps to form their regional associations.

To conclude, I thank all the MC members, RC Conveners, and other office staff of ISS for their tireless efforts in making the ISS mission a concrete reality.

Prof. Manish K. Verma
Secretary, ISS

Greetings! I am delighted to share this online space as Co-editor with Prof. Manish K. Verma, editor of e-newsletter and Secretary of ISS. It is an honour and privilege for me to be associated with the ISS newsletter. Since this is the very first e-newsletter of our new editorial team composed of the ISS President Prof. Abha Chauhan, Dr. Sudha Khokate and Dr. Anshu Kedia for 2022-23, we encounter a few challenges to collect and compile the accurate information and edit it. We are almost in normal times after experiencing waves of the COVID-19 pandemic, and online activities have been minimized in several educational institutions across the country. I would like to share that some RCs are lined up with academically stimulating programmes in hybrid modes for this year as you can see the details in this e-newsletter. We hope to bring the news of activities of the ISS particularly RCs and Regional Associations including the International Sociological Association (ISA) at regular intervals, for which we seek your continued cooperation. This form of the e-newsletter is a good way to reach our members directly and it is cost-effective.

Looking forward to our continuous interaction.

Ajailiu Niumai
Co-editor, e-Newsletter of ISS &
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FIRST ISS MANAGING COMMITTEE MEETING IN 2022

The first ISS Managing Committee Meeting was held on 12th March 2022 at CSSS, JNU, New Delhi. Prof. Vivek Kumar, Chairperson of CSSS hosted the meeting and provided a warm local hospitality to all the ISS officials and MC members. The meeting began with the Welcome Address by the President of ISS, Prof. Abha Chauhan followed by the introduction of the members present. The President informed that the newly elected office-bearers of ISS formally took over the charge from the outgoing office bearers on 5th January 2022 in which Prof. Abha Chauhan (President-elect) and Prof. Manish K. Verma (Secretary elect) were physically present in the office whereas the outgoing office bearers Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge (outgoing President), Prof. Jagan Karade (outgoing Secretary) and Prof. Satish Sharma (outgoing Treasurer) were available online. Further, she informed the MC regarding the nomination of Prof. Shruti Tambe as the new Treasurer of ISS. She enumerated the efforts of the newly elected office bearers
within the past two months by informing the house about the meeting held with Sage and the past and present editors of ISS journals. Reports regarding the 46th All India Sociological Conference held (online) in Mumbai in December 2021 and of the Editors of ISS Journals were presented. Some important decisions were taken during the meeting, one of them being the enhancement and fixing of the fees to be paid by the Regional Association. The MC also appointed Dr. Sanjay Nilkanth Kolekar (Pune) as the Adhoc Convener for RC-22. Besides these, various Committees were formed for the smooth functioning of the ISS.

**Committees Formed**
Affiliation fees of the Regional Associations: In the last MC meeting, it was decided to enhance the fees of the Regional Association to Rs.1,000/- (One Thousand Only) with effect from April 2022 to affiliate with ISS.

The following Committees were formed during the MC Meeting of 12th March 2022, each having a Convener and a few members.

**Committee to Coordinate RC Activities**
1. Prof. Arvinder Ansari (Convener)
2. Prof. Ramesh Makwana (Member)
3. Prof. Vinita Singh (Member)

**Committee to update the existing list of life members**
1. Prof. Shweta Prasad (Convener)
2. Prof. Tattwamasi Paltasingh (Member)
3. Dr. Vinita Singh (Member)
4. Dr. Alok Kumar Meena (Member)

**Committee to review the election process**
1. Prof. Shruti Tambe (Convener)
2. Prof. Balaji Namdev Kendre (Member)
3. Prof. Manish Thakur (Member)

**Committee to update and handle the ISS website**
1. Prof. Ajaili Niumai (Convener)
2. Prof. Shruti Tambe (Member)
3. Dr. Sanjay Tewari (Member)

**Committee to review the status of the Regional Associations and coordinate their activities with the ISS**
1. Prof. Shweta Prasad (Convener)
2. Dr. Anshu Kedia (Member)
3. Dr. Sudha Khokate (Member)
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The formation of Regional Associations in different states, where it does not exist yet, was stressed by President Prof. Abha Chauhan during the MC Meeting. Further, it is viewed that strong academic collaborations/linkages should be explored between ISS and various Regional Associations. Prof. Ajailiu Niumi appraised the house about the formation of the North East India Sociological Association and its future plans. The Regional Association has to register itself with ISS by paying a requisite fee. The MC decided to enhance the RC registration fee to Rs. 1000/- (One Thousand Only). Earlier it was Rs. 600/- (Six Hundred Only).

The Treasurer Prof. Shruti Tambe presented the financial report and it was suggested that the Membership Fees should be increased as below:

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The MC agreed to implement the revised rates from next year (January 2023) onwards for items listed at Sl. No. 1, 2 & 3 and April 2022 for Sl. No. 4. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by ISS Secretary Prof. Manish K. Verma.
RC CONVENER’S MEETING

The RC Conveners held their 1st Meeting for the year 2022 on the 2nd of April. The meeting was chaired by Prof. Abha Chauhan, President, ISS. She welcomed all the old and new RC Conveners and MC members who had also joined the meeting. In her Address, she emphasized the activities and publications to be undertaken by the RCs. Prof. Arvinder Ansari, the Convener of the Committee to coordinate the activities of RCs presented her report. It was decided that Prof. Ansari would prepare the report regarding the RC Rules to be discussed and finalized in the next RC Conveners’ meeting. During the meeting, some MC members expressed their viewpoints to strengthen the RCs. The RC Conveners presented reports of their RCs and shared their proposed activities for the future. The Treasurer, Prof Shruti Tambe gave her input on the financial aspects. The house also reviewed matters pertaining to the RC rules of 2017 and later amendments, and an online training program/workshop of RC Conveners was proposed to be organized. Other matters such as RC membership, RC publications, mid-term seminars/webinars and workshops, and the like were also discussed. It ended with a vote of thanks by the ISS Secretary, Prof. Manish K. Verma.

RC CONVENER’S WORKSHOP

On 23rd April 2022, ISS organised the RC Conveners’ Workshop online. The President of ISS, Prof. Abha Chauhan chaired the Workshop and delivered opening remarks. The Conveners of RCs and MC members commented on various aspects pertaining to each RC in general and ISS in particular. The workshop concluded with a vote of thanks by ISS Secretary Prof. Manish K. Verma. The three resource persons viz; Prof. Anand Kumar, Prof. R. Indira, and Prof. Rajesh Misra delivered lucid and invaluable invited talks for the RC Conveners and ISS officials. Prof. Anand Kumar and Prof. R. Indira are past Presidents and Prof. Rajesh Misra has been the past Secretary of ISS. They shared their experiences and suggested ideas to strengthen the ISS.
Prof. Anand Kumar was of the view that RC Conveners must possess academic credentials and knowledge in their particular domain. He put forward the idea for RCs to have a Convener, Co-Convener, and Treasurer to nurture new leadership. In bigger RCs, two Co-conveners may be appointed to assist the Convener. With regard to the RC newsletter, he recommended that RC Convener must be the editor, and Co-convener contribute as co-editor. He expressed that online newsletters may be published and multilingual abstracts/papers to be accepted in RCs. He also suggested that RCs be connected digitally on various platforms such as WhatsApp groups and their activities be closely knitted with the ISS. He pointed out that RCs must seek guidance and services from the seniors, particularly to facilitate as Chairperson, Discussant, and the like during AISC and mid-term seminars/workshops/conferences. He emphasised that mid-term seminars/conferences may be organised often but professional ethics and quality must be maintained. He also advocated for multilingualism with the aim that Indian languages can be nurtured by RCs, and thus RCs must invite papers in regional languages. Finally, he emphasized that since the stalwarts of the last generation have worked hard to strengthen Sociology as one of the youngest disciplines in Social Sciences through ISS, therefore, everyone must continue to work with vigor and enthusiasm for ISS.

Prof. R. Indira mentioned that RC Conveners may attempt to explore collaboration with colleges and state universities across the country. There are institutions that are keen to collaborate with ISS. She said that each RC has 70% of registration fees from the ISS and the Conveners may use this fund to organize workshops/seminars/conferences. There must be inter-RCs collaborations and mixed themes in these days of multidisciplinary approach and intersectionality research. We have been mandated to engage in collaborations these days and hence, RCs must think of working together and must engage in listening, learning, and unlearning, she said. Prof. Indira further elaborated that more than two RCs could take the initiative of organizing academic writing workshops. This will de-centralize responsibility and take ISS forward. She also suggested that each RC must conduct a Business Meeting quarterly and invite the President and Secretary of ISS in which RC Conveners can share their experiences and challenges and seek input to improve the RCs.

Prof. Rajesh Misra emphasized in his presentation that RCs should work as a research network in their field of specialisation for encouragement and help the younger professionals to train them. There is also a need to involve senior Professors to handle and train the younger generation. According to him, RCs
should be a platform where younger, senior, and middle-level professionals meet. He emphasised that RCs have to focus on the following:

a. Need to stop regional parochialism. It is affecting the research standards in all Institutions.
b. Bureaucratisation of academic activities must reduce. We need rules and regulations that balance bureaucratisation and academic autonomy or professional independence.
c. Decentralisation of academic activities in an intellectual way is a must in RC’s.
d. Involve senior Professors to assess the RC papers to improve the quality of sessions.
e. There must be financial regulations to strengthen the RC’s.

CONFERENCE/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS ORGANISED

1. The Sociological Society of Uttar Pradesh (SSUP) in collaboration with Madhyanchal Sociological Society, Uttarakhand Sociological Society, and Department of Sociology, University of Lucknow organised the National Webinar on "Some Reflections on Gandhian Political Praxis and Gramscian Perspective" on 30th January 2022. Prof. Rajesh Mishra delivered the Keynote Address and it was chaired by Prof. Arvind Joshi. The Sociological Society of Uttar Pradesh (SSUP) organised the Lecture Series on Indian Sociologists on 16th February 2022, in which Prof. Anand Kumar delivered a lecture on the "Contributions of Prof. Yogendra Singh in Indian Sociology." On 2nd April 2022, SSUP organised the webinar on Population and Society, and the Keynote Address was delivered by Prof. J. P. Singh, Patna. He emphasized the need for a new population policy. On 5th April 2022, Prof. A. K. Sharma delivered a lecture on the "Theories of Population" under the Lecture Series of the SSUP.

2. Department of Sociology, North Bengal University, the UGC-HRDC of North Bengal University, and the RC 28: Sociology of Everyday Life organized a seven-day workshop on “Methodological Significance of the Social Science Theories” in physical mode, from 7th to 13th March 2022. The University of North Bengal and Indian Sociological Society (ISS) sponsored this workshop. The workshop was organized out of a concern that both the methodological and analytical sides of present day research in social sciences, in general, are being neglected and there is a general inertia among the young researchers in social sciences to engage with the rich body of social science theories, which are, at the same time, methodologically rich. The objective of the workshop was to motivate the young scholars to read theories more, learn the techniques of theorization, avoid “abstract empiricism”; and elevate the analytical standard of their research. There were 40 participants in the workshop. The resource persons who spoke at the workshop were (1) Prof. Sobhanlal Datta Gupta, (2) Prof. Abhijit Mitra, (3) Prof. Samir Kumar Das, (4) Prof. Abhijit Dasgupta, (5) Prof. Arun Bandopadhyay, (6) Prof. Prasanta Ray, (7) Prof. Achin Chakraborty (8) Prof. Amites Mukhopadhyay, (9) Prof. T. B. Subba, (10) Prof. Anirban Mukherjee, (11) Prof. Saswati Biswas, (12) Prof. Anjan Chakraborty (13) Prof. Sanjay K. Roy (NBU, Sociology). Prof. Sanjay K. Roy, Convener, RC 28: Sociology of Everyday Life was the Coordinator of the workshop.
3. **RC - 27 Sociology of Care** organised an online programme on 3 April 2022 at 11.00 a.m to release the book *Mothers: Beyond Maternalism*. This volume, edited by Samita Manna, Sujit Roy and Soumyajit Patra, is based on the papers presented in RC - 27 during 46th AISC. Prof. Soumyajit Patra, Convener of RC - 27, delivered the welcome address. Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, Former President of ISS, and Prof. Manish K. Verma, Secretary, ISS, jointly released the book. Both Prof. Judge and Prof. Verma reflected on the importance of motherhood from sociological perspectives in their lectures. In this programme, Prof. Samita Manna, Senior Fellow, ICSSR, discussed the theme of the book and its uniqueness in the study of motherhood. Participants from different parts of the country joined this programme.

4. The Odisha Sociological Society (OSS) organised an Online National Conference on "Women Trafficking in India: Issues and Concern" on 5th April 2022. President of the Indian Sociological Society Prof. Abha Chauhan was the Chief Guest, Prof. Ajailiu Niumai was the Keynote speaker, and Prof. R. Indira was the Guest of Honour. The other resource persons included Prof. Shweta Prasad, Prof Arvinder Ansari, Prof. Shruti Tambe, Dr. Sudha Khokate, Dr. Manoj Jena, Prof. Satya Priya Rout, Prof. Anup Singh, and Prof. Bibhuti Bhusan Mallik. Prof. Abha Chauhan inaugurated the Journal of OSS known as "The Eastern Sociology" and Prof. R. Indira inaugurated the Newsletter of OSS. A Counseling Centre for Anti-Trafficking of Women was inaugurated by Prof. Ajailiu Niumai. The President of OSS Dr. Amiya Kumar Jena, Principal Marshaghai College Marshaghai chaired the programme. The Secretary of OSS, Dr. Iswar Chandra Naik delivered his remarks in the Valedictory session. Dr. Madhusmita Kar highlighted, in brief, the background of the Conference. Mr. Rajesh Kumar Rout, and Ms. Dipika Nayak provided technical assistance during the conference. More than 100 sociologists participated in the conference.
UPCOMING CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS


2. RC-14 Globalisation and Culture in collaboration with Global Research and Educational Foundation India, RC-08 Inequalities, Stratification and Exclusion Studies, ISA Working group 01 Sociology on Local-Global Relations, ISA RC-14 Sociology of Communication, Knowledge and Culture, Centre for Studies in Science Policy, JNU, New Delhi will organise International Conference on “Globalization and the Emergence of a New World Order: Theoretical Formulations and Empirical Reality”, November 20-24, 2022, JNU Complex, New Delhi. For further details and to send abstracts, contact Prof. Virendra P. Singh, Email: grefiplus2018@gmail.com or Contact +919235608187, +919936868187.

3. RC-10 Gender Studies and RC-26 Minority Studies in collaboration with the Department of Sociology, University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) will organise a two-day national seminar on “Minority Rights and Gender Justice in India: A Qualitative Study on Academic & Social Policy” from 22-23 July 2022 at NKC Auditorium, USTM. All interested scholars can contact Dr. Trishna Thakuria, Email: thakuria.trishna@gmail.com

4. RC-24 Sociology of Childhood and Youth will organise a Symposium on “Negotiating SARS-CoV2 Pandemic in Kolkata: Voice and Experience of the Youth” to be jointly organized with the Department of Sociology, Jadavpur University at Sister Nivedita University, Kolkata in the 4th week of July 2022. Contact Dr. Subhasish Bandopadhyay, Email: subhasisban@gmail.com Cell no. 9836945013.

5. RC-27 Sociology of Care will organise the Online National Symposium on “Dynamics of Care” on 12th June 2022 by its Convener Prof. Soumyajit Patra and Team.

6. RC-17 Social Movements and RC-47 of International Sociological Association in collaboration with the Department of Sociology, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune will be organising two-days Training cum Workshop Cum on “Social Movements: Theory, Concepts and Methodologies” on 13th and 14th June, 2022. The last date of sending the abstract is 5th June 2022 and the full paper should be submitted by 9th of June 2022. For details, contact Prof. Shruti Tambe, Email: shruti.tambe@gmail.com

7. RC 28: Sociology of Everyday Life (ISS) and Institute of Development Studies Kolkata (IDSK) will organize a two-day offline Seminar on “Exploring Aspects of Everyday Life” on June 27th and 28th at IDSK, Salt Lake, Kolkata. For details contact the Convener of RC 28, Prof. Sanjay Roy. Email: sanroy0015@gmail.com
8. Department of Sociology, North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, Meghalaya will organize an International Conference (Virtual Mode) on “Revisiting Social Theory: Challenges and Possibilities” on 16th and 17th November 2022. For details contact the Convener of the Conference: Prof. D.V. Kumar, Email: dvkumar4229@gmail.com or check the ISS Website.

9. Indian Sociological Society (ISS) in collaboration with the Islamic University of Science and Technology (IUST), Awantipora, Kashmir will organize a two-day International Conference on “Society, Culture and Social Change: Kashmir and Beyond” on 6th and 7th September 2022 at IUST, Awantipora, Kashmir. For details contact the ISS office or the Organizing Secretary Prof. Pirzada Amin. Email: pirzadaamin@iust.ac.in

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2. Jharkhand Sociological Association (JSA)

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