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### President's Message



It is a time of great turmoil due to conjunction of economic, ethnic and environmental failures. This is not a good news for human beings and their social values, institutions and processes.

The world system seems to be in a downward spiral. Failing paradigms and failed political systems are two outstanding features of the larger part of human societies in the first quarter of the 21st Century. There is increasing technocentricity in human affairs. We are also not going to be immune from it in India. It is time to re-invent 'the social' with meaningful sociological inquiries about what is it, how is it and what are the emerging patterns.

Anand Kumar

### Co-Editor's Message



**Dear Colleagues,**  
**Greetings to all,** It gives me immense pleasure in bringing to you this issue of the ISS e-newsletter. The launch of e-newsletter has been appreciated by all the members which has motivated us to strive to make it a more meaningful and helpful. In this issue we refresh your memories of the Varanasi conference through publication of reports of RC sessions. The call for papers for the forthcoming 41st All India Sociological Conference at Bhubaneswar is also being published.

The success of this newsletter will depend on your participation by way of providing us with news which you all would like to share with sociology fraternity.

Happy academic deliberations

With regards,  
Rashmi Jain

### Secretary's Message



#### From the Secretary's Desk

The activities of the Indian Sociological Society for the year 2013 ended with the curtains being drawn on the 39th All India Sociological Conference held at Mysore on December 29, 2013. The present Managing Committee of the ISS which started its activities with effect from January 1, 2014 had five newly elected members and the membership of the other ten continued from the previous year. The ISS had three new office bearers for the period 2014-15, these being Prof. Anand Kumar (New Delhi) as Secretary and Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge (Amritsar) as Treasurer.

In the nearly two years that have gone by since Team 2014-15 took over, ISS has crossed many milestones. Its LMI number now stands close to 4000. The Sociological Bulletin is available on JSTOR since July 2014. We convey our appreciation to Dr. N. Jayaram and acknowledge his contribution in taking the *Bulletin* on its forward march.

Three issues of the Hindi Bulletin of ISS *Bharateeya Samajshastra Sameeksha* have been released and the reader response has been very encouraging. We acknowledge the efforts of Dr. Anand Kumar, Dr. B. K. Nagla, Dr. Rajeev Gupta, Dr. Naresh Bhargawa and Dr. Asheesh Kumar in bringing out the *Sameeksha*.

Between January 2014 and May 2015 the Managing Committee of the ISS has met thrice. A workshop for RC conveners was organized at JNU, New Delhi in July 2014. The regular meetings of RC Conveners, Regional Associations and the Editorial Advisory Board were also held on the eve of the 40th All India Sociological Conference held at Varanasi from November 29 to December 1, 2014. Nearly 3000 delegates participated in the Conference.

ISS is now making all preparations to secure its own space, and efforts are on to procure a plot of land in New Delhi to locate its national headquarters. We are hoping that in the near future ISS would have its own building.

Preparations are on for the 41st All India Sociological Conference to be hosted by the Department of Sociology and Social Work, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, KIIT University at Bhubaneswar between December 27 and 29, 2015. We look forward to meeting you there.

My term of office as Secretary of ISS comes to an end on December 31, 2015. I wish to place on record my thanks to the President Prof. Anand Kumar, Treasurer Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, Members of the Managing Committee, all members of ISS, Mr. Krishnan Nambodiri and staff of ISS for their support and encouragement in this two year journey.

R.Indira  
(Editor)

### HINDI VERSION OF "GLOBAL DIALOGUE"

The ISS Members are invited to view the Hindi version of "Global Dialogue", the Newsletter of the International Sociological Association, currently published in 14 languages by visiting at the link :  
<http://www.isa-sociology.org/global-dialogue/>

### Important Announcements

**41ST ALL-INDIA SOCIOLOGICAL CONFERENCE**  
**Bhubaneswar, Odisha**

on Development, Marginalization and  
 People's Movements  
**December 27-29, 2015**





**INDIAN SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY  
(41st) ALL-INDIA SOCIOLOGICAL CONFERENCE  
ON  
DEVELOPMENT, MARGINALIZATION AND PEOPLE'S MOVEMENTS  
December 27-29, 2015**

**Organized by  
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## Introduction

The development process has failed to end the deprivation faced by marginalized communities in most of the developing nations. In fact it has contributed to the social reproduction of marginalization. According to the Human Development Report marginalized people have emerged as victims of the processes of development. In every society there are some sections of people who are deprived of socio-economic opportunities for their sustenance and are victims of social, cultural and political exclusion. In India the marginalized communities are rural poor, scheduled tribes and scheduled castes, manual workers in unorganized sector, women, physically disabled, etc. The marginalized have little or no participation in the development process. The initiatives for their development are channeled through a pre-existing power structure.

Their conditions have remained virtually unchanged over centuries in spite of several government initiated programmes and schemes. Access to or utilization of opportunities for upward mobility is very low. This is the reason why serious thought needs to be given to the impact of development on marginalized communities.

Due to the failure of the state in integrating marginalized groups in the development process many people's movements have emerged for evolving strategies for empowerment of these excluded groups. It is this inter-connection between development, marginalization and people's movements that forms the main theme of the 41st All India Sociological Conference.

## Objectives of the Conference

1. Enable the discussion of current research results from different perspectives and representing sociology as a discipline that builds upon micro studies on development and marginalization leading to people's movements.
2. Provide a platform for discussing methodological and conceptual questions of relevance for development, marginalization and people's movements in the light of ongoing processes of change, diversification and mobilization.
3. Facilitate the development of new trans-disciplinary research and new inter-sector networks that will provide an opportunity for theoretical and applied knowledge relocate across different sectors in society – academic, public policy, civil society etc.
4. Develop a contemporary vision of social progress and social development; Issues related to livelihood and development of marginalized sections in the context of globalization, liberalization and privatization.

## Invitation

It is a pleasure to invite you to participate in the 41st All-India Sociological Conference (AISC) of the Indian Sociological Society being hosted by the Department of Sociology and Social Work, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences & KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha on the theme "Development, Marginalization and People's Movements" from December 27-29, 2015.

## About Indian Sociological Society

The Indian Sociological Society was set up in Bombay with the initiative of Prof. G. S. Ghurye, Head of the Department of Sociology, University of Bombay. The Society was registered in December 1951 under the Societies Registration Act. Prof. G. S. Ghurye was the Founder-President. Prof. J. V. Ferreira followed by Prof. K. M. Kapadia was the Secretary. Prof. Ghurye served as President of ISS from 1951 to 1966. The Society started a biannual journal Sociological Bulletin from March 1952. It held seminars/workshops occasionally on selected themes but did not organize large conferences. With the initiative taken by Prof. R. N. Saxena, from the year 1955 onwards six All India Sociological Conferences (AISC) were held in different parts of the country.

With the expansion of higher education, several new departments of sociology came up all over the country resulting in increase in the membership of the Society. The hallmark of the Society's strength was the successful organization of the XI World Congress of Sociology in Delhi in 1986.

The Indian Sociological Society has taken great strides since then. Its membership has increased manifold. Its journal is now published annually with three issues since 2004. Its conferences are held every year and are well attended. In addition to the journal the Society now publishes two issues of ISS Newsletter annually. The Society now organises its major academic work through 24 Research Committees, and this has provided a better opportunity for members to participate in meaningful dialogue and exchange of views. The annual lecture series in memory of Professor M. N. Srinivas and Prof. Radha Kamal Mukerjee, and the annual prize for young sociologists in honour of Prof. M. N. Srinivas have contributed to the academic profile of the Society's activities. Two new prizes for young sociologists namely Prof. N.K. Gowraha Memorial Prize and Prof. Ranganath Memorial Prize have been instituted since 2014.

The Society instituted the Life Time Achievement Award in 2005 with the following objectives: (a) To honour outstanding Indian Sociologists who have made profound and exceptional contributions in the field of sociology and thereby enriched the discipline of sociology and enhanced the capability and respectability of its professionals, and (b) To inspire and encourage other members of the profession to emulate these Awardees and consider them as role models and to work for their own and the profession's betterment and exaltation through creditable work and significant contribution. The award has so far been given to: Dr. Y B Damle (Pune), Prof M. S. Gore (Hubli), Prof. Victor S. D'Souza (Bangalore), and Prof. Ramkrishna Mukherjee (Kolkata) in 2005; Prof. Yogendra Singh (Delhi) and Prof. Leela Dube (Delhi) in 2007; Prof. B. R. Chuhan (Udaipur), Prof. P. C. Joshi (Delhi) and Prof. T. N. Madan (Delhi) in 2008; Prof. André Béteille, Prof. A. M. Shah and Prof. Bela Dutttagupta in 2009; Prof. Suma Chitnis (Mumbai), Prof. D N Dhanagare (Pune), Prof. T. K. Oommen (Delhi) in 2010; Prof. S. K. Srivastava (Lucknow), Prof. J. P.S. Uberoi (Delhi) and Prof. P.K.B. Nayar (Thiruvananthapuram) in 2011, Prof. C. Lakshmana (Hyderabad), Prof. Uttam B. Bhoite (Pune) and Prof. K. L. Sharma (Jaipur) in 2012, Prof. Partha Nath Mukherji (Gurgaon) and Prof. Ravindra K. Jain (Gurgaon) in 2013, and Prof. Satyendra Tripathi (Varanasi), Prof. Prakash N. Pimpley (Nasik), Prof. Imtiaz Ahmad (New Delhi), and Prof. Ramesh C. Tiwari (Lucknow) in 2014.

### Theme of the Conference

The main theme of the conference is "Development, Marginalization and People's Movements". The sub themes of the conference are as follows:

#### The sub themes of the Conference are:

1. Development, Marginalization and People's Movements-Theoretical Perspectives.
2. Development policies in the era of liberalization, privatization and globalization and their impact in rural and urban areas.
3. Major trends in responses of the marginalised towards present model of development.
4. Politics of Development: Agendas of political parties, election manifestos, governments and civil society.
5. People's Movements against development, displacement and marginalisation.
6. Alternative approaches for addressing marginalization.
7. Gender, development and marginalization of women.
8. Development and class dynamics in rural and urban societies.
9. Issues related to livelihood and development vis-à-vis marginalized groups in a globalized world.
10. Conflicts between civil society and state for development of marginalized groups.
11. Development, Marginalisation, People's Movements and Media

### Guidelines for Paper Writers

1. The conference invites original articles as per the following guidelines:
  - Two copies of the abstract of the paper in not more than 200 words should be submitted to the concerned RC Conveners or Ad-hoc Groups preferably by e-mail in Abstract Form latest by October 10, 2015.
2. Each abstract should carry the ISS Membership number of the participant and the Name and Number of the RC to which it is being submitted. The ISS members (Life/ordinary/Student) who have paid the RC membership fee (Rs 400/- for two years and Rs 800/-for 5 years) per Research Committee are entitled to present papers in the conference.
3. Acceptance of abstracts will be communicated by the respective RC conveners by October 25, 2015.
4. Tables, charts, maps, figures etc., are to be placed separately at the end of the article. Number these serially, with appropriate titles/captions.
5. Give separately the bibliographic details of all works cited in the article under reference.
6. Referencing in the text should be as follows: (Desai, A. R 1961:84),
  - b. Recommended style for Bibliography is:
    - Appadurai, A. 1997. Modernity at Large: Cultural Dimensions of Globalization. New Delhi: Oxford University Press

### Methodology of Organization of the Conference

The three-day conference will begin with the Inaugural Session on December 27, 2015 at 10.30 a.m. The same day after lunch there would be parallel sessions of all the Research Committees and Adhoc Groups. On the second day of the conference, i.e. on December 28, 2015 from 10.00 am to 1.00 p.m. Symposium/Special Lectures would be organized. On December 29, 2015 after lunch the Valedictory Session would be held in

## Registration

All the participants have to pay the registration fee as per the following specifications:

Up to	Delegate (with accommodation)	Delegate (without accommodation)	Student(with accommodation)	Students (without accommodation)	Accompanying Person	Foreign Including SAARC Countries Delegates
September 15, 2015	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 1000/-	Rs. 2000/-	US \$ 120
September 30, 2015	Rs. 2200/-	Rs. 1800/-	Rs. 1800/-	Rs. 1200/-	Rs. 2200/-	US \$ 130
October 31, 2015	Rs. 2600/-	Rs. 2200/-	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 2600/-	US \$ 140
After October 31, 2015	Rs. 3200/-	Rs. 2600/-	Rs. 2200/-	Rs. 1800/-	Rs. 3200/-	US \$ 150

- Request for registration should reach us in the enclosed form along with a demand draft payable at Bhubaneswar in favour of the "ORGANIZING SECRETARY, 41st ISS CONFERENCE"
- Spot and local registration would be accepted only in cash. .
- Participants are requested to comply with the deadline in view of the difficulties involved in providing accommodation.

**Note: A visit to Puri & Konark is being arranged on the morning of the 30th December, 2015 after completion of the conference.**

### TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

- Registration fee covers lodging, boarding and hospitality during the conference days.
- Delegates are requested to meet travel and other incidental expenses from their own resources.
- The accommodation provided will be modest and on sharing basis. Those who need exclusive accommodation are requested to make their own arrangements.

### LANGUAGE

English & Hindi

### PLACES OF TOURIST INTEREST

The history of the city stretches back over 2000 years. The area first appears as the ancient capital of Kalinga. Bhubaneswar, the 'city of temples', named after Tribhuvaneshwar, 'Lord of Three Worlds', still preserves over 500 of India's finest temples, around which the religious life of the city revolves. Together with Puri and Konark, Bhubaneswar forms the 'golden triangle'--one of the most visited destinations in East India, for its proud possession of magnificent sculptures and a majestic architectural heritage.

The city has remnants of some of the striking temples, like the Lingaraja Temple, the Muktesvara Temple, etc., together with the famous archaeological and historical sites of Dhauli, Khandagairi and Udayagiri. Star category hotels, restaurants, cafes, shopping malls provide quality lifestyle and refinement.

### CLIMATE

By the end of December 2015, the winter season in Bhubaneswar would have started. The temperature in the city ranges between 180 to 250 Celcius. Participants are requested to bring woolen clothes.

### HOST UNIVERSITY

**Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) University** a premier University in India ranks highly amongst the Universities in the country. As a Centre of Excellence in various streams of Engineering (Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, Electronics, Tele Communication, Computers, IT, Masters in Computer Applications), Bio-Technology, Business Management, Law, Languages, Medical Sciences, Dental Science & Nursing, Fashion Technology, Sculpture, Social Sciences, KIIT continues to forge ahead in the pursuit of academic excellence and research. With membership in the Association of Commonwealth Universities, Association of International Universities, University Mobility in Asia & the Pacific, (UMAP), International Accreditation Organisation, International partnership with more than 50 Universities across Asia, Europe, America, Africa and Australia, KIIT is looking forward towards a meaningful academic relationship with great centers of learning.

Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), protégé of KIIT University has been acknowledged by many statesmen, diplomats, social activists, Nobel Laureates, Chief Ministers and senior Union Cabinet Ministers of India, as the largest institution of the world for tribal children. KISS has been working relentlessly for the upliftment of tribals and empowering them through education. At present 25000 tribal children are provided with food, accommodation, vocational training, and healthcare absolutely free to pursue their education from KG to PG. They are prepared here to be the change agents and through their education and training they become India's quality human resources. Earlier tribal children were lured by the ultras and with a few thousand rupees their parents too used to send them to join the disruptive forces. KISS has been able to stop this social menace to a great extent. Several schemes like 'earn while you learn', jobs after completion of education, trainings for sustainable livelihood have prevented these tribal youths from falling a prey to these disruptive forces. The tribal children are hardworking, pain-staking, intelligent, industrious and physically fit. Several boys and girls from KISS have represented India in various national and international sports competition(s). They have also become world champions in Rugby tournaments outside India. Through these land marks of KISS, it is considered as a successful model and has been regarded as the largest tribal institute by Limca Book of Records and has received global attention. World class bodies like UNFPA, UNICEF, UNESCO, US Federal Government, and Bernard van Leer Foundation have been associated with the KISS. We are also setting up sister branches of KISS in Odisha and different parts of the country like Delhi, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, etc for the underprivileged children.

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

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 3. Designation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Institution/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 ..... Rs./US \$ ..... OR Depositing in Cash

**Date:** .....2015

**Signature of the delegate**

- Last date for receiving information regarding cancellation is 31st October 2015. In case of cancellation within the stipulated time 75% of the registration fee will be refunded. After 31st October 2015 there shall be no refund.
- Those who wish to have accommodation in a better Hotel than the one arranged by the local organizer are requested to send the requisite amount along with the registration fee.
- Delegates are requested to send, along with the registration fee, the prescribed charges per head for accompanying person(s).

## REPORTS OF RESEARCH COMMITTEES

### RC 01: THEORY, CONCEPT AND METHODOLOGY

Convenor: Prof. Manish Kumar Thakur

This year Research Committee -1 of Indian Sociological Society received a total of twenty-one abstracts twelve of which were presented during the conference during November 29 - December 1, 2014.

#### Panel Discussions

The highlight of RC 1 was the organization of three panel discussions that were organized on 29th and 30th of November, 2014. The first panel discussion was on 'Sociologies in the Global South: Emerging paradigms, approaches and methodologies'. The Panel comprised of Shruti Tambe, Pushpesh Kumar and Gita Chaddha. The second panel discussion was on "Operationalising Reflexivity, Placing the Autobiographical". Panelists included Rukmini Sen, Gita Chadha and Kamala Ganesh. The third panel discussion was on "Sociology of Caste and the Cast of sociology in India" and the panelists were Hira Singh, Ajay Choudhary and Sunil Babu C.T.

#### Papers presented

The presentations can be broadly organised around three themes (i) methodology (ii) development and (iii) hygiene and governmentality. Under the broad theme of methodology, Ankita Mookherjee presented her paper on "Mapping multiple paradigms on democracy in India: An exploration in sociology in India". Other papers were: "Between Objectivity and Subjectivity: Significance of the Concept of Experience and Methods of Interpretation in Sociological Research" (Urmi Bhattacharyya), "Grounded Theory As A Strategy Of Qualitative Research: An Attempt At Demystifying Its Intricacies" (Arya Priya), and "Towards a conceptualization of 'popular knowledge': understanding the possibilities of knowledge from below" (Sanjuna M). Under the rubric of development, Prakriti Aprajita presented a paper titled "When You're Happy and You Know it...: Understanding the Idea of Gross National Happiness under Bhutan's Development Paradigm". "The Ideas of 'Development': A Study of the Discourses through the Valley of Patakot, Madhya Pradesh" by Byasa Moharana and "Corruption: A Social Reality" by Hanamagouda were the other papers presented. Lastly, there were papers by Debolina Chatterjee: "Imprisonment, Healthcare And The State: A Sociological Analysis" and Subhendra Bhowmick: "Scatologising Hindu Eschatology: An (In)Auspicious Journey from Devalaya To Shauchalaya". The paper presentations and panel discussions were animated by engaging and insightful discussions by the participants. A total of sixteen new members were added in the RC this year. The RC -1 budget was discussed and approved. Manish Thakur was elected as the new convenor of the RC. The RC thanked the outgoing convenor V. Sujatha for her valuable contributions towards the strengthening of the RC -01.

### RC 02: FAMILY KINSHIP AND MARRIAGE

Convenor: Prof. Pramod Kumar Sharma

RC- 02 have in total 35 abstracts. Out of which 22 abstracts were in English and 13 abstracts were in hindi edited and sent to the organizing secretary for publishing in souvenir. In all 27 research papers were presented in three technical sessions held in the RC during 40th AISC-Varanasi. Number of members in RC -02 are increasing which is the positive aspect of RC. In the first session of RC 02, Chaired by Dr. T.B. Singh- head Dept of sociology, PPN College, Kanpur (UP), and rapportier was DR.J.L. Tiwari- Senior Lecturer, SOS in Sociology, Pt.RSU, 9 papers were presented and discussions were carried out covering all aspects of family kinship and marriage like issues related to cross-cousin marriages, honour killing etc. Further structural changes in family in recent years and other family issues were also focused.

#### List of presenters

1. Changing Attitude of Mate Selection (With special reference to Raipur)- Prof. P.K.Sharma, Head, School of Studies in Sociology, Pt. R.S.U. Raipur (C.G.)
2. Changes in Kinship Relationship in Rural Chattisgarh- Dr. J. T. Tiwari, Asstt. Professor, SOS in Sociology, Pt.RSU Raipur, Chhattisgarh
3. Honor Killing: Structural disparity in india-Susmita Singh, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, F.S.S; B.H.U. Aishwarya Singh, Research Scholar, Department of Sociology, F.S.S; B.H.U.
4. Cross-cousin marriages: the dynamics of continuity and changes- Gopal Krishan Sharma, Department of Sociology, University of Jammu, Jammu,
5. Natedari me asammit tantra- Dr. Krishna Kumar Asstt. Prof. Sociology Dept, PPN College Kanpur
6. Parivar ka paramparagat Dancha aur mahilapragatishilta- Manish Kumar Singh Research Scholar, Delhi University, Delhi.
7. Parivar Niyojan Vikash avam Adrishya hote Natedari Sambandh- Dr. Ravindra Bansal Asstt. Prof. Sociology Dept, Bareilly College Bareilly
8. Dr. Needhi Thakur – Shiksha aur samajik vikas.
9. Dr. Nister Kujur- Janjatiyon me jeevan sathi chunav ke badalte swarup.

In the second technical session 15 papers were presented the session was chaired by Prof. CSS Thakur Head Dept. of sociology, RD University, Jabalpur ( M.P) , Rapportier was Dr. N. Kujur, Senior Lecturer, SOS in Sociology, Pt.RSU . The session was honoured by the suggestion and discussion by Prof. Abha Awasthi- Ex- Convenor RC-02 and various issues viz Polyandry, globalization and single parent families, children's rights, daughter's attitude towards right to property were discussed.

#### List of Presenters

1. Development of society & the role of women in family - Dr (Mrs) Kusum Gautam, HOD (Sociology), Government Girls College, Damua Madhya Pradesh
2. Surrogacy in india: a sociological analysis - U.S. Srivastava, Govt. College Patharia, Mungeli (C.G.) K.J. Srivastava, Govt. College Patharia, Mungeli (C.G.)
3. Reviw on marriage, family and kinship in foreign countries - mt.Savitha S.Patil- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Government First Grade College, Halkoti- Gadag, Karnataka, India Smt. Sheela Tubachi- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Shri. Shanker Arts, Commerce College Navalgund, Dharwad, Karnataka, India
4. Recent challenges to institution of amily and marriage - Dr. Urmila Yadav ( SOL, Sharda University, Greater Noida)
5. Kinship: and internal diversified, democratic developing group - Dr. Rabindra Kumar Singh, Head (Sociology), Har Pratap Singh Yadav College, Handia, Allahabad
6. Polyandry marriages among ladakhi buddhist - Tsering Jolden (Research Scholar) University of Jammu
7. Children's rights in the context of changing family values in india: Issues and concern - Sutapa Ghosh Contractual Whole Time Teacher (CWTT), Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College
8. 8 family kinship and marriage - Dr.Sushma Mishra, Assistant Professor Sociology, DAV PG College, Varanasi
9. Globalization and increasing Single Parent Families in India Dr. Mujahid Ali, Jaipur
10. Patirik Sampatti me Malikana hak ke Prati Baley ka drishtikon : Ek Samajshastriya Adhyan - Dr. Sarita Singh Assistant Professor Sociology Deppt. Sri ganesh Rai P.G. College Dobhi Jaunpur.
11. Matriliny as diverse in practice. - Aleena Sebastian
12. Vartaman me ant parivarik samandho me parivartan. - Dr. Sailja Dubey
13. Sociological study of motivation for working women in work , satisfaction and family control - Ravi Prakash and Rakesh Kumar Tiwari
14. Socio- economic status of families availing reservation policy. - Ram Singh Uikay

15. Gramin mahilayon k shashaktikaran me jan achar madhyam ki bhoomika.  
Dr. Jyoti Tiwari

In the third session of RC - 02, 03 papers were presented. The session was chaired by Prof. Abha Awasthi, Lucknow University and Co-Chaired by Prof. P.K.Sharma and rapporteur was Dr. Krishna Kumar Yadav, PNN College Kanpur. and discussion took place on topic like Working women and factors facilitating family adjustment, changing facets of kinship relations in urban family.

### List of Presenters

1. Working women and factors involved in family adjustment - Dr.Sunita Pandey (Asst. Prof. in Department of Sociology, D.A.V College, Sector 10, Chandigarh)
2. Nagri Parivarik Nate- Sambandho ka Badalta Swaroop.
3. Dr.K.Maharajan- A family system of the Kanikkarg. A Sociological Study

All the sessions were very informative and useful for research scholars and academicians. The last session had business meeting in which seminar was planned to strengthen the RC. For RC NEWSLETTER various dimensions were worked out and to motivate young scholars best scholar presentation was also decided to carry out.

### RC 04: MIGRATION AND DIASPORA STUDIES

Convenor: Prof. Swati Shirwadkar

The inaugural session of the research committee on Migration and Diaspora Studies began with a welcome note by the Convener Professor Swati Shirwadkar. Out of total 34 abstracts of the papers were received by the RC-4, twenty two scholars presented their papers in different sessions. The papers were presented under following seven subthemes: (1) Diaspora, identities, transnational and national migration: challenges in education, labour and health (2) Diaspora and transnationalism: culture, ethnicity, politics and capital (3) Migration, change and development : conceptual issues, trends and impact (4) Impact of migration on rural India: some institutional challenges (5) Migration, disparities and exclusion (6) Displacement, belonging and collective violence: culture and reflections (7) Ethnicity and Diasporic identities: narratives from Diasporic literature.

The studies presented in the RC ranged from conceptual issues to developing models with large data and longitudinal studies, insights from qualitative research and case studies to findings from surveys conducted in different parts of India and other countries. Apart from scholars drawn from different universities and institutes within India, the paper presenters also included renowned scholars from Finland, France and researchers from Germany and other countries. The sessions were chaired by Prof. Swati Shirwadkar, Prof. Kamla Ganesh, Dr. Aditya Raj and co-convener, Muneer Illath. Eminent experts in the area of Diaspora and migration, Prof. Margaret Abraham, Prof. Rajaram, Prof. Kamala Ganesh shared their insightful comments and suggestions on the research papers presented in the different sessions of the RC. Prof. R. Indira and Prof. Smita Awachar visited as observers of the Managing Committee in the different RC sessions. The RC meeting held during the concluding session charted the future plan of the committee. Dr. Aditya Raj agreed to be the secretary for RC-4. The RC meeting has resolved to hold mid-term workshops. Creating a discussion platform through e-media or forming a discussion group is also to be explored.

### RC 06: RELIGION AND RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES

Convenor: Dr.Sudha Sitharaman

'RC 06 Religion and Religious Communities' was organised in three sessions in room No 103 of the Commerce and Management Building. 32 research papers were accepted for presentation and 26 papers were presented in these different sessions and they were discussed in detail. Papers articulated the so-called 'return of religion' in the public sphere, laying bare the reconfigurations of the religion in the secular/modern India. Most papers presented were based on ethnographic work conducted in various places in India; they focused attention on the many lives of religion, the role of social context in reading the scriptures, claims of 'true'/'authentic' knowledge by groups; community activism and participation; visitation and commemoration of historic-religious saints; histories of temples/shrines; and identities experienced and expressed. The emergence of the modern concept of religion and its relegation to the private sphere under the regime of modern governance; the relationship between religious traditions and how movements, both religious and secular, address and mediate the inherent malleability of the world as they aim to transform the self and the world were discussed in the course of the presentations. The study of local manifestation of religion, relevance of interdisciplinary approach, the need to problematize religion based identity assertions, and revitalisation movements were also discussed. Undergirding the themes were conceptual/methodological issues in the sociology of religion. They emphasised the need for dismantling existing frameworks such as 'tradition and modernity', 'little and great tradition' and 'scriptural and popular' religion etc.,

A mid-term national seminar was organised by the co-convenor of the RC, Dr.Anindita Chakraborty on 15 and 16 October 2014 at IIT Kanpur, titled Religion, Law and Secularity. Many of the framing terms such as tradition and modernity or text and context were explored and exceeded by the contributors of the seminar.

### RC 09: DALITS AND BACKWARD CLASSES

Convenor: Prof.R.N.Salve

First Day-29 Nov, 2014

Session No-I: Dalit: Change and Development in India

- A) In this session only 06 papers are presented This session chaired by Prof.B.C.Barik
- B) Professor Parvathamma memorial Lecture - Prof .D.Shrikant delivered the prof. Parvathamma memorial Lecture  
This session was chaired by Prof.H.M.Vasanthamma.

Second Day: 30Nov, 2014

Session No-II: Diversity: Backward Classes in India

- A) In this session 15 papers are presented This session chaired by Dr. JaganKarade
- B) Presented the balance sheet of 2013-2014 of RC.9 before the RC members and they have to accepted

Third Day 1st December, 2014

Session No-III: Dr.B.R.Ambedkar and Democracy

- A) In this session 08 papers are presented This session chaired by Prof.D.Shrikant  
Total papers presented is 29

### Best paper presentations among young Sociologist RC-9 in 2013

- 1) 1st prize winner is ShriRabindrakumar
- 2) 2nd prize winner is Shri Samirkumar
- 3) 3rd prize winner is Shri Raghu kumar.N

All the sessions closed with intensive and vote of thanks



**RC 10: GENDER STUDIES****Convenor: Prof. Abha Chauhan**

In all 58 abstracts were received and published in the Book of Abstracts and 54 papers were presented in the 5 technical sessions of RC 10 Gender Studies at the XL All India Sociological Conference held at Varanasi between November 29th – December 1st, 2014. The 5 Technical Sessions were:

1. Caste, Patriarchy and Religion - Chair: Prof. Abha Chauhan
2. Empowerment, Development and Panchayati Raj- Chair: Dr. Arvinder Ansari
3. Women, Work and Economy: Chair: Prof. A. Satyanarayan
4. Health and Education: Prof. Madhu Nagla
5. Violence Against Women: Prof. Biswajit Ghosh

All the sessions were interactive and very well attended by large number of participants. The highlight of RC 10 was that its' session was attended by Prof. Margaret Abraham, President, International Sociological Association (ISA). She also spoke during the session highlighting the activities of ISA and how we should make Indian Sociological Society and gender studies more visible at the international forum.

**Business Meeting** of RC 10 was held on 30th November, 2014 at 4.00 pm.

The Convenor informed the members about the following activities of RC 10 in the year 2014:

1. National Seminar was organized on Gender and Violence: A Challenge for Equitable Society at Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi on 15th -16th October 2014. The seminar was jointly organized by RC 10, ISS and Dept. of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia. Prof. Abha Chauhan was the Convenor, Dr. Arvinder Ansari was the Organizing Secretary and Mr. Imtiaz Ahmed was the Co-convenor of the seminar. In 5 Technical Sessions, 42 papers were presented during the two-day seminar, besides the Inaugural and Valedictory Sessions.
2. Book on 'Gender and Health' was brought out as decided in the last conference at Mysore. The book is edited by Dr. Jyoti Prasad Saikia, Dibrugarh University, Assam, an active member of RC 10 and was released at the Valedictory function of the Conference by Prof. Margaret Abraham, President, International Sociological Association and other dignitaries.
3. RC Newsletter for the year 2013 was brought out and circulated among the members. The same was also sent through electronic mail to all the members.
4. During the XL AISC at Varanasi 35 new members joined RC 10 making the total to 210 members.

**Elections:**

Election to different positions was held during the business team and a new team was elected as follows:

1. Convenor: Dr. Shweta Prasad, Dept. of Sociology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.
2. Co-convenor: Dr. Jyoti Prasad Saikia, Dept. of Sociology, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam.
3. Secretary: Dr. Kameshwar Singh, Bihar
4. Treasurer: Dr. T. B. Singh, Uttar Pradesh

**Executive Committee Members**

1. Dr. N.K. Singh, Uttar Pradesh
2. Dr. Arvinder Ansari, New Delhi
3. Dr. Shital Tamakuwala, Gujarat
4. Dr. Rajni Bala, Punjab
5. Dr. Shailja, Karnataka
6. Dr. Aneesa Shafi, Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir

**RC 11 - ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY****Convenor: Prof. S.C. Rajora**

Thirty seven abstracts of the papers were listed in RC 11 for 40th AISC Varanasi and published in the souvenir, out of these 23 papers were actually presented in three technical sessions. A business session was also organised to elect the new executive for the next term.

Most of the papers were presented through PPT and were mainly focused at the current phenomenon related to Clean India Campaign (defecation free country). Papers were based on the field studies and titled as; management of solid waste, total sanitation campaign, clean village campaign, & environmental awareness, environment and sanitation, issues of development and problems of pollution, role of NGOs in environmental protection and the Hindu religious ethics and environment. Some papers were focussed at environmental hazards in industries, salinity and health issues and social practices & environmental degradation.

Actual presentations were made by 23members; hence all could be managed properly by giving enough time for presentations, discussion, observations, comments and suggestions along with the fruitful remarks of the chair persons. The technical sessions were chaired respectively by Prof. B.K. Nagla, Prof. R.B. Patil and Prof. S.C. Rajora.

During business session the new executive of RC 11 was constituted by common consensus of the existing members. The structure of the new executive shall be as under:

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**Member:** Dr. Deba Prasad Chatterji, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, Maulana Azad College, Calcutta, email [debaprashad@rediffmail.com](mailto:debaprashad@rediffmail.com)

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**Member:** Dr. Ananata Kumar Biswas, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, The University of Burdwan, **email** [anantabiswas@yahoo.co.in](mailto:anantabiswas@yahoo.co.in)

During the business meeting the account of membership of RC 11 was presented by the convener, Prof. S.C. Rajora. According to the existing list there are total 68 members and 22 members are supposed to renew their membership. The charge of this RC is being handed over to the new executive.

A website of RC 11 has already been created (**RC11 Environment n Society ISS**), beside that it was proposed to start a NEWS LETTER and to explore to organise a midterm INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR during session 2014-15.

It was also put on record that a midterm National seminar on "ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND SOCIAL CONCERNS", with interdisciplinary approach, was organised by RC 11, at Department of Social Sciences, University of Kota, Kota (Rajasthan) on March 21-22, 2014. Three hundred delegates, from seven states (**Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Delhi, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Rajasthan**) were registered for participation and 115 research papers were actually presented in 12 different technical sessions. The abstracts of all papers were published in a Souvenir (**a copy of the Souvenir was presented to President ISS, Prof. Ananad Kumar at JNU during RC convener's meeting**). The seminar became memorable in many ways like; a cultural programme presented by a team of Sahriya Tribe (the original inhabitants of Shahbad), further an interaction programme with Bio-diversity was also arranged (with the help of forest officials) for all delegates by way of a full day lecture demonstration visit at Ranthambore National Tigre Reserve Sanctuary (Sawaimadhopur).

### RC-12 POPULATION, HEALTH AND SOCIETY

Convener: Dr. M. Akram

There were sixty five abstracts submitted for presentation in Rc 12. Out of these, 42 papers were presented in five sessions. The five sessions addressed different themes like Health care services, health policies and programmes, health inequalities and exclusions, population concerns, and contemporary issues. The sessions were chaired by various experts like Prof. Madhu Nagla, Prof. P S Vivek, Prof. Pundhir, Prof. Saleem, Dr. M. Akram & Dr. Mahapatra.

The new executive got elected for next two years (2015-16) in a business session of Rc 12. The names of the elected members along with the names of the posts are given here. Dr. Amarendra Mahapatra, (Scientist- E, RMR, ICMR, Bhubaneswar) is elected as Convener. Prof. Shauketh Azim (Co-Convener), Dr. M. Thamilasaran (Secretary), Prof. P S Vivek, Dr. S M Dey, Dr. Vatika Sibal, Dr. N R Kahlon, Mr. Zulufkar Khanday and Dr. M. Akram got elected as members of the executive. Newly elected convener and other members thanked Dr. M. Akram for nurturing Rc 12 in a meaningful way during his tenure as Convener.

### RC 13: SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY

Convener: Dr. Madhav Govind

This year 46 papers were accepted under the RC-13, out of which 31 papers were presented over three sessions during 40th AISC at Varanasi. The first session was on: Technology and Development, and papers covering the issues related to the application of science and technology for development, surveillance, bridging the inequality and digital divide and how the uncertainty in weather forecasting is affecting the agriculture and plantation in the country were presented. The second session was organized jointly with RC-24 on a common theme: Detached Together: Daily Life of Youth and the Cyber World. Prof Bula Bhadra, convener RC-24 and Dr Madhav Govind, Convener RC-13 initiated the debate and the three invited speakers, Prof Vinod Chandra, Dr Ashish Saxena, and Dr Manoj Jena presented their critical analysis on virtual social life of youth and the emerging issues of our contemporary society. Their presentations evoke interesting responses from the audience. The third session was thematized on ICT Revolution and the Social World and was chaired by Prof Bipul Kumar Bhadra. Scholars in their paper raised the issues related to the relevance of techno-scientific education, impact of online social networking, online marketing, mobile commerce, health hazards of mobile phone and problems of electronic waste etc.

The fourth session was on: "Technology, Health and Gender Issues" and was chaired by Prof R. Rajesh. The major issues of this session were: reproductive health, surrogacy, body modification, online love and intimacy, gender and technology, disability and sexuality, and ethical issues in stem cell research.

In its business session RC members unanimously elected Prof Bipul Kumar Bhadra (Jadavpur University, Kolkata) as the convener and Dr. Pradeep Swarnkar (AB IMT, Gwalior) as the co-convener and Dr Kingsook Saha (Kaliachak B.K.A. S.Mahavidyalaya, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal) as the treasurer of RC-13 for two years-2015-16. The house also elected three EC members of the RC. These members are: (1) Prof R. Rajesh, Bangalore University, Bangalore, (2) Dr Manoj Kumar Jena, Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi, (4) Dr Madhav Govind, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

### RC 15: SOCIAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT

Convener: Prof. Govardhan Ram

In the 40th All India Sociological Conference organized by the Department of Sociology, Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth, Varanasi, during Nov 29-30 & Dec 1, 2014, the RC 15 organized five technical sessions, in all, for presentation of papers. The session I & II had two parallel meetings, each (Session-A and B). The Session-A was held in the Auditorium at the Ground Floor and the Session-B was held in the Committee Hall at the First Floor of the Department of Gandhi Adhyayanpeeth in Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapeeth, Varanasi. In, all 123 abstracts were received and 95 papers were presented in the sessions of the RC. The number of RC's current members is 194.

The sessions were chaired by Prof P N Pandey, Varanasi, Prof B N Prasad, Patna, Dr. Bishwambhar Panda, NEHU, Dr Chura Giri, Assam, Dr. D. K. Singh, BHU, Dr.Sampat Kale, ISS, and Dr. Pradeep Meshram, Bhandara. The rapporteurs in the sessions were Dr. Ayesha Afsana- Assam University, Vikash Kumar- BHU, Swati Singh- BHU, Sarika Pandey- B.H.U, Dr Manish Tiwar-, Varanasi, Rajani Singh-Varanasi, Dr. Anupama Pandey- Varanasi and Pallavi Agarwal, Varanasi.

The RC's Convener is Prof G. Ram, Department of Sociology, Assam University, Silchar, and two Co-convener (NEW) are (i) Prof Anirban Banerjee, Deptt of Sociology, The University of Burdwan, West Bengal, and (ii) Dr D K Singh, Assistant Professor, Benaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

### RC 16: URBAN AND INDUSTRIAL STUDIES

Convener : Dr. Pranjal Sharma

RC - 16 received 26 abstracts and 27 papers were presented during three technical sessions. Prof. J. Krishnamurthy, Prof. P.S. Vivek and Dr. Pranjal Sarma chaired the sessions. The main issues discussed during the sessions can broadly be divided into three issues: Cities and Urban space, industries and management of organizations.

The topic covered are spatial inequality in Urban India, Inclusion of women leaders in urban setting, East Indian communities in Mumbai city, Identities, socio – spatial Structure of City, Problems of Adolescent pregnancy in Slum Area, Street Vendors in Mumbai, power loom workers, Indian banking sector, Problem of sick industry, accidents in industry, issues and challenges of tourism Industry, workers Participation in Trade Union Activities, Work life of middle class women, Hand-embroidery work, The role of Handicrafts, Corporate Social Responsibilities and so on. RC sessions generated productive discussions among the participants. Also a special lecture on 'Disability and every day negotiations in urban spaces in India' was believed by Prof. Nilika Mehrotra of JNU on the 2nd technical session on 30th November 2014.

A good number of senior sociologists, junior sociologists as well as research scholars took active part in the discussions of every technical session.

**RC 17: SOCIAL MOVEMENTS**

Convener : Prof. D.R.Sahu

Research committee was thematically divided into four technical sessions along with a business meeting. Out of 50 selected abstracts 27 papers were presented. In its 2nd technical session, Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, National Fellow, ICSSR, and treasurer, Indian Sociological Society delivered 3rd A. R. Desai memorial lecture on " The question of ideology and choice of violent means: Exploring the self legitimizing trajectories of social movements" The session was chaired by Prof. Rajesh Misra, Lucknow University.

Prof. Dilip Khaimar , Aurangabad presented the paper and chaired the 1st technical session and Dr. Gayatri Bhattacharya, Calcutta University presented her paper and chaired the third session Dr. Rohit Jain, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai presented his paper and chaired the concluding session and the papers were presented on specific people's movements on the issues of rape, violence against women, religious reforms and dalit atrocities.

The session concluded with a business meeting in which convener invited all RC members to participate in RC - 48 on Social movements, Collective action and Social change of International Sociological Association in the forthcoming inter congress of ISA in Vienna 2016. The members also proposed to bring out volume by selecting presented papers in the RC since beginning.

**RC 18: SOCIOLOGY OF CRIME AND DEVIANCE**

Convener: Prof. Ramesh H. Makwana

Co-convener: Dr. R.K Mohanty

The papers presented in RC-18 of ISS and the theme of the sessions under this RC during 40th AISC at Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith , Varanasi pertained to Sociology of Crime & Deviance. Out of 32 papers printed in the Book of Abstracts, 25 papers were presented during the three consecutive technical sessions, Commencing with a session on 29th November 2014. Prof. Ramesh Makwana, Convener RC-18 gave introductory remarks expressing his satisfaction about gradual increase in the number of members and paper readers. Prof. Anirban Banerjee, Dept. of Sociology, Budwan University, West Bengal was the Chief Guest who expressed serious concerns about criminalization of student politics in Bengal. Dr. R.K Mohanty, Co-Convener addressed the audience on preparing the criminological research agenda through rightful survey of literature under the article, Methodological and thematic heads.

The sessions had a gamut of papers from different areas such as crime, corruption and Development, Crime against Girls child, women harassment, Technology and crime, honor killing cyber crime, objectification and dismemberment of women in the media, criminality among teenagers, hate crime, youth and crime and juvenile delinquency etc. Out of 25 paper presenters, 06 were young Research Scholars and 19 regular faculties from around the states of the country. The sessions were chaired respectively by Prof. Umadevi Andhra University, Dr. Amita Das, Dept of Sociology, Ravenshaw University, Dr. Jasmine Damle, Tata Institute of Social Science, Mumbai. The research importance of each of the topic, origin, nature, causes, sociological implications and consequences were deliberated upon. This generated many views and suggestions from eminent experts present. On the whole, the R.C. deliberations were fruitful and meaningful.

**Special Activities of RC-18:**

- (1) We have published one edited book of best research papers which are presented in RC-18 entitled "**Contemporary Crime in Indian Society**"
- (2) We have also published news letter of RC-18, Academic year 2013-14.
- (3) In near future we will plan to organize one National Seminar under RC-18 AISS at Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- (4) In RC- 18 we have total 20 members while last year 12 more members got membership of RC-18.

**RC 19: SOCIOLOGY OF AGEING**

Convener: Prof. Arvind Kumar Joshi

The RC-19 (Sociology of Ageing) received 55 papers among which 30 papers were presented. The papers covered various aspects of sociology of ageing such as Impact of Life-Transition, Contemporary Intergenerational Bonds, Psycho-Social Problems, Elder Abuse, Social Security, Graceful Ageing etc. Four sessions were conducted and were chaired by Prof. A.K. Joshi, Prof. J.J. Kattakayam, Prof. U.B. Singh and Prof. Sudeshna Basu Mukherjee. Around 15 members were present in each session. Papers were presented in English as well as in Hindi based on the data obtained from primary as well as secondary sources. Each presentation was followed by a question- answer session. A special lecture was delivered by Prof. J. J. Kattakayam and he was honoured by the RC Convener Prof. A.K. Joshi.

Major suggestions emerged during the sessions were that there should be the facility of tax rebate for those tax payers who properly take care of their elderly parents, coverage of social security schemes to the elderly people should be increased, healthy and active life-style should be promoted for successful ageing and youth should be more adaptive and sensitized towards the elderly.

Furthermore, four best paper awards were given to the presenters namely Saheli Guha Neogi, Dr. Pawan Kumar, Shubham Shree and Neetu Batra. Election of office bearers was held on 30th November 2014 and Prof. U.B. Singh has been elected as convener, Prof. Sudeshna Basu Mukherjee as Co-Convener and Dr. Pawan Kumar as Treasurer for 2015-16 session. The sessions were finally concluded by Prof. A.K. Joshi.

**RC 20: LEISURE AND TOURISM**

Convener: Dr. Vishesh Kumar Gupta

RC-20, Leisure and Tourism conducted three technical sessions and one business session. Two special lectures were also delivered. One lecture was delivered by Prof Madhu Nagla, MD University, Rohtak on New Emerging Issues of Leisure and Tourism. Second lecture was delivered by Dr Vinod Kumar Chaudhary from Darbhanga on New dimensions of Leisure and Tourism in Bihar.

RC-20 originally received 38 papers of which 35 papers were presented. All these papers covered a variety of issues like gender identity in tourism and leisure, changing nature of pilgrimage, importance of local and regional tourism, variety of cultural, religious faith and spiritual tourism etc. Participants raised a variety of issues through their analytical and empirical papers.

The sessions were chaired by Prof B.S. Gulshetty, Gulberga, Dr Vishesh Kr Gupta, Moradabad, Dr B.K. Singh, Muzzaferpur, Prof Madhu Nagla, Rohtak, Dr Kalinath Jha, Sagar, Dr Vinita Singh, Ranchi and Dr Gyanendra Yadav, Patna. All the sessions convened by the Convener, Dr Vishesh Gupta.

In the second day, a business session was also organized. In this session a new Executive Committee was formed. Dr Kalinath Jha from Sagar was elected as new Convener and Dr Vinita Singh as Co-Convener. Dr B.S Gulshetty from Gulberga was elected Secretary. Prof Madhu Nagla from Rohtak, Dr Vishesh Kr Gupta from Moradabad, Dr Birender Kr Singh from Muzzaferpur, Dr Dhananjay Sontalke and Luxmi Peria Swamy from Mumbai were elected as Executive Members. It was also decided to launch a Website of RC-20 and to release a news Letter continuously in future. In the end, house has given thanks to the Convener Dr Vishesh Gupta for running RC-20 in well manner for consequent four years.

**RC 21: SOCIAL PROBLEMS AND MARGINALIZED GROUPS****Convenor: Prof. S.N. Chaudhary****First Technical session****Chair : Dr.C.Venkatachalam, Professor and Head,  
Department of Sociology, Periyar  
University, Salem****Presenters:**

1. Dr.T.Rajendran:Plight of elders living in families in Rural Areas of Tamil Nadu
2. Dr. Rakesh Rai:Dual Marginality of Scheduled castes and scheduled tribes women in Naxal affected areas: A Study of Sonbhadra District of U.P
3. Prof. Shankamma.B.Badami:Problems of Industrialization and Urbanization
4. Dr.C.Venkatachalam:Socio-Economic Conditions of Scheduled Caste Landless Women Agricultural Labourers: Empirical Study in Veerapandi block, Salem District of Tamil Nadu
5. Chingabam Newgold Devi:Gender Diversity, Inequality and Development
6. E.M. Ashoka and Others:SHGs and Socio-Economic Development of Rural Women

**Second Technical session****Chair : Prof. Gyanendra Gautam,  
Department of Sociology,  
Barkatullah University, Bhopal****Presenters:**

1. डॉ० (कु०) शशि जायसवाल:आधुनिक परिवार एवं सामान्य सामाजिक समस्याएँ : महिलाओं के विरुद्ध घरेलू हिंसा के विशेष संदर्भ में
2. डॉ. अनिता धुर्वे:जनजाति महिलाओं के सामाजिक-आर्थिक विकास के विभिन्न आयाम
3. डॉ. मनीष मिश्रा:आदिवासी विकास में ग्राम सभा की भूमिका : मध्यप्रदेश के विशेष संदर्भ में
4. मनोज कुमार शर्मा:आदिवासी महिलाओं के आर्थिक स्थिति में प्रगति का यथार्थ : मध्यप्रदेश के आदिवासी महिलाओं के विशेष संदर्भ में
5. नीरज कुमार:परंपरागत चिकित्सा पद्धति में निरंतरता एवं परिवर्तन का अध्ययन: मध्यप्रदेश की गोंड एवं कोरकू जनजाति के विशेष संदर्भ में
6. लिमाथियस एवका:विकास एवं जनजातिय महिलाओं के विरुद्ध अपराध
7. संदीप कुमार मिश्रा:आदिवासियों में मानव विकास संकेतकों की स्थिति : मध्यप्रदेश के इरदा जिले के कोरकू जनजाति के विशेष संदर्भ में

**Third Technical session****Chair : Prof. Ajit Pandey, Department of Sociology,  
Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi****Presenters:**

1. Barsa Priyadarsinee Sahoo:Childhood at Risk: An Analysis of the Determinants of Child Labour
2. Dr. Neelu Rawat:Role of Tribal Women in Sustaining Family Economy: Status and Challenges (With special reference to Gonds of Betul district of Madhya Pradesh)
3. Ms.Nilima V.Dawane:Marginal Groups and Indian Rural Problems
4. Sunil Kumar Yadav:Recent Trends in Sociological Investigation of Primitive Tribal Groups

5. Vishnu Priya.R.Y & Jithin.P.V:Conceptual Analysis of Transgender
6. Ph. D. Scholar:Third Gender and Marginalization: A Sociological Study of Hijras in Jammu Region
7. Navdeep Kaur:Crime against humanity: Modern day slaveries violating human rights
8. Suraj Mohani:Widows and their Rights: A Study among Widows in Kathua district of Jammu and Kashmir
9. Laxmi Singh:Dowry System is Social problems in India

**Fourth Technical session****Chair : Prof. R. Shankar, Bhartidashan University,  
Trichi, Tamil Nadu****Presenters:**

1. Rinki Chokhani:Education for all: A Rhetoric or Reality
2. Mrs.Kanak Lata Samal:Teaching Caste in Under Graduate Classes
3. Gulnaz Fatima.Disabled Or Differently Abled?:A Sociological Study Of Changing Social Values And Aspirations Among Visually Challenged Children
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6. Dr. Samapika Mohapatra:Development, Displacement, Tribal Resistance and Protests: A Case of Kalinga Nagar Industrial Complex in Odisha
7. Mudasir Yousuf:Social Development of Disabled Women in J&K.(Perspective from Social exclusion and discrimination)
8. Samir Kumar Mahapatra:Understanding Religious Conversion of Dalits.

**RC 23- SOCIOLOGY OF LAW****Convenor: Dr. Rashmi Jain**

The RC received a total of 28 abstracts and thirteen papers were presented in four sessions. In session I, chaired by Dr. Sujit Surroch, Government College, Bajnath three papers were presented, Dr Surroch helped in thought provoking discussion during paper presentations. Dr. Kewal Krishan's paper entitled "Atrocities vis-à-vis developmental strategies for scheduled caste in H.P." highlighted the developmental programs for SC in Himachal Pradesh and resultant institutional changes and development. Mr. Amar Singh presented his views on "Bhartiya Loktantra: Samajshatriya Pariprekshya". Dr. Indira Srivastava's paper "Right to Information and Good Governance" examined right to information as a tool for step towards good governance.

The second session, on 30 November 2014, had three paper presentations. The session was chaired by Dr. C. A. Somashekharappa, Professor, Karnataka University, Dharwad. Dr Sujit Surroch's paper entitled "Social Exclusion of SC in Tribal Areas: A Case Study of Himachal Pradesh" drew attention towards the traditional practices, tribal identities and exclusion of SC's in tribal communities and its effect on continuation and transformation of hierarchy in tribes of HP. Ruchee Moorti Singh's paper "Unheard Voices of the Van Gujjar Community" examined the social movement taken up by the van gujjar for their inclusion in Rajaji National Park area. Dr. Shikha Sharma's paper on "Labour standards and women's rights" threw light on the dilemmas that women labourers face while opting for collective action/ trade unions in a developing country like India.

The third session was chaired by Dr. Kewal Krishan, Government College, Baijnath. It had three paper presentations. Dr. Anju Bala Sharma highlighted the "Deepening Roots of Corruption in India" and spelled out the major issues. Neena Rosy Kahlon and Ravinder Kaur focused on "Cultural Aspects of Inheritance Rights" by highlighting role of patriarchy and culture in marginalizing women from property inheritance. Dr. Tamilarasu presented his views on psyche imprisonment.

The last and fourth session, had four paper presentations. Prof. C. A. Somashekharappa presented his paper "Lok Adalat as an Alternative to Judicial System" highlighting the structural functional analysis of the Janta Nyalaya in Karnataka. Dr. Subhashchandra Natikar's paper examined "Civil Rights Violation and its Prevention" in Karnataka. Dr. Chandrashekhar B focused on role of lokayukts in dealing with beauracracic corruption in his paper entitled Beauracracic corruption and the lokayukt: A case of Karnataka". Dr. Hanumagauda, C. discussed the behavior and practices of corruption act in his paper "Prevention of Corruption Act: Some Observations".

Young research scholars have been making efforts to explore new paradigms and that was reflected in the healthy discussion followed by every presentation.

## RC 24- SOCIOLOGY OF CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH

Convenor: Prof. Bula bhadra

This is our first meet as full-fledged RC after two years of being an AD-hoc group, at 40TH AISC in MAHATMA GANDHI KASHI VIDYAPITH, VARANASI. Although we received 20 abstracts, in three sessions we had 17 presentations covering different aspects of Sociology of Childhood and Youth e.g. socialization, roles of families and parenting, Education, schooling system and impact on children, children and parent's construction of risk, and safety, conceptions of beauty and femininity among girl child, Sports as a vehicle of empowering girl children, Career choices and youth, Networked youth, Youth and Bollywood films, Band music, social exclusions and youth, and of course, street children, child labour and Right to Education. The sessions were chaired by Prof. Arvinder A. Ansari, Dept. of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, Dr. Ashish Saxena, Dept. of Sociology, University of Allahabad and Dr. Piyali Sur, Dept. of Sociology, Jadavpur University, Kolkata. We had a Round Table on "Detached Together: Daily Life of Youth and the Cyber World" Chaired by Prof. Bula Bhadra and the Panelists were Dr. Ashish Saxena of Allahabad, Dr Vinod Chandra of Patna and Dr. Madav Govind of JNU and Dr. Monoj K. Jena from Jamia Millia Islamia. There was a very lively and stimulating discourse among the participants. The whole process was intellectually challenging and gratifying. We have already registered our website and the domain name of the website is [sociologyofchildhoodandyouth.org](http://sociologyofchildhoodandyouth.org) and it will very soon be operational as and when ISS website is linked with us. We have planned to launch a Newsletter, preferably an E-Newsletter if funding can be arranged.

The RC has submitted 20% of the RC fees collected to the ISS office at Varanasi



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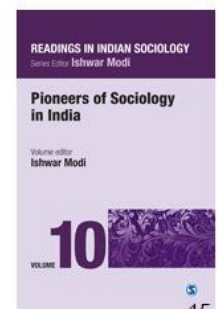
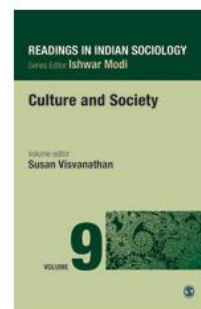
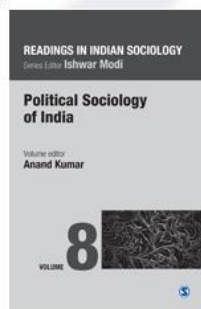
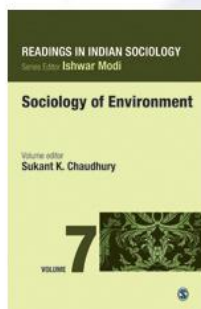
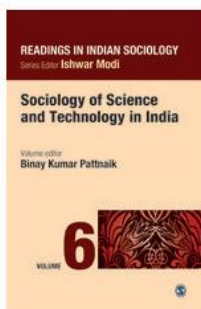
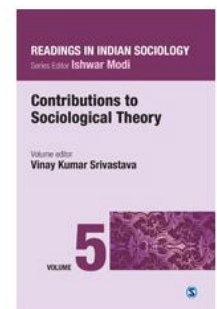
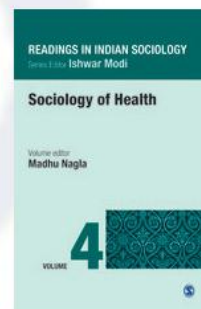
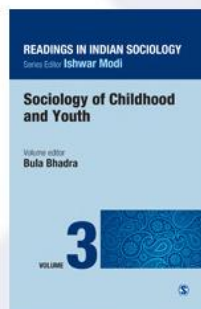
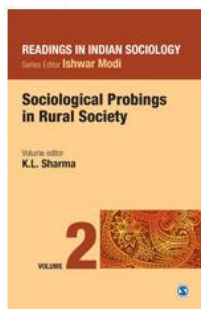
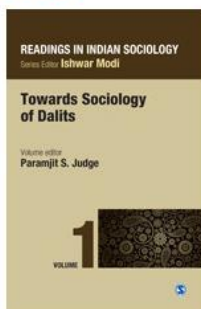
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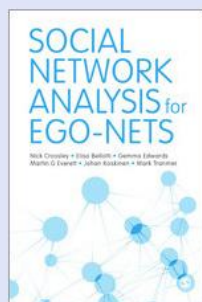
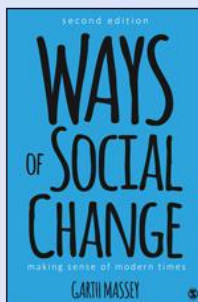
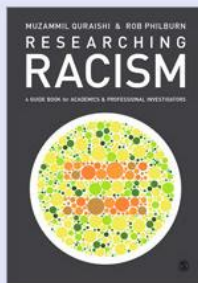
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