

Announcement 1:

Thirty Fifth Annual Conference :

The Thirty Fifth Annual Conference of IASP will be held at **Chaudhary Ranbir Singh Institute of Social and Economic Change, M .D. University, Rohtak during December 15-17, 2013.** *Prof P. K. Bhargava* will be the local organizing secretary. The conference would have plenary sessions and presentation of invited and contributed research papers and posters on the themes listed below:

1. Fertility and Family Planning
2. Population and Ageing
3. Mortality and Health
4. Migration and Urbanization
5. Population and sustainable development
6. National Food Security Bill and MDGs
7. Health Management Information System: Content, Quality and Utilization
8. Demographic dividend: Evidence from the Indian States
9. Population Projections
10. Demographic Data and Analysis
11. Marriage and family
12. Adolescent and Young Adult: Sexual and Reproductive Health needs
13. Burden of Disease and Premature Mortality
14. Emerging Concerns in Low Fertility Population in India
15. Universal Health Coverage in India: Challenges Ahead
16. Population and Development in Haryana

The IASP members who have been actively involved in multi disciplinary research on population, development and environment are encouraged to share their thoughts, views and research findings on the sub themes listed above. The members are requested to contribute papers/posters on any of the sub themes. The paper/poster may identify gaps and/ or suggest ways and means to improve the programmes aimed at improving the health status or achieving the MDGs in India. It could be a case study documenting best practices or based on primary or secondary data at district, state or national level or it might raise some of the methodological issues of significance. It could also be review of the existing policies and

programmes. The paper must bring out the emerging issues in line with the main theme of the conference.

The modalities for submission of the papers and posters are broadly as follows:

Prepare your abstract for paper/poster on one of the sub themes. The abstract should be up to 250 words. The abstract of the papers should be directly uploaded on the IASP website. If there is any problem in uploading the abstract of the paper on website the it should be sent as word document to the General Secretary as an email attachment on the Email ID: **rohtakiasp2014@gmail.com**. PDF attachments will not be accepted. The last date for submission of abstract is October 20, 2013. An expert committee will review and select the papers/posters to be presented at the conference. The authors whose paper/poster get selected will be intimated by October 28, 2013. The volume of selected abstracts will be brought out and distributed during the conference. Due to paucity of funds, all authors of the selected papers are requested to try to manage for TA/DA from their parent institutions. IASP will try to mobilize funds to meet the travel expenses of those authors who are not able to manage their travel allowance (TA) from their institution and apply well in advance to IASP. To and fro travel expenses by the shortest train route from their head quarters to Rohtak by AC-3 Tier would be reimbursed to a few selected authors who seek the travel support. In case of such travel award, the train booking for both ways will have to be arranged by the awardees themselves. Please note that no claim will be entertained without photocopy of the tickets in support of TA. The members, whose papers are not selected or who have not submitted the paper, but wish to attend the conference, are welcome to do so at their own travel expenses. However, local hospitality will be provided to them. The members who desire to come with family will have to get all accompanying members registered so that the food and stay expenses can be borne by the IASP.

The decision to participate in the conference should be intimated latest by November 10, 2013.

Other details regarding the conference and stay arrangement will be communicated to the participants of the conference in due course.

Announcement 2:
Dr. C. Chandrasekharan Award

Papers on the conference theme are invited from young members (below 30 years of age) for the Dr. Chandrasekharan award. The papers selected by the Screening Committee would be invited for presentation during the Annual Conference. The eligible members are requested to send the abstract by **October 20, 2013** (through email as word document along with age proof) and full paper by **October 26, 2013** to the **General Secretary, IASP (rohtakiasp2014@gmail.com)**. The author of the selected paper would be intimated by first week of November, 2013. The first and the second best papers will be presented with Dr. Chandrasekharan Award during the annual conference. The young scholars whose papers are selected will be reimbursed up to maximum AC-3 Tier train fare for their travel if requested in advance. Please note that the paper should not be of joint authorship.

Announcement 3:
K B Pathak Memorial Award

The annual award in memory of Prof K B Pathak would be presented in the annual conference of IASP to the author of the best paper in the field of Population and Health with significant contribution in terms of methodological innovation. The papers must have been published in any refereed journal on Population/Demography and Health in the past two years. The author must be below 40 years of age. The papers along with age proof must be sent to the General Secretary of IASP (Department of Statistics, Faculty of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi - 221 005) before November 15, 2013.

Looking forward to your active participation in the conference.