

THE SIXTY-FIRST CONVOCATION



Prof. K.S. James, Director and Senior Professor Presenting Director's Report

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Editors' Desk

Warm Greetings!

This issue covers the activities of IIPS held during January to June 2019, which also includes the Sixty First Convocation of IIPS held on 10th May, 2019. The editorial team takes this opportunity to congratulate all the students who have passed out and extend best wishes for their success in all their future endeavors.

The editorial team looks forward to the continued support, contribution and suggestions on the IIPS News Letter. For any feedback/ query please contact the publication cell at publicationcell@iips.net

Editorial Team

Vision: "To position IIPS as a premier teaching and research institution in population sciences responsive to emerging national and global needs based on values of inclusion, sensitivity and rights protection."

Mission: "The institute will strive to be a centre of excellence on population, health and development issues through high quality education, teaching and research. This will be achieved by (a) creating competent professionals, (b) generating and disseminating scientific knowledge and evidence, (c) collaboration and exchange of knowledge, and (d) advocacy and awareness."

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTY-FIRST CONVOCATION

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Number of students received Degree / Diploma in the year of 2018-19

Course Name	Number of Students
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Population Studies/Bio-statistics & Demography	32
Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in Population Studies/Bio-statistics & Demography	45
Master of Population Studies (M.P.S.)	45
Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Bio- statistics and Demography	32
Master of Arts/Science (M.A./M.Sc.) in Population Sciences	23
Master of Population Studies (M.P.S.) (Through distance mode of Education)	24
Post Graduate Diploma in Community Health (P.G.D.C.H.)	16
Diploma in Health Education/ Diploma in Health Promotion Education (D.H.E./D.H.P.E.)	22
All Courses	239

Smt. Preeti Sudan, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India presided over the function. In her presidential address she appealed to the graduating students to use the high-quality education and training received from the Institute to its maximum potential in the service of the people.



Smt. Preeti Sudan, IAS, Delivering the Presidential Address



Dr. Rajiv Kumar Delivering Convocation Address

Smt. Sudan stated that India has made significant progress in stabilizing its population and improving the health status of its people. However, she added that India has and have to strive hard to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). She also mentioned that although health status of the population has improved in many respects, there is a growing burden of non-communicable diseases. In addition, India is also facing challenges of reducing malnutrition and neonatal mortality and reducing the wide regional disparities in the level of health outcomes and health care provision. She highlighted the importance of 'Swachh Bharat Mission' as a great visionary effort for healthy behavioral change in the context of social determinants of health, which are preventive in nature.

The Chief Guest Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Hon'ble Vice-Chairman, NITI AAYOG, Government of India delivered the convocation address. Dr. Kumar congratulated the students for selecting population studies, bio-statistics and demography as their subject, as these disciplines are necessary in formulating policies and programmes for a better country. He highlighted the fact that the students are well represented in the Institute as they come from all parts of the country including North-East India. He emphasized that the Institute is very historical one, as it was established during early years of independence. Thus, the Institute has served the country in the field of population studies and national statistics. He also pointed out that a large part of national statistical needs is met by the National Family Health Surveys, which is one among the flagship projects of IIPS.

In his address, Dr. Kumar emphasized that the latest round of Global Burden of Diseases has indicated the epidemiological transition as a result of changing profile of disease in India, from communicable disease to non-communicable diseases. Sixty percent deaths in India are caused by non-communicable diseases, and its share has been steadily increasing over the last 20 years for both men and women. These diseases are preventable. Death before the age of 70 due to non-communicable diseases is considered as premature mortality. Data collection systems and type of survey have to be modified in the light of new profile of illness, and there is need to shift focus from infant, maternal and communicable diseases to diabetes, hypertension, dietary risk factor, lifestyle, alcohol, tobacco, cardiac, coronary kidney disease, and stroke. Relative performance of global health and nutrition indicators is not very encouraging for India and it is at the lower part among the selected countries. It shows that majority of the population does not have access to preventive health care as well as secondary and tertiary care. Dr. Kumar also talked on the subjects of integrating and standardizing data collection procedures, the greater use of Information Technology in health research, and the importance of population scientists in the emerging epidemiological transition in India. He stated that National Health Policy 2017 aims to address the changing health

care needs and there is a strong emphasis on AYUSH. He stressed on the poor status of vital registration system especially for the cause of death. He also stated that there is an emerging need for open data and electronic data repository, which may facilitate better analysis of available secondary data for national policy and planning. He highlighted the importance of data analytics and the crucial role population scientists could fulfill. He talked about the prospect and importance of collaborative works among nationally important health organizations of MoHFW. Dr. Kumar congratulated the graduating students and wished them to continue higher quality research in the field of population and health.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Programme/Course	Title of Award	Award Description	Awarded Students
Master of Philosophy (M. Phil.)	Prof. Tara Kanitkar Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in the M.Phil.	Mr. Wahengbam Bigyananda Meitei
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in the M.Phil.	Mr. Pawan Kumar Yadav
	Dr. P.N. Mari Bhat Award	A student from M.Phil. whose dissertation adjudged to be the best	Mr. Akshay Mishra
Master in Population Studies (M.P.S.)	Dr. C. Chandrasekaran Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in the M.P.S.	Ms. Samridhi S. Gupte
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in the M.P.S.	Mr. Babul Hossain
	Dr. J.R. Rele award	A student from M.P.S. whose term paper rated as the best	Mr. Babul Hossain
M.Sc. Bio- statistics and Demography (M.B.D.)	Prof. Sukumar Mukerji Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in the M.B.D.	Ms. Sampurna Kundu
	IIPS Silver Medal	A students whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in the M.B.D.	Ms. Deboshree Das Mr. Balram Rai
M.A. /M.Sc. in Population Studies	Prof. Asha A. Bhende Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in the M.A. /M.Sc.	Ms. Aparna Roy
	IIPS Silver Medal	A students whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in the M.A. /M.Sc.	Ms. Akancha Singh
Master in Population Studies (M.P.S.) (Through Distance Mode)	Dr. K. Srinivasan Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in the M.P.S. through distance mode	Mr. Ramanathan Balakrishnan
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in the M.P.S. through distance mode	Dr. Sanchita Dhananjay Sarang
Diploma in Health Education/ Diploma in Health Promotion Education (D.H.E./D.H.P.E.)	IIPS Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in the D.H.E./D.H.P.E.	Mr. Kanchankumar Khanduji Pagar
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in the D.H.E./D.H.P.E.	Mr. Vineet Arya
Post Graduate Diploma in Community Health (P.G.D.C.H.C.)	IIPS Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in the P.G.D.C.H.C.	Mr. Kumar Kailash Vanjari
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in the P.G.D.C.H.C.	Mr. Prakash Verma



Ms. Apama Roy Receiving Dr. Asha A. Bhende Gold Medal, M.A/M.Sc. Programme



Ms. Sampurna Kundu Receiving IIPS Gold Medal, M.Sc. Bio-statistics Programme



Ms. Samroddhi Gupte Receiving Dr. C. Chandrasekaran Gold Medal, M.P.S. Programme



Mr. Wahengbam Bigyananda Meitei Receiving IIPS Gold Medal, M.Phil. Programme



Mr. Akshay Mishra Receiving Dr. P. N. Mari Bhat Award, M. Phil. Dissertation



Ms. Akancha Singh Receiving IIPS Silver Medal, M.A./M.Sc. Programme



Ms. Deboshree Das Receiving IIPS Silver Medal, M.Sc. Bio-statistics Programme



Mr. Balram Rai Receiving IIPS Silver Medal, M.Sc. Bio-statistics Programme



Mr. Pawan Kumar Yadav Receiving IIPS Silver Medal, M.Phil. Programme

NEW WEBSITE OF IIPS

Inauguration ceremony of new website (URL: www.iipsindia.ac.in) of International Institute for Population Sciences was held at Seminar Hall, IIPS on 10th May 2019. The website was launched by Smt. Preeti Sudan, IAS (Secretary, Minister of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, & Vice President of General Council, IIPS, Mumbai) in presence of Dr. K.S. James (Director of IIPS), Dr. D. K. Ojha, General (Stats) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India. This Website is designed and developed by Empanelled agency of National Informatics Centre Services Incorporation. The new website is CMS based, interactive and gives better access to About Us, Academic Courses, Departments, Library, Career and Jobs, Alumni, Abstract Seminars, information about Major Projects, Publications by the IIPS Faculty, Plan to visit and other dynamic modules.



MEMORIAL LECTURES/ SEMINAR/ SYMPOSIUMS

The 8th Prof. Asha A. Bhende Memorial Lecture

The Eighth Prof. Asha A. Bhende Memorial Lecture was held on 15th January 2019. Prof. Sonalde Desai, University of Maryland, USA delivered the lecture on **‘Family Changes in India in the context of Economic Transformation’**. In her lecture Prof. Desai stated that the 21st Century is widely heralded as the Asian Century, with high rates of economic growth, rising education, rapid growth of middle classes, national pride in an era of presumed sunset of Western economic power. But the economic growth does not have uniform impact on family changes. While total fertility rates have fallen universally across all parts of Asia, increase in age at marriage has been highly variable across region. She focused that the growth in middle class in the West occurred with shift from farming to blue collar job and white collar salaried jobs. India’s ongoing story is not a job expansion story, rather it is a salary expansion story. Rising incomes of professionals (government workers, teachers, lawyers, doctors etc.). Rising incomes of lower middle classes serving these professionals (cooks, drivers, plumbers), Sharply rising education and aspirations, an era of hyper competition for scarce jobs. Demographic literature documents strong pressures for having at least two children. So why stop at one?



Aspirations for self mainly women's desire to participate in the labour force, tradeoff between consumption and children, personal fulfillment, leisure etc. Besides, aspirations for children i.e., investments in children's education, children as a ladder to social mobility. She concluded with stating that rising incomes are not always associated with gender modernity, rising tide of gender fundamentalism around the world.

Coordinators: Prof. Hemkothang Lungdim, Dr. Harihar Sahoo, and Mr. Prakash Phulpagare.

The 17th Dr. C. Chandrasekaran Memorial Lecture

The 17th Dr. C. Chandrasekaran Memorial Lecture was held on 11th March 2019. Dr. Sreenivasan Subramanian, former Professor, Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai delivered the lecture on **“Measurement in the Social Sciences: Some Logical and Normative Issues”**. In his lecture Prof. Subramanian highlighted the fact that measurement in social sciences is very important—one need only to look at the life and work of a person such as Dr C. Chandrasekaran to see this. That is also why one needs to be careful, when dealing with the enterprise of measurement, to take serious note of the notions of outcomes and processes, facts and values, and logic and language and normativity. It is wise to heed that old proverb: ‘He that forsakes measure, measure shall forsake him.’

Coordinators: Prof. Hemkothang Lungdim, Dr. Harihar Sahoo and Mr. Prakash Phulpagare.



IIPS National Seminar 2019

IIPS National Seminar on **“Population Dynamics in India and its Implication on Health and Environment”** was jointly organized in collaboration with National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (NIRDPR) during 7-9 March, 2019 at NIRDPR, Hyderabad. The seminar focused on the interrelationship between population dynamics, Implication on Health, Environment and development in India. Three plenary sessions namely “25 years of ICPD: Lessons Learned and Challenges”, “Policy implication of NFHS-4 Findings” and “Unemployment and Health Expenditures” were held. About 65 oral



papers were presented in 16 technical sessions and 80 poster papers in the National Seminar. Researchers, academicians, students, NGOs, programme managers from different disciplinary backgrounds and from various parts of the country participated in the

National Seminar.

Seminar Organizing Committee: Patron: Prof. K.S. James; **Coordinators:** Prof. H. Lhungdim, Dr.Dhananjay Bansod, Dr. Pralip K. Narzary, Dr. Preeti Dhillon; **Seminar Secretary:** Dr. P. Murugesan

NIRD&PR: Chief Patron: Dr. W.R. Reddy; **Patron:** Prof. Jyothis Sathyapalan; **Organizers:** Dr. Digambar Chimankar, Dr. Lakhan Singh, Dr. Rajesh Sinha, Dr. Akanksha Shukla, Dr. Sonal Mobar Roy, Dr. P. Anuradha.

Symposium on World Population Prospects 2019 Revision

On the occasion of World Population Day, the International Institute for Population Sciences organized a half-day symposium on 21st June, 2019 on the topic entitled "**World Population Prospects 2019 Revision: Highlights and Implications for the Sustainable Development Goals for India.**" The symposium was inaugurated by Prof. K.S. James, Director & Sr. Professor. This symposium contains the following presentation as well as expert's comments by eminent speakers on their expertise areas.

Expertise Areas	Name of the experts	Name of the Speaker
Population size, growth and composition: Implications for India and world	Prof. Sumati Kulkarni, Former Professor, IIPS	Prof. P. Arokiasamy, IIPS
Levels and Trends in Fertility: Implications for India and world	Prof. F. Ram, Former Director and Sr. Professor, IIPS	Prof. D. A. Nagdeve, IIPS
Levels and Trends in Mortality: Implications for India and world	Prof. Kamla Gupta, Former Professor, IIPS	Prof. Usha Ram, IIPS
Levels and Trends in Migration: Implications for India and world	Prof. M. H. Suryanarayana, IGIDR	Prof. K. C. Das, IIPS

Coordinators: Prof. Usha Ram, Dr. Archana K. Roy and Dr. Harihar Sahoo

DISTINGUISH VISITORS/ SCHOLARS

Prof. Tim Dyson

Prof. Tim Dyson visited the Institute on June 28, 2019. 'Tim', as he is popularly known among global demographers, needs no introduction. Prof. Tim is Professor of Population Studies in the Department of International Development at London School of Economics. He has worked a lot on the demography of India. In 2001 he was elected a Fellow of the British Academy, and in 2015 he gave the keynote address on the first day of the forty-eighth session of the United Nations Commission on Population and Development in New York. His main areas of research have included work on demographic time series, interactions between population and their food supplies, famine demography, HIV/AIDS, urbanization, child mortality trends, climate change, democratization, and the past, present and future population of the Indian subcontinent. His latest book is *Population and Development—the Demographic Transition*, published by Zed in 2010. His work on Indian demography has been recognized globally. Prof. Tim's recent book, "Population History of India" is published by the Oxford University Press. In this book Prof. Tim first begins with discussing the first modern people (*homo sapiens*) roughly 70,000 years ago and goes on addressing the periods of Indus valley civilization, the settlement of the Ganges basin, the eras of the Delhi Sultanate, the Mughal Empire, and finally ends with British colonial rule (when data on the population suddenly become very much more available). The book provides

considerable amount of focus on population trends and policies in India since 1947. For the periods before about 1800, the book weaves together evidence and analysis from disparate and often unconventional sources—many of them external (e.g. ancient Greek, Arab, Chinese, French, English).

Some of Prof. Tim's other reputed work on India include his paper on **Kinship Structure, Female Autonomy and Demographic Behavior in India; A historical demography of Berar, 1881-1980 India's Historical Demography; Population and Food: Global Trends and Future Prospects; and The Demography of South Asian Famines** in the journal **Population Studies**. Beside a great demographer and a population historian, Prof. Tim has been a loyal friend and a well-wisher of IIPS, for over many decades. Whenever Tim has visited India, he has always made it a point to not only visit IIPS but also give an enlightening talk to all of us. During his visit to IIPS on June 28, 2019, Prof. Tim spent nearly two-hours with the IIPS research scholars learning about their doctoral work and gave lots of insights and suggestions on how they could improve their research. In the afternoon, Prof. Tim delivered a public talk on population history of Asia.

Prof. Tim's public talk was attended by the IIPS faculty, research staff, students, former IIPS faculty and other invitees from research institutes and organizations across Mumbai. Dr. Shireen Jejeebhoy, a well-known authority on sexual and reproductive health rights and women empowerment, an esteemed member of the IIPS Executive Council also attended. The presentations and discussions was followed by an intensive question answer session. The talk concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Archana Roy, Associate Professor, Department of Migration and Urbanization, IIPS.



Prof. Tim's interaction with research scholars

Coordinators: Prof. Usha Ram and Dr. Archana K. Roy

RESEARCH PROJECTS INITIATED (2019-20)

1. Assessment of Quality of Mortality Data from Large Scale Sample Surveys in India (Prof. Usha Ram and Dr. Manas Ranjan Pradhan)
2. Health Expenditure on Breast Cancer Treatment in Women: A Study from Public Sector Tertiary Cancer Centre (Prof. S.K. Mohanty and Dr. Tabassum Wadasadawala).

ACTIVITIES UNDER ON-GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS

Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI)

The 8th Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting of the Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI), 18-19th March, 2019, New Delhi. The Eighth Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting (National and International Advisory Council) of the Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI) Project was held on 18-19 March 2019 at NDC conference hall, National Institute of Health and Family Welfare (NIHFW), New Delhi. The agenda of the 8th TAC meeting was to review and approve the template and chapalization plan for the LASI Wave-1, National Report, the LASI Wave-2 survey instruments and to discuss progress of LASI allied studies and new initiatives related to LASI Project. A total of 35 participants including the senior officials, national and international advisory committee members, special invitees, and LASI PIs and team members attended the LASI 8th TAC meeting.

Coordinators: Prof. P. Arokyaswamy, Prof. D.A. Nagdeve, Prof. T.V. Sekher, Dr. Aparajita Chottopadhaya, Dr. Dipti Govil, and Dr. Sarang Pedgaonkar



SWABHIMAN

A three days meeting for ‘**Factsheet review meeting (Qualitative and Quantitative) and longitudinal study on maternal nutrition in Bihar**’ was organized by Swabhimaan Project on 18-20 June 2019 at IIPS, Mumbai. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the finalized factsheet indicators, upcoming research papers from midline survey data and budget for longitudinal study.

Coordinators: Prof. Sayeed Unisa, Dr. Vani Sethi (Nutrition Specialist, UNICEF), Dr. Laxmikant Divedi, Dr. Sarang Pedgaonkar, Dr. Preeti Dhillon, Dr. R.S. Reshmi



Chhattisgarh main survey training programme for field investigators with Swabhimaan PI, Co-PI and research staff, 30 April to 15 May, 2019

ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEES

Gender Amity Committee (GAC)

Gender Sensitization Programme

GAC conducted a debate programme, an event to promote gender equality in the institute premises on January 9, 2019. Prof. K.S. James, Director inaugurated the programme. Dr. Vani Sethi (UNICEF India) and Mr. A. R. Nirmal (Hindi Officer, IIPS) were invited as guests for this event. The IIPS students from various courses participated in the program.

Committee: Prof. Sayeed Unisa and moderated by Dr. Sarang Pedgaonkar and Dr. Preeti Dhillon.

International Women's Day

IIPS celebrated the International Women's Day on 15th March 2019. On this occasion, GAC organized a "Poster-slogan" competition. Prof. Kamla Gupta (Former Professor, IIPS) was Chief Guest for the programme. Program was chaired by GAC chairperson Prof. Sayeed Unisa. Forty students and staff participated enthusiastically in the competition. Best slogan award was given to five participants and certificates were distributed to all the participants.



Participants along with GAC members on Women's Day celebration Programme

Orientation Programme on prevention of Sexual Harassment at Campus for new students held on 16th July 2019

Gender Amity Committee of IIPS organized an orientation programme for prevention of sexual harassment for the students of International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai, on 16th July 2019. The objectives of orientation programme were to sensitize the students against sexual harassment at work place and campus and make them aware of the policy on these issues as well as the support system available at the Institute. The two distinguished speakers namely, Ms. Medhavinee Namjoshi from UNICEF Consultant, RJMCHN Mission, Mumbai and Mrs. Natasha R. Surani, Counsellor at IIPS, were invited for this programme.

Dr. Preeti Dhillon welcomed the students, staff, guest speakers and Prof. K.S. James, Director & Senior Professor, IIPS, and introduced eminent guest speakers of the program. Prof. James gave his opening remarks. Director appreciated the works of the Gender Amity Committee to solve the issues related to sexual harassment matters in the campus. He emphasized on the importance of having such programme in the IIPS as the courses are residential and the students come from diverse background.

Prof. Sayeed Unisa, Chairperson of the Gender Amity Committee chaired the programme. Ms. Medhavinee Namjoshi explained how sexual harassment is a form of gender discrimination, originated and continued in a patriarchal mindset and how people misuse their privileged position and power. She also explained that sexual violence is a violation of human rights and talked about the various legal provisions in India. She briefed the gathering regarding the Act on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace, 2013 (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal). She used the interactive way in explaining these issues using video clips showing examples of sexual harassment faced by women in their day to day life. Mrs. Natasha R. Surani gave lecture on counselling. She talked about importance of counselling, types of counselling and why we need counselling. Students actively participated and asked questions and their doubt related to counselling which were clarified by Mrs. Natasha. Ms. Medhavinee and Prof. Sayeed Unisa also clarified some of the queries raised by students. The Chairperson of GAC and Committee Members offered and ensured the students with complete guidance and support in case of any unwanted incidence happen to them.



Coordinators: Dr. Preeti Dhillon and Mr. D. N. Vidhate and Supported by Prof. Sayeed Unisa (Chairperson of GAC), Dr. Manas R Pradhan, Dr. Reshmi R.S., Ms. Yogita, Ms. Nutan, and Mr. Tarique Anwar. About 100 students, faculty and staff members actively participated in the programme. Mr. D. N. Vidhate gave the vote of thanks.

Superannuation

Prof. Laishram Ladu Singh, Officiating Director, Sr. Professor and Head, Department of Mathematical Demography and Statistics, Superannuated on 31.03.2019.

Mr. Ramsurat Verma, Driver-cum-Mechanic, Superannuated on 31.03.2019.

Mr. M. Sekar, Assistant Registrar (Academic), Superannuated on 30.04.2019.

Appointments

Mr. Aniket Chattopadhyay, Assistant Finance Officer, Appointed on 07.05.2019

Ms. Priya S. Mudhaliyar, Upper Division Clerk, Appointed on 15.07.2019.

Mr. Rambachan P. Vishwakarma, Accountant, Appointed on 15.07.2019.

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Dr. Pazhani Murugesan, Sr. Research Assistant

Mr. Nasim Ahamed Mondal, Research Officer

UPCOMING EVENTS

Population, Health and Sustainable Development Goals: Performance and Prioritizing Policies

India is the seventh-largest country by area accounting for 2.4 percent of the world's surface area, yet supports over 17.5 percent of the world's population. India is stated to be the most populous country in the world within a decade and will also have the distinction of having fifth largest economy with GDP of US \$ 2716 billion in 2018. The country has shown significant progress in some of the demographic and health indicators. The CBR has declined from 40.8 to 20.2, CDR from 21.1 to 6.3, TFR from 6 to 2.2, IMR from 146 to 33 and life expectancy at birth has increased from 32 to 68.8 years during 1951 to 2017. The maternal mortality ratio has reduced from 570 per 100,000 live births in 1990 to 130 in 2014-16. India along with other countries signed the declaration on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which the United Nations Member States has adopted in 2015 with the pledge that *No One Leave Behind* and with the aim of ending poverty. India provides high priority to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and emphasize on solutions to reach the desired goals. India shows strong commitment to holistic implementation of 17 SDGs which mirror the flagship programmes and priorities of this country. India has set targets for implementation of SDGs in the areas of economic progress, inclusion, and sustainability. Health is wealth. Good health benefits economic growth and ultimately can sustain the growth. Disease impact the wellbeing of an individual, it burdens family, society and public resources, weakens social and economic welfare. The health and wellbeing of all age groups, therefore lies at the core of sustainable development. Goal 3 of SDG solely focuses on health and wellbeing, which is "to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all age group. India is facing "triple- disease burden" - a large share in communicable diseases, a spurt in non-communicable or "lifestyle" diseases, and huge problems of malnutrition. India is often being criticized for its fragile health infrastructure, poor spending on Health in budgetary allocation, lack of basic amenities that reinforces poor health-poverty trap, high health disparities, lack of awareness of health care, poor implementation of health programmes and huge out of pocket expenditure. Rural India has not always been the beneficiary of globalization and high economic growth, thus perform poorly in health. Similarly, urban poor faces series of hardship and thus, sometimes, worse than even the rural poor in health indices. Out-of-pocket expenditure on health in India is one of the highest in the world. If India wants to realize on SDGs, success of the programmes such as Transformation of Aspirational Districts, National Nutrition Mission, and the *Swachh Bharat Mission* etc. are critical which will localize the SDGs with a focus on health, nutrition, agriculture, education, infrastructure, and insurance. This Seminar provides a national platform to participate and discuss the performance of SDGs by the research community. With this background, the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai, will organize a three-day national seminar in collaboration with Patna University, Patna, during 13-15 February, 2020. Patna University, Patna, will be the local organizer of this important national seminar. Scientific research papers are invited to highlight the interrelationship between population, health and sustainable development goals in India under the following themes:

1. Marriage, Fertility and Family Planning
2. Nutrition and Food Security
3. Health Inequality and Socio-economic Well-being
4. Sanitation, Water and Child Health
5. Environment, Climate Change and Disasters
6. Family Demography and Reproductive Health
7. Demography of Aging
8. Migration and Urbanisation
9. Mortality, Morbidity and Longevity
10. Good Governance and Improved Citizen Centric Services
11. Policies and Programmes for Inclusive Development
12. Poverty, Inequality and Urban Health
13. Evaluation of Health Policies
14. Statistical Models for Demographic and health Analysis
15. New Approaches in Research, Data, and Methods
16. Demography of Bihar
17. Other Relevant Issues

Instructions for submitting abstracts

Scholars, students and programme managers working in the areas of population, health, environment, gender and development are invited to submit their research papers. Those interested to contribute papers for the seminar should register and submit online an abstract of not more than 500 words (in MS-Word format) (**LINK AND/ OR SEMINAR MAIL ACCOUNT**) at <http://iipsindia.ac.in/content/iipsseminar>. A committee will review the abstracts and identify the papers for oral and poster presentations accordingly.

Financial Support

The participants are encouraged to explore the sources of financial support on their own. IIPS will provide financial support (full or partial funding) to limited number of participants. However, financial support will be extended only to the presenting author of each accepted paper provided the full paper is submitted on or before the deadline.

All correspondence to be sent electronically to: iipsseminar2020@iips.net

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Coordinators: Prof. D. A. Nagdeve, Prof. K. C. Das, Dr. Aparajita Chattopadhyay,

Dr. Laxmikant Dwivedi and Dr. Suryakant Yadav

Local Organizing Committee, Patna University, Patna

Patron: Prof. Rash Bihari Prasad Singh, Vice-Chancellor Coordinators: Population Research Center, Department of Statistics

Important Dates

Last date for abstract submission	22 th December, 2019
Notification of accepted abstract	26 th December, 2019
Full paper submission	10 th December, 2019
Notification of financial support	15 th January, 2020
Last date of Registration	31 th January, 2020
National Seminar	13-15 February, 2020

Registration

Up to 5 th January 2020	From 6 th January 2020	Account details for online payments
Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 2000/-	Name: International Institute for Population Sciences Bank: State Bank of India Account No.: 10895954179 Branch: Deonar Branch

Large Scale Sample Survey- Data Users Training Workshop 17-22 February, 2020

The International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS) is pleased to announce a one-week (six days) Large Scale Sample Survey Data Users training workshop. The workshop is scheduled to be held at IIPS during 17th – 22nd of February, 2020.

Objectives:

The Large Scale Sample Survey Data Users workshop envisages to build capacity of researchers working in the field of population and health to use the data collected through large scale sample surveys for analysis and dissemination. Hands on training would be provided to the participants in using the data collected through the various rounds of the National Family Health Surveys (NFHS), during the workshop.

Contents:

The one-week short term training workshop would cover among others the following aspects of Large Scale Sample Surveys: Sampling; Sampling Weights; Survey Instruments; Mapping & House Listing; Selection of Sample; Sampling and Non-Sampling Errors; Ethical Issues; Data Analysis, etc.

Participants are expected to have adequate knowledge of STATA / SPSS.

Seats Availability & Selection:

In order to maximise the hands on learning experience for participants, the number of slots available for the Large Scale Sample Survey Data Users Training Workshop is restricted to 35 (thirty-five) only.

IIPS encourages candidates to seek funding from their own institutions / organisations for the workshop. However, the Institute would support lodging, boarding, and travel costs for a limited number of trainees. Preference for financial support would be given to officials from various Population Research Centers (PRCs) in India.

A few seats would be available on self-financing basis to Researchers working in the field of Population and Health Issues in Indian research organization including Universities. For the self-financed candidates, a Registration Fee of Rs. 15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand only) would be charged toward direct cost, which includes stationery, study material, refreshment including lunch during the workshop. IIPS encourages young full time research scholars working in the field of population to participate in this workshop. They would be charged a subsidized registration fee of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only).

The registration fee does not include travel cost to and from IIPS, Boarding, Lodging, and other such facilities.

The registration fee is required to be remitted by the applicant only after receiving confirmation of their selection from IIPS.

The selection of participants for the Workshop rests solely at the discretion of IIPS. No correspondence whatsoever pertaining to selection / participation would be entertained thereof.

Important Dates:

Last date of application: 20-12-19

Intimation to the selected candidates: 27-12-19

Contact Persons:

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Application as per the format given and forwarded through the Head of the Institution, should be mailed to:

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ADMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Applications are invited for admission to the following courses of the Institute during the academic year 2020-2021

Degree (Full-Time)	Eligibility Criteria	Age limit	Selection Criteria	Duration	Government of India Fellowship
Master of Arts/ Science (M.A./M.Sc.) in Population Studies (50 Seats with Government of India Fellowship)	Admission to this course is open to all candidates having B.A./B.Sc. Degree (passed/appearing) from a recognized university in India or abroad with a minimum of 55% of aggregate marks/equivalent grade in the following subjects: Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Health Statistics, Mathematics, Political Science, Psychology, Rural Development, Social Work, Sociology and Statistics.	The upper age limit is 25 years as on 30 June, 2020	On the basis of a common entrance test.	Two years	Rs. 5,000/- p.m.
Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Bio-statistics and Demography (50 Seats with Government of India Fellowship)	Admission to this course is open to all candidates having B.A./B.Sc. Degree (passed/appearing) in Bio-statistics or Health Statistics or Mathematics or Statistics or having B.A./B.Sc. degree with two full papers on mathematics or statistics from a recognized university in India or abroad with a minimum of 55% of aggregate marks/equivalent grade in all subjects.	The upper age limit is 25 years as on 30 June, 2020	On the basis of a common entrance test	Two years	Rs. 5,000/- p.m.
Master of Population Studies (M.P.S.) (50 Seats with Government of India Fellowship)	Admission to this course is open to all candidates having M.A./M.Sc. Degree (passed/appearing) from a recognized university in India or abroad with a minimum of 55% of aggregate marks/equivalent grade in the following subjects: Anthropology, Bio-statistics, Economics, Geography, Health Statistics, Mathematics, Political Science, Population Education, Psychology, Rural Development, Social Work and Sociology, Statistics.	The upper age limit is 28 years as on 30 June, 2020	On the basis of a common entrance test and personal interview	One year	Rs. 5,000/- p.m.
Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in Population Studies/ Bio-statistics & Demography (50 Seats with Government of India Fellowship)	Admission to one year M.Phil. Course is open to all candidates holding a Master's degree in Population Studies, Demography, Bio-statistics and Epidemiology, Bio-statistics & Demography from a recognized university in India or abroad with a minimum of 55% of aggregate marks or equivalent grade.	The upper age limit is 30 years as on 30 June, 2020	On the basis of a common entrance test and Personal interview	One year	Rs. 6,000/- p.m.
Integrated M.Phil. and Ph.D. in Population Studies /Bio-statistics & Demography (Refer footnote-4) (No. of seats for UGC/CSIR-JRF or any other national level fellowship awardees shall be decided by the admission committee)	Admission to Integrated M.Phil. and Ph.D. program is open to candidates holding a Master's degree in Population Studies, Demography, Bio-statistics and Demography from a recognized university in India and abroad with a minimum of 55% of aggregate marks or equivalent grade.	The upper age limit is 30 years as on 30 June, 2020	Common entrance test, Proposal writing, and personal interview	Three years to a maximum of Seven years	Respective fellowship
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Population Studies/ Bio-statistics & Demography (2 Seats with Government of India Fellowship) (No. of seats for UGC/CSIR-JRF or any other national level fellowship awardees shall be decided by the admission committee)	Admission to Ph.D. program is open to candidates having M.Phil. in Population Studies, Bio-statistics and Epidemiology, Demography from a recognized university with at least 55% of aggregate marks/equivalent grade are eligible to apply.	The upper age limit is 30 years as on 30 June, 2020	On the basis of common entrance test, proposal writing and personal interview	Two years to a maximum of Six years	<i>Refer Footnote-5</i>
Post-Doctoral Fellowship (P.D.F.)	Candidates having Ph.D. degree in Population Studies or subjects related with population, health, gender and development. Desirable: Good publication in peer reviewed journal, publication of books and research reports.	The upper age limit is 40 years as on 30 June, 2020	Submission and Presentation of Proposal as well as Personal Interview	One year full-time, tenable at the Institute	Rs. 50,000/- p.m.
M.A. Population Studies (Through Distance Mode of Education) (100 Seats) Offline admission procedure	Admission to this course is open to all those with a Bachelor's degree in any social science subject/Health/Maths/Stats or any similar degree recognized by Indian/Foreign universities with 50 percentage marks for general candidates and 45 percentage marks for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC and PWD category. Candidates having master's degree and also those who are having work experience will be given due weightage. The cut off percentage can further be reduced by the admission committee for candidates with any additional qualifications. Reservation criteria will be followed as per the Government of India norms. After successfully completing all academic requirements given in the guidelines, the registered distance learner will be awarded degree of "M.A. Population Studies" irrespective of any discipline he/she come from graduate level.	No age limit	Scrutiny of eligible applications by the Admission committee constituted by the Director (Offline admission procedure)	Two years to maximum four years years	No fellowship



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