Northern Regional Conference of IASP 2022 on

Population, Development and Health in Northern India: Status and Challenges Ahead

Organised Jointly with

Population Research Centre, University of Kashmir

Dates: 29-30 Sep, 2022

The Indian Association for the Study of Population (IASP) is a professional body of population scientists, demographers, economists, statisticians, health professional, development researchers and practitioners, social scientists and several other related experts. IASP promotes and enables demographic, health and development research, deliberates on emerging challenges in field of population and health issues, advocates with central and state governments on policies and programmes, collaborates with national and international professional and academic bodies, provides enabling environment for discussions on pertinent issues and publishes scientific peer reviewed journal **Demography India**.

To promote and disseminate research and ideas on population issues at regional level, the IASP organizes regional conferences. The first one in this series, the IASP is organizing its Northern Region conference which will focus on exchange of research and ideas in the UTs of Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh, Delhi, Chandigarh and the States of Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand. The conference is being organized jointly with Population Research Centre (PRC), University of Kashmir, Srinagar. A premier research institute on Population and Health issues in the UT of Jammu Kashmir, the PRC was established in 1985. The PRC Srinagar is an interdisciplinary community of scholars engaged in population research and training. The faculty is trained in various disciplines including Economics, Geography, Population Studies and Statistics. The PRC regularly conducts and promotes research in population studies; and assists the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi with policy input and feedback on population and health issues. The PRC also conducts training programs with a specialization in health Management Information System. The main financial support for the Centre comes from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW), New Delhi.

The seminar sub-themes are as follows:

- a. Nuptiality, Fertility, Infertility and Family Planning
- b. Mortality, Longevity, Morbidity and Public Health
- c. Reproductive and Sexual Health
- d. Emerging health issues in light of NCDs
- e. Health and Nutrition
- f. Population Ageing
- g. Migration and Urbanization
- h. Population, Sustainable Development and Environment
- i. Data Quality Issues
- i. COVID-19, Population and Health

Papers are invited for the conference from the researchers, academicians, health professionals, programmers and policy makers and other experts working on the issues. The abstract of about 250 words (giving a brief of data and methods and key findings and their policy implications) may kindly be emailed to any Executive Council member whose email IDs are available on the IASP website (https://iasp.ac.in). The authors can also send their Abstract directly to Dr. Rajesh Kumar Chauhan, Regional Coordinator (Northern) on email ID rajesh_kumar_chauhan@hotmail.com.

A registration fee of Rs 2000 will be applicable to the participants of the conference.

Important dates are as below:

Last date for submission of abstracts: 31 Aug 2022
Notification to the selected papers: 07 Sep 2022
Registration begins: 07 Sep 2022

Conference dates: 29 and 30 Sep 2022.

Conference Details

Transportation: University of Kashmir is situated about 20 Kilometers away from Srinagar International Airport and 12 Kms from the Tourist Reception Centre (TRC) and 18 Kms from Srinagar Railway Station. Travelers by train and bus can avail the auto or the shared sumo taxi service that is provided at the station. The auto fare is within Rs 250 from TRC and shared 400 from Railway Station. One can avail prepaid taxi from Srinagar Airport which presently charges Rs. 1800 per trip. No pickup facility will be provided to participants travelling by train, bus or air. Please let us know your itinerary (airline, flight number, time of arrival and departure) in advance.

Accommodation and food:

Arrangements have been made for attendees to be accommodated at the University of Kashmir Hazratbal guest house and will be communicated at a later date. On the days of the conference, lunch will be organized at venue of conference. Other meals, including breakfast and dinners will be served at respective places of stay. Conference attendees should share their arrival and departure dates in advance to enable accommodation and meals arrangements.

Venue: The Venue of the Conference will be Gandhi Bhavan, University of Kashmir.

Weather: The weather in Srinagar is usually pleasant throughout September. However, sudden rain can bring down the temperatures at night. A light sweater/jacket may not be a bad idea.

Sight-seeing: Since we have a tightly packed schedule for the conference, no arrangements for local sight-seeing trips have been made by the organizers. Those who would like help with arranging such trips should inform the organizers well in advance so that we can put you in touch with appropriate travel agents.

For further queries related to the Conference please contact:

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