

28th March 2022

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings to all members of the Indian Sociological Society! With an immense sense of pleasure and gratitude, I express my gratefulness to you for electing me as the President of the Indian Sociological Society. Thank you all for your overwhelming support, wishes and blessings!

The Indian Sociological Society (ISS) has come a long way since its formation seventy years ago (1951) and is still evolving with the changing times and contexts. Besides the ever-growing numbers of Life Members, organizing of regular All-India conferences, publishing of the three well-read Journals, the ISS is recognized as one of the important National Associations at the international level. Its Research Committees (RCs) on varied themes and the Regional Associations representing different states and regions provide the linkages that seek to make the penetration of the subject to the rural and remote areas. Though the Covid-19 pandemic curtailed much of the academic activities in the last two years, the online initiatives have provided new ways of connecting teachers, researchers, and students from far and wide for conferences, lectures, webinars, academic writings, and research methodology and other workshops. These activities witnessed over the last few years, and those related to financial, administrative, and infrastructural developments have strengthened the functioning of the ISS. We intend to make further efforts.

There are nevertheless problems, and our various Committees and Sub-committees would be geared up to handle them in the most amicable ways. In the Managing Committee (MC) meeting held on 12th March 2022, many of these and related issues were discussed and resolved. I would come back with them from time to time to apprise the members about them.

The vision, dedication, and hard work of all the past Presidents of the ISS, along with their teams have made this possible. I draw a great deal of inspiration from their perseverance, and academic excellence to make the Indian Sociological Society an ever-growing professional, democratic, transparent, and efficient body of scholars. I look forward to working during my tenure (2022-23) with the utmost sense of responsibility and sincerity and to maintain the faith that you have reposed in me.

With best wishes and warm regards,



ABHA CHAUHAN
President, ISS