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President's Message



Dear Colleagues:

India is experiencing the most exceptional, energetic, unsettling and disquieting century of its history. Colonialism earlier, developmentalism later and neo-liberalism today has introduced a full-fledged capitalist system. This in turn has created a legacy of economic growth that has increased inequalities and expanded poverty. Simultaneously it has given unimaginable opportunities to a section of the growing consuming class. It has also paradoxically led to environmental degradation, deforestation and increasing pollution prompting questions of economic and ecological sustainability. While we remain an agrarian society, growth in agriculture has declined and peasant life has been destabilised. New cities and elite enclaves have emerged while some old ones have had got breath of new lives and others have died out organising this large urban population into informal modes of work, labour and housing. Indians have been forced to be mobile; either they are searching for new dreams, caught in trafficking or forced to migrate as a consequence of displacement and survival problems, making some of them refugees in their own country unable to access citizenship rights. We are seeing today mounting exclusions, increasing everyday individual and collective violence as those in dominant positions, both in formal and informal structures of power attempt to control those who are seeking agency within the household, on the streets, in work and in the public domains.

Sociology emerged to comprehend such transitions in the mid 19th century. This is the moment for sociologists across the globe and in India to take the challenge of analysing the complex processes that are shaping the contemporary world and which are also being manifested in India. Sociologists in India cannot isolate themselves for global trends and will not only have to engage with research and theories of global sociology but also affirm their own positions through an engagement with its own theories and perspectives that have developed over its hundred years of practice. This also implies that the Society will also need to showcase the work and activities of its Life Members across the globe.

It is in this spirit and with this intention that the current Managing Committee of the Society has initiated a series of measures to ensure that the voice of Indian sociologists reaches across the world. One of the major initiatives in this context has been to accept the Sage proposal to take over the publishing, printing and sale of *Sociological Bulletin*. The Bulletin which in the best of times has had only about 300 subscribers and had become an in house journal edited, printed and read only by its Life Members. Now it will have a global reach and thereby will increase the global professional status of its authors. We also have a new Life Member friendly website where we have uploaded all the prints and E-newsletters and all other relevant information that is needed for Life Members. This website will showcase the Society across the world.

We hope you appreciate these changes. We also hope that these changes will help sociologists in India to engage with contemporary processes that confront the world allow them to engage with them and to actively intervene in their reflections.

Sujata Patel
President

From the Editor's Desk



The fresh team of office bearers of Indian Sociological Society (ISS) took over on 1 January, 2016 with the newly elected President, Secretary and five elected Managing Committee (MC) Members. It was a moment of joy for me reaching the coveted post after a long drawn struggle of days of electioneering! I am thankful to all the Life Members of ISS for their overwhelming support, especially to those who left no stone unturned to ensure my success. I know, I am being little personal at the public site, I cannot but remember and pay deep sense of gratitude to that one person – one of the finest human beings, a great teacher and a Sociologist, my father Prof. Brij Raj Chauhan. Trying to imbibe his humility, perseverance and dedication, I hope to move forward and endeavor to give my best while in the position of Secretary for two years (2016-17). More than anything else, I feel the sense of responsibility and commitment towards my new job to live up to the expectations of those several people who reposed their faith on me.

We started with enthusiasm and would like to keep the momentum alive all through the two years. In Prof. Sujata Patel (President) and Prof. Biswajit Ghosh (Treasurer), I found two amiable and professional team members who share similar concerns for the ISS. We've had innumerable discussions and put in number of hours from day one on almost every issue. With them and the entire MC members we've had a wonderful working relationship. The first MC meeting was held on 26 February, 2016, the earliest we could have had. It was vibrant, thought provoking and informative wherein many vital decisions were taken or initiated. The issues pertained to website, newsletter, Sociological Bulletin, Sameeksha, Research Committees, Regional Associations, Conference, Special lectures, Awards, Electoral reforms, Office and land for the Society, among others. The best thing has been forming of sub-committees on nearly all issues with a Convenor and 2-3 Members for each so that we work together and share collective responsibility and accountability.

The ISS Members will soon find perceptible changes, some of which are becoming visible (website). A few however, have generated discussions and counter arguments which we take in our stride and do our best to incorporate useful suggestions in the given context. The interest of ISS shall always come first and the important decisions of MC will be taken to the members of General Body for their approval. MC is a representative and a decision-making body and we shall remain transparent, open and democratic in our functioning. But yes... we are in a hurry!

I appreciate the decision of last MC Meeting of making Prof. V.P. Singh, the Co-editor of the E-Newsletter of ISS. In him I have found a wonderful colleague. We hope to work together for the next two years in cooperative and consistent manner to bring out a good and informative E-Newsletter.

***Abha Chauhan
Editor***



**XXXXI All India Sociological Conference of the Indian Sociological
Society organized by Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, KIIT
University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha**

REPORT

The Indian Sociological Society's the XXXXI All India Sociological Conference was hosted by Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha from 27th-29th, December, 2015. The theme of the conference was "Development, Marginalization and People's Movements" held over three days, the conference looked at a host of social issues and institutions including politics, family, migration, education, religion, religious communities, rural and tribal communities, social stratification and social mobility etc. More than 2000 sociologists from India, Brazil, Europe union, China, South Africa, Japan, and Bangladesh apart from some other countries participated in this 41st AISC of the Indian Sociological Society. During the conference several plenary sessions, paper presentations and special lectures were organized successfully. It is noteworthy that more than 1000 delegates presented papers on various sociological issues related to the development, marginalization and people's movements of the Indian society, in 24 different Research Committees and 04 Adhoc Groups. The Conference was inaugurated by the noted social activist, Mrs. Medha Patkar on December 27, 2015. During the inauguration, Prof. Achyuta Samanta the Founder of KISS & KIIT University & Chairperson of the Organizing Committee, Prof. Anand Kumar President of the Indian Sociological Society Prof. R. Indira Secretary of the Indian Sociological Society, and the Organizing Secretary of the conference Dr. Iswar Chandra Naik also addressed the inaugural session. Presentation of Life Time Achievement Award to Prof. Y. C. Simahdri, Prof. Ishwar P Modi and Prof. Harish Doshi and Prof. M. N. Srinivas Young Sociologist Award to Dr. Sumit Sourabha Srivastava were highlights of the inaugural ceremony.



During the conference, three plenary sessions and one special lecture were organized. They are the following: International Plenary Sessions -I: Development, Marginalization and People's Movements in Global Perspective, National Plenary Sessions II: Development, Marginalization and People's Movements in Indian Perspective and State Plenary Sessions -III: Development, Marginalization and People's Movements in Odisha Perspective, Special Lecture-I: M N Srinivas Memorial Lecture by Dr. George Mathew. Since the theme of the conference was Development, Marginalization and People's Movements, all the Plenary Sessions discussed the various types of current issues in Development which lead to Marginalization and People's Movements in the Indian society. Scholar's like Prof. Frank Welz, President European Sociological Association, Prof. Celi Scalon (Brazil), Prof. Dian Yang (China), Prof. Dai Nomiya (Japan), Prof. Pengfei Diao (China), Prof. Y. C. Simahdri, Prof. Harish Doshi, Prof. Vivek Kumar, Prof.



Nilika Mehrotra, Prof. Debal Singhroy, Dr. Rambabu, Prof. G. Satyanarayana, Prof. Ravi P. Pandey, Prof. D. N. Jena, Prof. Sukanta Chaudhary, Prof. R.K. Meher, Prof. S.M. Patnaik, Prof. D. R. Sahu, Dr. M. G. Bage spoke in these plenary sessions on various issues. On the last day of the conference, the valedictory session was chaired by Prof. Anand Kumar President of the Indian Sociological Society. Shri Jual Oram, Union Minister, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, government of India was graced the valedictory session as Chief Guest. Shri Baishnaba Parida, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) was joined as Guest of Honour. Prof. Bibek Debroy, Member of NITI Aayog, government of India delivered the valedictory note on growth and developments in Indian society. Finally, Dr. Iswar Chandra Naik, Organising Secretary delivered the vote of thanks.

Presentation of the best Conference of the Indian Sociological Society Award to Prof. Achyuta Samanta the Founder of KISS & KIIT University & Chairperson of the Organizing Committee.

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Research Committee (RC) Reports

41st ALL INDIA SOCIOLOGICAL CONFERENCE

(December 27- December 29, 2015)

RC 1: Theory, Concept and Methodology

Convenor: Dr. Manish Kumar Thakur

This year the Research Committee -1 of Indian Sociological Society received a total of seventeen abstracts fourteen of which were presented during the conference. As part of the proceedings of the RC, a special lecture titled "Re-imagining Sociology in India: Beyond Methodological Nationalism" was delivered by Prof. Sujata Patel on December 27, 2015. The presentations were broadly organised around four themes namely, (i) Theory (ii) Methodology (iii) Development: concept and discourse, and (iv) Sociology of Space and emerging urban public sphere.

Vandenbergh discussed anti-utilitarian social theory as a corrective and as a normative position that sociology must engage with as a discipline. Byasa Mohrana underlined the need to rethink Brahminism as a category which is a much used in Indian social sciences as well as in the discourses of social activism. Mohrana argued for the use of casteism as opposed to Brahminism. Ankita Mookherjee discussed emergent paradigms in sociology in India in relation to the thematic of identity politics. Subhankar Basu and others discussed methodological reformulation of the problematic of globalization. Saloka Sengupta presented her paper on folk dance forms of Purulia district in West Bengal. Medha Nayak presented discussed drawing as a possible research tool when studying children. Ved Prakash's paper attempted to re-construct the Human Development Index. Vibha Arora offered a sociological analysis of the Plachimada (Kerala) movement against Coca-Cola. Amites Mukhopadhyay's paper explored the disconnected nature of governance, conservation and livelihood initiatives in the Indian Sundarbans. Aditya Mohanty discussed new circuits of urban politics based on contemporary case-studies in key Indian megalopolises viz., Mumbai, Delhi and Bangalore. Anindita Tagore's paper unravelled gendered hierarchies and different exclusionary environment that are produced for people while accessing public places. Subhasis Sahoo's paper examined the scientific public sphere as an empirical phenomenon which surfaced in India between late 1970s and early 1980s through the people's science movements. The presentations were followed by engaging discussions. Also, a total of thirteen new members were added in the RC this year.

RC 2: Family, Kinship and Marriage

Convenor: Pramod Kumar Sharma

In RC – 02, a total of 23 research papers were presented in various sessions. The number of members in RC – 02 are increasing every year. The four sessions were held in this RC during the Conference on Development, Marginalized and People's Movements.

In the First session, 12 papers were presented. The session was chaired by Prof. Diwakar Sharma, Head of the Dept. of Sociology, Central University Sagar (M.P.). Rapporteur was Dr. L.S. Gajpal, Dept. of Sociology, Pt. R.S.U. Raipur. Prof. Diwakar Sharma initiated the proceedings followed by paper presentations. The papers were related to various aspect of Marriage, Family and Kinship in different cultural zones of India. An active discussion took place at the end of paper presentations with participation of scholars and teachers. Prof Diwakar Sharma finally made his overall comments on various papers.

The Second session was chaired by Prof. C.S.S. Thakur. Dr. K.K. Yadav, P.P.N. College Kanpur (U.P.) was the Rapporteur. Six papers were presented on various aspects of Family and change. In the Third session, 04 research papers were presented. This session was chaired by Prof. P.K. Sharma, Head, Dept. of Sociology, Pt. R.S.U. Raipur and Rapporteur was Dr. J.L. Tiwari, Senior Lecturer, Dept. of Sociology, Pt. R.S.U. Raipur. All papers were presented on serious issues emerging in Indian society. In the Fourth session, one paper was presented and then, the Research Committee's Business meeting was held in which the following members were elected unanimously for the smooth and intellectual functioning of RC – 02 for 2 years (2016-17). Convenor: Prof. C.S.S. Thakur, Department of Sociology R.D. University, Jabalpur; Co-convenor: Dr. J.L. Tiwari Dept. of Sociology, Pt. R.S.U. Raipur; Secretary: Dr. K.K. Yadav, P.P.N. College (U.P.); Treasure: Dr. L.S. Gajpal Dept. of Sociology, Pt. R.S.U. Raipur; Executive Members: Prof. Diwakar Sharma, Dr. H.S. Gous, Central University Sagar, Dr. Sarita Singh G.R.P.G. College Jaunpur, Dr. Ravindra Bansal, Bareilly College, Bareilly (U.P.) Dr. Nidhi Thakur G.K.N.G College, Balaghat (M.P.), Dr. Sunita

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RC 3: Economy, Polity and Society

Convenor: Prof. Satish K. Sharma

The members of RC 03 on *Economy, Polity and Society* met at Bhubaneswar on December 27, 2015, almost after a gap of one year. Before the start of the technical sessions the members held a prayer meeting in the memory of Professor S. R. Ahlawat, who had left for heavenly abode on January 2, 2015. The members recalled the contribution of Professor Ahlawat in running the research committee for four years as its Convener. In the Executive Committee of RC, the members unanimously elected Prof. Satish K. Sharma as the Convenor for the second term, Dr. Srinivas Sajja, BITS, Hyderabad as Co-convenor and Dr. Rachna Sharma, GNDU, Amritsar as Treasurer. The academic deliberations of the RC 03 revolved around the theme of the conference *Development, Marginalization and People's Movements*. A total of 35 abstracts were received, of which 28 were accepted for presentation.

All the papers accepted were divided into four sessions inclusive of inaugural. Dr. Rambabu in introducing the theme of the conference presented an overview of social movements with specific reference to protest movements. The paper presented in the other technical sessions focused on agrarian relations, migrations, political economy of ageing, civil society, farmer's suicides, gender inequalities, corporate life, economy and life of the people in the border areas, investment behaviour, consumerism, etc. The prominent presenters included Prof. B. B. Mohanty, Srinivas Sajja, Dr. Rachna Sharma, Dr. Kulwinder Kaur, Angshumita, Sujit K. Surroch, Gopal Roy, Anil Kumar Mishra, Arun Kumar Jha, Pradeep Kumar Parida, Birender Suna, P. Christuraj, E. M. Ashok, Devasagayaraj, P. Seeralan, M. Thavamani, Arvind Kumar, Mumtaz Ahmed, Bimla Devi, Madhusmita Sahoo, Subhasmita Khuntia, Ms. Debadatta Pradhan, Papesh Kumar Lenka, Aprameya Mohanty, Anju Helen Bara, Kedarnath Jha, Arosmita Sahoo, and Pranjit Nath.

RC 4: Migration and Diasporic Studies

Convenor: Prof. Swati Shirwadkar

Migration and Diasporic Studies (RC-4) organized a mid-term workshop and seminar at the S.P. University of Pune, Department of Sociology, UGC Centre for Advanced Studies, on 2nd February 2015. Scholars from Europe and India presented their research papers. Select papers from this workshop were published entitled, 'Diaspora and Migration: Cultural Identity, Citizenship and Policy Challenges' as an in house publication.

RC - 04 received around twenty two abstracts this year for 41st ISS Conference and 13 papers were presented in RC-04. The themes of the papers ranged from migration and its correlation with climate change, lack of development, distress and draught, looking into intricacies of social networks; cultural and community identity, social practices, to inclusion and exclusion of Diaspora communities. Studies on both internal migration and out migration from India were presented, highlighting different aspects such as philanthropy, cultural maintenance, and identity and citizenship issues of Diaspora. Sessions were chaired by Professor C.K.V. Bhat, Professor Swati Shirwadkar. Dr. Balgovind Babu participated in discussions. Prof. Dr. Indira and Prof. Nagla visited RC- 04 as observers of ISS.

Prof. Swati Shirwadkar expressed that a new convenor may be chosen. Dr. Ajailiu Niumai, University of Hyderabad was unanimously elected as the new convenor of RC-04.

RC 5: Education and Society

Convenor: Dr. Birendra Narain Dubey

RC 05 – Education and Society conducted its academic exercise quite successfully adhering to the standards of Indian Sociological Society. This time, forty seven papers from India and one paper from South Africa were received and a few more were included on the spot. Teachers, students, scholars, researchers, government officials and NGOs actively participated and contributed in their ways. During five sessions of RC, a total of thirty seven papers were presented and discussed thoroughly focussing on theoretical and empirical nature of the main theme related to economy, development, gender, SCs, STs, OBCs, minorities and other marginalized communities of India. Contemporary issues

like access, equity, social justice, educational mobility, architectural designs of colleges and classrooms, Life Skill Education, performing arts, social networking etc. were also covered during presentations. A special lecture was arranged on the topic of "Higher Education and Disability" by one of the eminent faculty from JNU. It proved to be the most vibrant session as discussion prolonged beyond the time frame.

RC conducted its business session on December 29, 2015 after the end of presentation at 10:30 AM where the main focus was to make future plans and elect the new team as the present Convenor had already completed her two terms (four years). All the members of RC present during Executive Committee Meeting unanimously elected the new team for the tenure of two years 2016 and 2017 as follows: Convenor: Dr. Birendra Narain Dubey, Associate Professor Dept. of Sociology, BBA Central University, Lucknow; Co-convenor: Dr. Nagaraju Gundemeda, Associate Professor, Dept. of Sociology, University of Hyderabad; Treasurer: Dr. Rashmi Mishra: Reader in Sociology, NKCCDS, Bhubaneswar.

Overall all the deliberations at RC 05 during five sessions of presentations were proved to be academically fruitful and enriching. It emerged as a platform for exchanging and sharing of new ideas particularly with young researchers and faculty members.

RC 6: Religion and Religious Communities

Convenor: Dr. Sudha Sitharaman

'RC 06 Religion and Religious Communities' was organised in three sessions in the School of Mechanical Engineering, Campus-6, KIIT University. In all 27 research papers were accepted for presentation and 22 papers were presented and discussed in detail in these different sessions.

Papers articulated the so-called 'return of religion' in the public sphere, laying bare the reconfigurations of the religion in the secular/modern India. 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. 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 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.

Election for Convenorship for the forthcoming conferences was held on 27 December and Dr. Aninidita Chakraborty was elected unanimously as Convenor RC 06.

RC 07: Rural, Peasant and Tribal Communities

Convenor: Prof. Soumendra Mohan Patnaik

The research committee received 102 abstracts for the 41st ISS Conference and after editing 88 abstracts were accepted (76 in English and 12 in Hindi). However, out of 88 abstracts 63 presentations were made in the conference. There were 5 technical sessions Chaired by Prof. P.S. Vivek, University of Mumbai, Prof. Sukant K. Chaudhury, University of Lucknow, Prof. S. Gurusamy, Gandhigram, Prof. Nilika Mehrotra, JNU and Prof. Sanjay Salunke, BR Ambedkar Marathwada University. The summary of presentations on various themes is as follows:

a) Issues on Rural Development- 11 papers were presented on issues like Rural Health, Role of MGNAREGA, Education and Mobility, Political Mobilisation; b) Peasant and Peasantisation- 7 papers were presented on different issues such as Patronage and Peasantisation among migrant agricultural labourers, farmer suicide, indebtedness and farmers, peasant poverty; c) Tribal Development- 21 papers were presented on issues like Ecological problems, livelihood generation, reservation policy, problem of influence of Globalisation, Tourism among tribal areas; d) Problems of Dalits in rural areas- 17 papers were presented on themes like impact of globalisation on dalit education, identity issues among dalits, poverty among dalits, dalits in Nirmal Gram Puraskar villages; e) gender issues- 11 papers were presented on issues like gender development and marginalisation, changing socio-economic status, education and social mobility, women's health, marginalised women, etc.

The major issues emerged were: a) development at grass-root should be the priority, b) globalisation should sustain rural tradition as well as economy, c) culture and needs of the people are to be considered in the development programmes, d) tribal forest and land rights should be protected, e) imparting quality education is essential, f) women's health and education must be allocated maximum budget, g) solutions to peasant suicide should be the priority of both central and state governments and h) interest of dalits should be protected.

RC 08: Social Stratification, Professions and Social Mobility

Prof. Arvind Chauhan

In all 26 papers were received for presentation in RC-08 and in fact only 17 could actually be presented at the time of conference. The papers were presented in the following five sessions: (i) caste and ethnic transitions in urban areas; (ii) issues of development in the context of social mobility; (iii) gender issues and globalization ; (iv) emerging area in studies on professions in India and (v) studies on minorities in India. Some of the important issues were highlighted by the scholars like: studies on weaker sections of society, issues of development in the context of tribals, issues related to caste, other ethnic groups and minorities, challenges of Globalization in India, the changing nature of caste associations in urban areas, impact of governmental plans through various schemes, the impact of the use of internet on youth and the emerging challenges for medical profession in India particularly in the context of Complementary and alternative medicines. Since this has been the last year for the present convener and others, the elections were held and the following new office-bearers were elected unanimously: (i) Professor Mohammad Salim (Convener); (ii) Dr. Sanjay Kolekar (Executive Member) and (iii) Dr. Usha Rana (Executive Member)

RC 09: Dalits and Backward Classes

Convener: Prof. R. N. Salve

On the first day of the conference, i.e. 27th December, 2015, first Session was held on 'Dalits and Development: Theoretical Approaches'. The Session was Chaired by Dr. Usha Sarvoday and 10 papers were presented in it. The second Session on 28th December, 2015 was Chaired by Prof. Jagan Karade and 10 papers were presented. In the third Session, 4 papers were presented and the Session was Chaired by Prof. R.N. Salve. On the same day Prof. Raj Shekhar delivered a lecture on Prof. C. Parvattamma Lecture Series and Prof. R Indira Chaired this Lectures Series. In the fourth Session on 29 December, 2015, in all 15 papers were presented. This Session was Chaired by Dr. O.V. Kalame.

The detail accounts of RC 09 for the last two years, 2013-15 were submitted. Election to the Executive Committee was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. O.V. Kalme. The following were elected for the tenure of 2 years, 2016-17. Convener: Prof. R. N. Salve, Kolhapur; Co-convener: Prof. Bhagwan Bhist; Prof. M. Gurulingaiah; Treasurer: Prof. Jagan Karade; Executive Committee Members: 1. N.P. Varma; 2. Surendra Raj; 3. B.N. Mahantho; 4. Deshraj Sabarwal; 5. D. Shrikant; 6. H.M. Vasanthamma; 7. Dipti Kaushik; 8. Satynarayan Paswan

RC 10: Gender Studies

Convener: Dr. Shweta Prasad

For the 41st All-India Sociological Conference held at KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha organized from 27-29 Dec., 2015, the RC 10 received 104 abstracts, out of which 92 papers were presented under various sub-themes in nine parallel sessions. For the first time, RC 10 had two joint sessions with the Ad-hoc Group on Ethnicity and Minority Studies. The first joint session comprised of 6 papers from the Adhoc group and 5 papers from RC 10 whereas the second joint session had 5 papers from each, RC 10 and the Adhoc group.

The technical Session-I was chaired by Dr. Shweta Prasad. The technical Session-II (A) was chaired by Prof. Abha Chauhan and technical Session-II (B) by Dr. Arvinder Ansari. Technical Sessions III (A) & III (B) were chaired by Prof. Abha Avasthi and Dr. Ajailiu Niumai respectively. Dr. Leena Pujari was the Chair for the technical Session-IV and technical Session-V was chaired by Dr. Jyoti Prasad Saikia. Technical Sessions-III(C) and IV (B) were the joint sessions of the RC 10 and the Adhoc group on Ethnicity and Minority Studies.

The RC 10 had a special lecture by Prof. Sujata Patel on the topic “Feminist Challenges to Sociology in India”. The previous convener, Prof. Abha Chauhan released the e-newsletter for the period January 2014 to Dec., 2014. The RC is getting positive response from the fraternity and this year the committee added 50 new members. We hope to expand further and work for a better world for women.

It was decided that the midterm seminar for the year 2016 will be organized at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

Elections

The RC 10 had elections during Varanasi Conference in November- December, 2014 for different positions. The following members were elected and it was unanimously decided to continue with the same team: Convener: Dr. Shweta Prasad, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, UP; Co-convener: Dr. Jyoti P. Saikia, Dibrugarh University, Assam; Secretary: Dr. Kameshwar Singh, Bihar; Treasurer: Dr. T. B. Singh, Kanpur, UP; *Executive Committee Members*: 1. Dr. N. K. Singh, Uttar Pradesh; 2. Dr. Arvinder Ansari, New Delhi; 3. Dr. Shital Tamakuwala, Surat, Gujarat; 4. Dr. Rajnibala, Punjab; 5. Dr. Shaylja, Karnataka 6. Dr. Aneesa Shafi, Srinagar, J & K

Midterm Seminar

The RC 10 organized a midterm seminar on the theme “Understanding Women Empowerment: Journey so far and the Path Ahead” on 27-28 Oct., 2015 at Veer Narmad South Gujarat University (VNSG), Surat with Dr. Shweta Prasad as Convener and Dr. Shital Tamakuwala as Organizing Secretary. Dr. Dakshesh Thakar, Vice-Chancellor, VNSG University, Surat was the Chief Guest of the inaugural session. The keynote address was delivered by Prof. Vibhuti Patel and Prof. Bhavana Mehta was present as the Guest of Honour.

The two day national seminar had a pan-India presence with nearly 200 delegates from Jammu in the North to Chennai in the South, from Saurashtra in the West to Shillong in the East. The theme of the seminar received great response and 90 papers were presented during the two days in Hindi, English and Gujarati languages.

During the seminar, five special lectures were organized inviting experts from different parts of India to share their understanding and experiences of women empowerment. Prof. Lajwanti Chattani from MS University, Vadodara spoke on the topic “The Pathology as the Remedy: Uncovering the Relationship between Gendered Empowerment & Uncontested Patriarchies”. Special Lecture by the Convenor of RC 10, Dr. Shweta Prasad was arranged on “Women’s Movement in India: Setting Stage for Women’s Empowerment”. Dr. Arvinder Ansari from Jamia Milia Islamia University, Delhi shared her views on the “Women’s Empowerment: Shifting Paradigm: He for She Perspective”. Prof. Abha Chauhan from Jammu University presented her views on “Empowering Women through Activism: The Women Disqualification Bill in Jammu and Kashmir” and Prof. Rajesh Mishra vividly elaborated on “Woman in Sociological Theory”.

The seminar deliberated on several issues of women’s empowerment and development. The discussions among the participants all through the seminar were interactive and meaningful.

RC 11: Environment and Society

Convener: Dr. Anoop Kumar Singh

Dialogue, discussions and presentations were very vibrant, mind-boggling and thought provoking in this RC 11. In all, forty papers were accepted for presentation and thirty two papers were presented in five pre-structured sessions exploring and analysing the issues of climate change, environmental pollution, forest policy and its impact on tribal people, displacement and development and so on. The First session was chaired by Prof. S C Rajora of Kota university who himself raised the issue of environmental impact assessment quoting the study of Hindustan Zinc Ltd. at Chittorgarh. The Second session was chaired by Dr. B. Kendre of Mumbai University sharing his views on marginalized section and environment. The Third Session was chaired by Dr. Deba Prasad Chatterjee of Kolkata. The session was very much significant in terms of presentation done by budding researchers of Sambalpur University and Utkal University, Odisha on the issues of development and its impact on agriculture, as well as issues related to Oraon tribe and vedanta aluminium. The Fourth session was chaired by Dr. Anoop Kumar Singh and papers ranged from corporate social responsibility to women’s participation in community forestry. The Fifth session was chaired by Prof. Hemixa Rao. In this session, the impact of Mega hydroelectric project on the flora and fauna of north-east was discussed thoroughly. Last but not the least, it’s a good sign that budding researchers are intending to participate in this RC because of their

concern with the phenomena of environmental conservation. The following decisions were taken by unanimously: 1- RC will release a news later in the coming conference; 2-A board of review was formed for book publication 3- Special lecture will be organized in the conference; 4- Prize for best paper

RC 12: Population, Health & Society

Convenor: Dr. Amarendra Mahapatra

The RC-12 session was inaugurated by Prof. Haresh Bhai Doshi, and followed by a warm welcome and brief self introduction from all the participants. This was followed by a brief report of the last year's conference by the Convener of RC-12 and followed by the Sessions of 2015. RC-12 session was conducted in the scheduled time and date on 27/12/15, 2.30- 5.30pm. as detailed in the attached programme. Prof. Haresh Doshi, of Surat, Chaired the Session on 27/12/2015 in which 16 Papers were presented and well discussed within the time schedule. This was followed by next session on 28th/12/2015 2.30- 5.30pm. In this session 13 Papers were presented and well discussed, within the time schedule, as per the list. On 29th Dec 2015 the Final session of RC-12 was held in which 11 Papers were presented & discussed in detail. This Session was chaired by Dr. Anita Dash of Ravenshaw University, Cuttack. The RC-12 sessions ended with the concluding remarks from Prof. Vivek in a special session.

List of Executive Committee Members:

Convener : Dr. Amarendra Mahapatra (Odisha)
 Co-Convener : Prof. Shauketh Azim (Karnataka)
 Secretary : Dr. M.Thamilarasan (Tamil Nadu)
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 Dr. Sourav Madhur Dey (West Bengal)
 Dr. Vatika Sibal (Maharashtra)
 Mr. Zulufkar Ahmad Khanday (U.P.)
 Prof. P S Vivek (Maharashtra)

RC 13: Science, Technology & Society

Convenor: Prof. Bipul Kumar Bhadra

In the 41st AISC at KISS, KIIT, Bhubaneswar, 40 abstracts were received of which 30 papers were presented in the five sessions allotted in this year's conference. The convener Prof (Retd.). Bipul Kumar Bhadra inaugurated and chaired the first session. The papers presented dealt with issues concerning gender and technology and their impact on social relationships. The second session was chaired by Dr. Rabindra Garada of the Department of Sociology at Utkal University Bhubaneswar. The major issues that came up for discussion concerned the ethical code of conduct in Indian culture, ICTs and education, impact of climate change, virtual friendships and family, masculinity and technology, and effects of ICTs on human life. The third session was chaired by Dr. Manoj Kumar Jena of the Department of Sociology at Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi. Also he delivered a special lecture on "Shifting Paradigm: Networks Technology and Communication." The papers presented in the session covered a variety of topics such as pregnancy as embodiment and the role of technology, narcissist mind as a synthesis of automation, teenagers' quest for self and identity, contraceptive technology, globalization of beauty trade, the downside of social media, and online political blogging. The fourth session was chaired by Dr. Souvagya Laxmi Saran of the Department of Sociology at R.D. Women's University, Bhubaneswar. The papers presented in this session were on internet and its everyday uses, online shopping and quality of life, debates surrounding innovation, gaps between digital haves and have-nots in higher education. The final session was chaired by the Convener Prof (Retd.). Bipul Kumar Bhadra. In this final sessions scholars presented papers on the role of technology on health awareness, the impact of internet addiction, LGBTQ youth and internet, tattooed identity, significance of technology for human embodiment, technology and socio-economic empowerment of women, uses of mobile phone among marginalized college students, and globalization and its technological impact. The Executive Committee of RC-13 also proposed to create a Website and to bring out a title containing publication worthy papers that were presented this RC-13.

RC 14: Culture and Communication

Convenor: Prof. V.P. Singh

The Research Committee RC 14 on Culture and Communication convened five sessions on the occasion of 41st AISC held at Bhubaneswar, 27-29, December 2015. The members (N=18) presented their papers on various themes such as mobile phone usage, gender subordination in Indian cinema, radio as a tool of development, singing dissent, cultural perspective on globalization, terrorism and popular culture, global communication and information, media, ICT and development, role of print media in rural community, festival and culture in tribal society, feasibility behaviour and development of women etc. Professor Virendra P. Singh (Convenor), Prof. Parvez A. Abbasi (Co-convenor) and Prof. Mohammad Saleem chaired the sessions, Prof. Harish Doshi acted as a resource person and addressed the members on methodological issues related to research in the field of Culture and Communication.

The election of new office bearer was held in the business session. The following office bearers were elected unanimously: 1-Prof. Parvez A. Abbasi, Department of Sociology, Veer Narmad South Gujarat University, Surat (Convenor); 2-Dr. Sudhanshu Bala Sahu, Department of Sociology, Christ University, Bangalore (Member); 3-Dr. Parpetua Miranda, Sophia College for Women Bhulabhai Desai Road Mumbai (Member)

RC 15: Social Change and Development

Convenor: Prof. Govardhan Ram

Five sessions of the RC were held in parallel meetings in two rooms during the three days of the conference. In all, 116 abstracts were received and 108 papers were presented on different themes such as emerging development perspectives, development in different social sectors, development and social transformation, development-induced displacement and social unrest, technological development and social consequences, and development and emerging inequalities. The sessions were chaired by Dr Chura Giri (Margherita), Prof Anirban Banerjee (Burdwan), Prof Naresh Bhargava (Udaipur), Prof B Ramamurthy (Tirupati), Prof G. Ram (Assam), Dr D. K. Singh (BHU), Prof P. C. Jain (Udaipur), Dr Biswambhar Panda (NEHU), Prof B. N. Prasad (Patna), Dr Bipul Gogoi (Dibrugarh), and Dr Khirod Deori (Dibrugarh).

On the second day the existing Convenor, Prof G. Ram, held elections to elect a new Convenor RC-15. The RC member, Dr Prabhas Kumar, proposed the name of Prof Naresh Kumar Bhargava (Udaipur) for the position and Prof P. C. Jain, Dr Ashutosh Vyas and many others seconded it. There being no other name proposed, Prof Bhargava was declared elected unanimously. At present the RC has 185 members and a fund of around one lakh rupees in its bank account.

RC 16: Urban and Industrial Studies

Convenor: Dr. Pranjal Sarma

RC-16 received 30 abstracts and 19 papers were presented during five technical sessions. Professor J. Krishnamurthy, Prof. P.S. Vivek and Dr. Pranjal Sarma chaired the sessions. The main issues discussed during the sessions can be broadly divided into three study areas, namely: cities and urban life; industrial organizations and management. The topics covered were Designing Smart Cities, Urban Informality and the Shifting Discourse, Creation of Vending zones, Effect of urbanization on marginalized occupation, Information Technology evolution, impact of Globalisation on Indian industry, Trade Unions in Indian Railways, Occupational health hazards of working women, Small tea growers and silk farming, Corporate Social responsibility, Micro and small scale industries, Accidents in industry, Handloom industries, Training in organization and so on.

RC sessions generated productive discussions among the participants. A good number of senior sociologists as well as research scholars took active part in the discussions. Also the selected papers of this conference are going to be published in an edited volume entitled "Urbanization and Industrial Development" by EBH Publishers (India) and it is already in the press. A decision is taken to bring out another edited volume including selected papers of the last years' conference.

RC 17: Social Movements

Convenor: Prof. D.R. Sahu

Activities of RC-17 Social Movement during the 41st All India Sociological Conference held at Bhubaneswar during 27-29 December 2015 include the following: Research committee was thematically divided into four technical sessions along with a business meeting. Out of 38 selected abstracts, 17 papers were presented. In its Inaugural session, Prof. Biswajit Ghosh, member, Managing committee, Indian Sociological Society, Burdwan University, West Bengal delivered 4th A. R. Desai Memorial Lecture on 'Maoist Movement in India: A Synoptic View'. The session was chaired by Prof. N Jayaram. Dr. Gayatri Bhattacharya, Kolkata, Dr. Shruti Tambe, Pune University, Dr. Rohit Jain TISS, Maharashtra, Dr. K. Gulam Dasthagir, Pondicherry University chaired subsequent technical sessions and Dr. P.K. Gupta, Lucknow University and Dr. Pradeepta Ranjan Pattanayak, Bhubaneswar co chaired technical sessions.

The papers were presented on the issues of Ethnic Movement, Urban Social Movements Frameworks, Climate Change, Carbon Market, Green Appropriation and Environment Movement in India, Brahmin Movement in Tamil Nadu, People's movement in West Bengal, Niyamgiri Movement in Odisha, Anti dam Movement in Assam, Globalization and Tribal Identity Kandha Rebellion and many other specific people's movements.

The session concluded with a business meeting in which convenor declared his completion of tenure and requested members to have an election for the new team. It was unanimously decided that Dr. Gayatri Bhattacharya, Kolkata University would be the convenor and Dr. Shruti Tambe, Pune University would be the co-convenor for 2016-18. It was also decided to have mid- conference of RC 17 sometime in June 2016 in the Department of Sociology, Pune University. Dr Shruti Tambe invited all RC members to participate in the forthcoming Pune conference.

RC 18: Sociology of Crime and Deviance

Convenor: Prof. Ramesh H. Makwana

RC 18 of ISS and the theme of the sessions under this RC during 41st AISC at Kiss, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha pertain to Sociology of Crime and Deviance. Out of 24 papers printed in the Book of Abstracts, 19 papers were presented during the three consecutive technical sessions, commencing with an inaugural session on 27th December 2015 afternoon. Dr R. K. Mohanty, Co-convenor R.C. 18 gave introductory remarks expressing his satisfaction about gradual increase in the number of members and paper presenters. Dr Mohanty addressed the audience on preparing the criminological research agenda through rightful survey of literature under theoretical, methodological and thematic heads. Prof. J. C. Patel, Professor of Sociology, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat was the Chief Guest who expressed serious concerns about the Youth Crime in India.

The sessions had a gamut of papers from different areas such as women and crime, violence against women, impact of drug addiction, role of media in prevention of crime, youth criminality, crime and technology, reservation movement in Gujarat, juvenile justice, ragging, suicide among farmers, and terrorism as a social crime. Out of 19 paper presenters, 7 were young research scholars and 12 regular faculties from around 05 states of the country. The Sessions were chaired respectively by Prof. Kausik Raval, Dr. R. K. Mohanty, Dr. Mohan Singh, Dr. Kamini Dashor, Dr. Mamta Patel, Dr. Smruti Bhosle, Dr. Ratanjay Kumar Singh, and Rajkishor Barik. The research importance of each of the topic, origin, nature, causes, sociological implications, and consequence were well deliberated upon. This generated a lot many views and suggestions from eminent experts present. On the whole, the R.C. deliberations were fruitful and meaningful.

Special activities: I inform you with great pleasure that we have given 1st Prize to the best paper of Dr. Usha Patil (Associate Professor, Mahavir College, Kolhapur). In the last session at the Odisha conference the business meeting of the RC was held and Dr. Mohan Singh presented the accounts. It was decided to edit a book consisting of selected papers presented in the RC- 18 with effect from 2015 AISC.

RC 19: Sociology of Ageing

Convenor: Dr. Udai Bhan Singh

The RC 19 had 24 paper presentations out of the 27 abstracts it received. The presentations were on different themes and perspectives related with aging issues. Major areas that were covered by learned presenters were social exclusion, successful ageing, old age homes, health and perceived social support, santhara, positive ageing: myth or

reality, leisure issues and quality of life of the elderly, NPOP 2011, maintenance and welfare of parents and Senior Citizens Act 2007, empty nest syndrome, intergenerational continuity and conflict, impact of modernization on the aged, neglect, abuse and violence with the aged etc.

All the sessions witnessed dynamic and vibrant interactions in terms of comments, observations and suggestions. It was observed that besides state support, sensitizing the young generation towards the elderly is the need of the hour. State and society both should be sensitive towards the greying population. RC sessions were chaired by Prof. A.K. Joshi, Prof. B.K. Swain, Prof. Sudeshna Basu Mukherjee and Dr. U.B. Singh. The RC as a motivational gesture also gave best presenters award to two young paper presenters namely Ms. Shikha Kumari, research scholar, HSS Dept. JIIT, Noida and Ms. Shubham, research scholar, Dept. of Sociology, BHU, Varanasi. In the end, all the RC members expressed thank and gratefulness to KIIT-KISS, its founder Achyuta Samanta and Dr. Ishwar Chandra Naik for nicely organizing the conference, arranging RC meetings and superb hospitality.

RC 20: Leisure and Tourism

Convenor: Dr .Kali Nath Jha

There were thirty nine accepted papers. Most of them were related to the emerging patterns of leisure and issues regarding tourism. Five sessions were scheduled. Out of five, three sessions were technical, one plenary and one business.

In the technical sessions, presenters were concerned about the leisure issues and different dimensions of tourism. The issues emerged in the technical sessions were breakdown in community life, leaning towards consumerism and changing world view as well as life style.

In the plenary session, senior sociologist and anthropologist Prof. S.M. Patnaik (Delhi), Prof. Diwakar Sharma (Sagar) and Prof.C.S.S.Thakur expressed their views from macro to micro level. The different sessions were chaired and co-chaired by Pro. B.K.Singh, Dr. P.K.Chaudhary, Dr. Kali Nath Jha, Dr. Dhananjay Sontakke and Dr. Vinita Singh.

RC-20 already decided to organize a mid-term conference at Wardha with the cooperation of Dr. Dhanjay Sontakke, Priyadarshini Women's College and to start e-news letter very soon. RC-20 passed a resolution to pray God for good health of Prof. I.P.Modi.

RC 21: Social Problems and Marginalised Groups

Convenor: Prof. S.N. Chaudhury

Presentation in RC 21 was organized with introductory remark by Convener Prof. S.N. Chaudhary. Altogether 25 presentations were made by scholars belonging to the discipline of Sociology, Social Anthropology and Political Science. Some of the important issues which were covered in the presentation were challenges to development with reference to marginalized groups, problems of the aged, sufferings of women belonging to different social categories, dalit and tribal labourers, consumption of alcohol and its consequences, problem of suicide, crime against women, problem of livelihood with reference to tribes, decreasing status of medicinal plants and its negative consequences on tribes, reservations for dalits and its challenges, question of integration of Muslim population, problems of vulnerable tribal groups, issue of development and displacement with reference to tribes, roots and consequences of witchcraft and sorcery among tribes, domestic violence among tribes, problem of tribal women, agricultural labourer and so on. Most of these presentations were field based. Researchers adopted all the conventional methods and techniques of data collection. In several presentations 'book view' and 'field view' were systematically arranged. Paper presenters also underlined some new issues and areas which need attention for investigation during the era of globalization and the ongoing model of development.

Prof. C. Venkatchalam (Salem), Prof. R.N. Tripathy (Jaunpur), Prof. Diwakar Sharma (Sagar) and Prof. C.S.S. Thakur (Jabalpur) chaired first, second, third and fourth session respectively. The discussion ended with vote of thanks by Prof. S.N. Chaudhary, Convener. Summary of the presentation was prepared and edited by Dr. Manish Mishra and Sunil Kumar Yadav.

RC 22: Sociology of Armed Forces and Conflict Resolution

Convenor: Prof. Rajiv Gupta

Co-Convener- Dr. Sudhir Kumar

RC-22 Military Sociology/Armed Forces and Conflict Resolution conducted three technical sessions besides a business meeting. One special lecture was also delivered by Dr Rabindra Kumar, Indira Gandhi National Open University New Delhi on the women's inclusion in the armed forces. RC-22 originally received sixteen abstracts while two more were received on the spot. So total eighteen abstracts were received and five papers were presented. Among the presentation, Sudhir Kumar highlighted the challenges of gender integration in military in a masculine concept. With the help of notion of masculinity, he discussed male soldiers' subordination to the female officers' while working as their subordinate. V J Girisha and Rekha K Jadhav generated lot of interest among the participants as they raised the issue of awareness of welfare schemes among the war widows while Ramesh D Rathod discussed the social stigma faced by the widows in general and war widows in particular. Dr Vinita Lal emphasised on the issue of continuity and changes in the work in the background of induction of advanced technology in military. Harinandan Kushwaha highlighted the issue of secondary duties carried out by the military forces and its relationship with their routine work and daily life where he found positive relationship between the two.

Through these empirical papers, participants raised highly relevant issues of changes in the military culture, gender integration in the armed forces, issues of war widows, and constabulary missions performed by the military. During discussion session many relevant questions were raised and issues were delineated. New areas of research were also discussed.

In the absence of Convener Prof Rajeev Gupta, Co-Convener Sudhir Kumar convened the sessions and Dr Rabindra Kumar, IGNOU, New Delhi and Dr Vinita Lal, Lucknow chaired the sessions. However during the business session, our RC added two new members and the publication of news letter of the RC was also decided. It has also been decided to introduce best paper award in two categories: first for senior sociologist and second in the category of young sociologists' with effect from XXXXII All India Sociological Conference.

RC 23: Sociology of Law

Convenor: Dr. Rashmi Jain

The RC 23 received a total of 30 abstracts and 22 papers were presented in five sessions. In session I, held on 27Dec 2015, five papers were presented, chaired by Dr. Rashmi Jain, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur. Dr Jain helped in thought provoking discussion during paper presentations. Dr. Kaushik Raval's paper entitled "Women and Law: Less Victory and More Misery, With Special Reference to Crime against Women" analysed the data from NCRB and pointed out the lacunae in the dispensing of crime against women from a socio-legal perspective. Dr. Pradeepta Ranjan Pattanayak presented his views on "Women and Social Change in India: a Socio-Legal Perspective". Neena Rosey Kahlon and Ravi Inder Kaurin in their paper "Gender Inequality in Hindu Succession Act" examined inherent inequality in the succession Act. Dr Prerna Singh Lavania addressed the issue of Human trafficking.

The second session chaired by Prof. K.C Raval Director, School of Law, Gujarat University on the sub theme 'Law and Social Change' had four paper presentations. Research scholar Reenu Ram in the paper 'Same-Sex Sexualities, Section 377 and Civil Society in India' raised pertinent questions on the way law and society looks at the issue of same sex sexuality. Mr. Ajay Meharchandani, student from Mumbai university discussed 'Hindutva and Development: Legitimacy through Law'. Dr. Chandrashekhar B, Dharwad analysed the role of Law in Social Transformation in India. Dr Anju Bala presented paper on Ikekftd ifjorZu esa dkuwu dh Hkwfedk

Third session on 'Challenges of Diversity and Legal Initiatives' was chaired by Dr Rashmi Jain. Prof. (Dr) Jay Praksah Yadav, Chandigarh University addressed the issue of Legal Education In The Era Of Information and Communication Technology. Dr Sujit Surroch's paper was entitled "Stateways and Social Institutions: an Analysis". Narottam Bal, NLU, Jharkhand deliberated on the Sociology of Emancipation in context of newer Social Movements and the Judicial Response in Context of Queer Gender.

Fourth session was chaired by Dr. Sujit Kumar Surroch, Himachal Pradesh. Dr Rashmi Jain, Rajasthan University presented her views on 'Illegal Migration: What it means in the global world'? Dr. Shikha Sharma, ICSSR PDF, spoke on "Integrating Gender Issues in Socio-Economic, Legal Structures for Sustainable Urban Development". The issue of reservation as affirmative action was also discussed in the next paper. Dr. Shabnam Khan elaborated on the Codification for Ban on Triple Talaq in Muslim communities.

The fifth session was divided into two parts. There were 2 presentations followed by Business session. Dr. Hanamagouda C. spoke on the issue of “Resettlement of Project Displaced Policy in Karnataka: Insights of Ukp” while Dr Dinesh Vyas examined the issue of “Inclusive Education in India & Human Rights for Disable Child”. Dr Rashmi Jain was elected as the Convener for another 2 years- 2015-17. The issue of organizing a mid- term conference was also discussed and members were asked to explore the opportunity of holding the mid- term conference of RC 23 in their institutions.

RC 24: Sociology of Childhood and Youth

Convener: Prof. Bula Bhadra

This is our second meet as full-fledged RC after two years of being an AD-hoc group. Although we received 25 abstracts, in four sessions we had 22 presentations covering diverse aspects of Sociology of Childhood and Youth viz. Parent-child relationship with changing dimensions and nuances, intersectional analysis of body beauty and femininity of girl child and young women, impact of prayer in missionary schools, marginalization of differently abled children, continuation of child labour, state and child protection machinery, impact of globalization on Indian youth’s language practices, ICTS and digitized leisure of young, role of social media, ICTs and youth mobilisation, shopping mall as youths’ hangout, changing food habits of urban upper and upper middle class youth, altering perception of romantic love and premarital sex among young adults, youth and the phenomenon of rape and dialectic of youth culture and state etc.

The sessions were chaired by Dr. Piyali Sur, Dept. of Sociology, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, Dr. Manoj Kumar Jena, Dept. of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia University, Prof. Anita Dash, Dept. of Sociology, Ravenshaw University, and Prof. Bula Bhadra, Dept. of Sociology, University of Calcutta. There was a very dynamic and stimulating discourse among the participants. The whole process was intellectually challenging and gratifying. The domain name of our website is sociologyofchildhoodandyouth.org and it will very soon be operational as and when ISS website is linked with us. We had election held as we finished our two year period as RC. Prof. Bula Bhadra has been re-elected as Convener and Dr. Piyali Sur was elected as Co-Convener. Ms. Deepika Singh of Dept. of Sociology, University of Calcutta was elected as treasurer and the elected executive members were Prof. Ashish Saxena, Dept. of Sociology, University of Allahabad and Dr. B.P. Badola Dept. of Sociology, GCTE, Dharamshala. 20% subscription has been submitted to ISS office at Bhubaneswar.

Adhoc Groups

1. Sociology of Everyday Life

Convener: Prof. Abhijit Mitra

The Indian Sociological Society’s Adhoc group entitled *Sociology of Everyday Life* has started its journey in April 2015. The group organized a number of workshops and meetings before it met finally in Bhubaneswar in December 2015. The group had its first consultative workshop jointly organized by Netaji Open University and Sidhu-Kanhu University of Purulia at the Netaji Open University in Salt Lake, Kolkata. The workshop was well attended by sociologists from different parts of West Bengal. It had initiated brainstorming sessions among its participants. The group had its next two meetings separately organized by Department of Sociology of North Bengal University and Department of Sociology of St. Xavier’s College, North Bengal, both in the month of October 2015. Both the workshops were attended not only by senior professors and young sociologists, but also by a number of students from both institutions. Meanwhile the convener was invited by Department of Sociology of Burdwan University, West Bengal, Department of Sociology of Utkal University, Odisha, Department of Sociology, Sikkim Central University and Department of Sociology, Triupra Central University, Agartala, Tripura to discuss the nature and scope of Sociology of Everyday Life. The group finally met in Bhubaneswar, Odisha for Indian Sociological Society’s 41st All India Sociological Conference. The Adhoc Group had altogether five sessions spanning over all three days discussing issues ranging from theoretical questions at stake in the study of everyday life to various substantive themes. Senior sociologists and young scholars from all over India presented papers in these sessions. In addition a good number of undergraduate students presented papers and participated in the discourse. The Group had its business meeting at the end of the last academic session where it elected its office bearers which are as follows: Convener: Prof. Abhijit Mitra (Professor of Sociology ex

University of Burdwan, West Bengal); Co-Convener: Prof. Sanjay Roy (Professor of Sociology, North Bengal University); Secretary: Dr. Amites Mukhopadhyay (Associate Professor of Sociology, Jadavpur University, Kolkata); Treasurer: Dr. Soumyajit Patra (Assistant Professor of Sociology, Sidhu-Kanhu University, West Bengal); The membership of the Adhoc Group currently stands at 40 (forty only).

2. Sociology of Sports

Convener: Dr. Sanjay Tiwari

We received a total of 36 abstracts, and after editing these were sent to the Organizing Secretary of the Conference for publication. The abstracts were Pan India in nature, as should be centric of any Committee. Presentations, 29 in number, covered delegates from the States of Tamil Nadu, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Manipur, New Delhi, Karnataka, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh etc., and one from South Africa. We also received one abstract from Pakistan, but the delegate could not make it to India to attend.

The areas on which we deliberated upon were discrimination in sports, gender discrimination, beginning of the Sociology of Sports in India, social inequality, interconnection between leisure and sports etc. A panel discussion was also organized which was attended by Prof. Kiran Odhav, Sr. Lecturer, North West University, Mmbathu, South Africa, Dr. (Mrs.) Padma Prakash, Dr. Vishesh K Gupta and Dr. Sanjay Tiwari.

In our business meeting, Dr. Sanjay Tiwari as Convener, Dr. Vishesh Kumar Gupta, Assoc. Prof. (Sociology), MGPG College, Moradabad as Co-Convener, Ms. Saheli Chowdhury, Doctoral Candidate, University of Calcutta as Treasurer were elected for a two year term, i.e. 2016, 2017. The Executive Committee elected consists of Dr. BN Mishra, Assoc. Prof. (Sociology), LN Mithila University, Dr. Usha Rana, Asst. Prof, HS Gour Central University, Sagar, Dr. Rakesh Kr. Tiwari, Asst. Prof, BIT, GIDA, Gorakhpur, Dr. Kumar Vivek Kant, Post-Doctoral Fellow, BHU, Dr. Sanjukta Das, Asst. Prof, Kendrapara Automous College, Kendrapara, Odisha and Dr. Prashant Singh, Assoc. Prof. (Sociology), Pauri Garhwal, Uttarakhand.

A decision was taken to include a call for submission of full papers and web publishing with the E-Social Sciences and then to proceed with the print publications. The Convener is also in touch with the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India to get "Sports Sociology" added in their portfolio for the purpose of academic teaching, research, travel grants, conferences, publications etc. We expect a positive outcome and this will prove to be a milestone.

It will be our endeavor to come out with an E-Newsletter this year and also to hold a Mid Term review conference.

3. Ethnicity and Minority Studies

Convener: Dr. Arvinder A. Ansari

At the 40th Indian Sociological Society annual conference held at Mahatma Gandhi Kashi Vidyapith, Varanasi, from 29th November- 1st December 2014, a group of scholars came together to formally initiate a new research committee which was subsequently titled as 'Ethnicity and Minority Studies'. The first inaugural address of research committee was delivered by Prof Imtiaz Ahmad (formerly at Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University). The session was chaired by the president of Indian Sociological Society, Prof Anand Kumar. It was attended by about fifty scholars belonging to different research areas. At present Ethnicity and Minority Studies is working as an ad-hoc group.

Although the ad-hoc committee came into existence in 2014, preoccupation with constituting a separate research committee addressing the problems of ethnic and minority groups was going on since the Dharwad ISS Annual conference and again resubmitted to Prof. Anand Kumar at the 37th ISS conference, held at Jawaharlal Nehru University, in 2011. With the active support and encouragement received from him, the group constituted an ad-hoc committee and also elected a provisional Board. The following resolution was carried unanimously: a new Research Committee to be called 'Ethnicity and Minority Studies' should be established by ISS. More than 20 members of ISS belonging to different research and academic institutes supported the proposal. The provisional Board elected in Varanasi is headed by the Convener Dr Arvinder A. Ansari (New Delhi). The Board also consists of a co-convener, secretary, treasurer, and three executive members.

We organized a very successful mid-term national conference on the theme *Shifting Paradigm: Re-envisioning Minority Issues and Minority Studies in India*, in Jamia Millia Islamia, in September 2015, with support from ICSSR. In it about 40 papers were presented and we also had 4 panel discussions on different aspects of minority studies and the problems faced by ethnic groups in India. We are in the process of bringing a volume out of the papers presented. It is under publication.

41st AISC (Bhubaneswar) is the second year of this ad-hoc RC. We received 37 abstracts. Approximately 30 papers were presented in five technical sessions, under the following themes: *Preserving Diversity: A cross-cultural Perspective Minorities Exclusion and Inequality; Challenges to Minority Rights and identity*; It was first time that two joint sessions were held with RC 10 Gender and Society, 11 papers were presented in the joint sessions. The discussions were held and debated with academic vibrancy. There were two special lectures. One was by Dr. K Gulam Dasthagir (Pondicherry University) on 27 December, on “*Researching Minorities*”. The other lecture was delivered by Prof. Ranu Jain (TISS) on 29 December, on the theme of “*Methodology for Doing Research on Minorities*”.

Prof. Anand Kumar, President ISS, also addressed the RC members reflecting upon the importance of addressing the issues of marginality and the quest for identity with special reference to new emerging minorities like LGBT. We are happy to inform all that proceedings of our midterm seminar and the papers presented at KIIT will be published after peer review.

4. Mother and Motherhood

Convenor: Prof. Samita Manna

At the outset the convener of the newly formed ad-hoc group on “*Mother and Motherhood*”, Professor Samita Manna, expressed her heartiest thanks to the former members of the executive committee for their whole hearted cooperation in forming this ad-hoc group. “*Mother and Motherhood*” becomes an emerging domain of sociological inquiry in the 21st Century as the whole concept of ‘*Mother and Motherhood*’ has been changing fast across cultures. This ad-hoc group also received overwhelming responses from the scholars and social scientists during 41st All India Sociological Conference held at KIIT University, Bhubaneswar from 27th December to 29th December, 2015. Altogether 42 abstracts covering various facets of the institution of motherhood were received by the ad-hoc group. Out of these 42 abstracts, 35 papers were presented in 5 technical sessions.

The papers were arranged thematically according to five major themes. These are –1. Conceptual and theoretical discourses of motherhood; 2. Methodological issues on understanding motherhood; 3. Motherhood as a cultural construct: tradition to modernity; 4. Changing motherhood from the perspective of modern connotations; 5. Problems and prospects of mother and motherhood

The first technical session was started with the welcome address by Professor Samita Manna. She also appraised the audience about the methodological issues involved in the study of mother and motherhood.

A special lecture was arranged and it was delivered by Professor Biswajit Ghosh, Department of Sociology, Burdwan University (West Bengal). His enlightening speech enriched the participants and helped them understand the gravity of the challenges involved in the study of mother and motherhood.

Before this national meet, the ad-hoc group organized in collaboration with the Department of Sociology, University of Kalyani (West Bengal) a workshop to sensitize the scholars about the issues related to the study of this emerging field, on 16 September, 2015.

At the end of the technical session one, Business meeting was convened in which a full-fledged committee was formed to carry on the activities of this ad-hoc group. In the presence of all the members of the ad-hoc group it was decided to organize one mid-term national seminar. Finally, the convener expressed her heartfelt thanks to all the executive members of the ISS and all the members of the host institution at the end of the seminar.

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(from 27.12.2015)

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ISS RC 10 Gender Studies
Midterm Seminar on
Globalization & Women: Issues and Concerns
(14-15 September, 2016)

organised by
Department of Sociology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi

Venue of the Seminar

The proposed seminar is a midterm seminar of the RC 10 of Indian Sociological Society and is being organized jointly with the Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi- the University which is celebrating its 100th year in 2016.

Objective of the Seminar

The main objective of the seminar is to critically assess, through objective and impassionate analysis the issues and concerns of the women vis-à-vis globalization. This would help develop an understanding of the phenomenon and ways to address the concerns of women in a globalized landscape.

The sub-themes of the Seminar are as follows:

1. Globalization and Women: Theoretical Perspectives and Emerging Discourses
2. Globalization, International Migration and Feminization of Labour
3. Globalization, Environment and Women
4. Globalization, MNCs and Women
5. Globalization and Violence against Women
6. Globalization and Women in developing countries with special reference to India
7. Globalization and Women: Policies, Programmes and Actions for inclusive growth

Submission of the Abstract

The theme of the seminar being interdisciplinary in nature, scholars from different disciplines can send their abstract for the seminar. A soft copy of the abstract not exceeding 300 words should be sent to the **Organizing Secretary** of the seminar at the email: midterm2016rc10iss@gmail.com. The abstract should mention the sub-theme under which the author intends to present the paper along with the title of the paper, author's name, institutional affiliation, email address and the contact number.

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