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Letter from the President.

Dear Members,

At the outset, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all members for placing their trust in me and electing me as the President of the Indian Sociological Society. I accept this responsibility with humility and a deep sense of commitment to upholding the values, integrity, and collective spirit of our academic community.

We are all aware that this mandate comes at a time when the Society has been engaged in important discussions and is also navigating certain legal challenges. While I understand these developments may feel unsettling and understandably raise concerns, I would like to assure all members that these matters are being addressed with due diligence, utmost care and professional help with the best interests of the Society in mind. I remain hopeful that these issues will be resolved at the earliest, enabling the Society to emerge stronger and more united with the cooperation of members of the Managing Committee.

Despite these challenges, it is a matter of great pride that this year marks the **75th year of Indian Sociological Society (ISS)**. To commemorate this significant milestone, the Society will celebrate its **Diamond Jubilee** by organizing a series of academic activities across different regions of the country, including lectures, seminars, workshops, and conferences. These initiatives will celebrate our rich disciplinary legacy while fostering engagement with contemporary sociological concerns.


The Indian Sociological Society organized memorial meetings to honour the passing of eminent sociologists such as T. K. Oommen, André Béteille, P. K. B. Nayar, and Naresh Kumar Bhargava, among others. Their pioneering contributions and enduring influence have left an indelible mark on the field of Indian sociology. On behalf of the Indian Sociological Society, I extend our heartfelt condolences and pay tribute to their remarkable legacy, which will continue to inspire generations of scholars to come.

I firmly believe that the strength of the Society lies in its commitment to dialogue, mutual respect, and scholarly engagement. It is my earnest endeavour to work with all of you to foster an inclusive and supportive environment, where every voice is heard and every difference is addressed with professionalism and dignity.

The Society has always stood as a vibrant platform for advancing sociological inquiry, promoting academic dialogue, and addressing pressing social issues. This collective strength is sustained by the dedication of its members, particularly through the endeavours of our Research Committees, whose contributions—whether in research, teaching, or public engagement—

I am also pleased to share that the Society has submitted an Expression of Interest to the International Sociological Association for hosting the **XXII ISA World Congress of Sociology (2031)** in India. This reflects our collective aspiration to position Indian sociology more prominently on the global academic stage. We remain committed to transparency and timely communication. Updates regarding meetings, reports, and other important matters will be shared regularly. I look forward to your continued cooperation and valuable suggestions as we work together to take the Society to even greater heights.

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dipti Ranjan Sahu". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name.

Prof. Dipti Ranjan Sahu

President, ISS (2026-2027)

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