



NEW FRONTIERS IN SANSKRIT  
AND INDIC KNOWLEDGE  
RE-CLAIMING PASTS AND RE-VISIONING FUTURE

**3 Day International Conference On**

**HUMAN DEVELOPMENT &  
INDIAN KNOWLEDGE TRADITIONS**

**Date**

**Pre-Conference Workshops**  
December 14-15, 2019

**Conference**  
December 16-18, 2019

**Venue**

Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth,  
Veliyanad, Ernakulam, Kerala, India



## Context

Going beyond silos and contrived dichotomies, there is a need to view human development as a whole and in a context. The questions of human development embedded in harmony with the culture will enable us iterate on the continuity of the Indian Knowledge Systems, its present relevance and its integration with contemporary human development concerns. Thus, there is a need to re-claim the pasts and re-vision the future. The international conference titled, 'Human Development and Indian Knowledge Traditions', proposes to examine the relevance and contributions on Indian Knowledge traditions in Health, Education and Well-being. We invite cutting edge and good quality papers and presentations on these tracks.

## Organising Committee

**Convenor: Prof. Gauri Mahulikar – Dean**

## Committee Members:

**Dr. Shilpa Pandit (Coordinator), Dr. Harisundar G, Dr. Sudarshan Chiplunkar, Dr. Sandhya Shankar, Dr. Anil Narayanan, Dr. Abha Mohan, Dr. Ramakrishna Pejathaya, Dr. Bindusree, Dr. Sathish Varma**

## Track Themes

### Indian Knowledge Traditions and Contemporary Education Systems

#### Indicative Sub-Themes

- Child development and sensory experiences
- Child development and food/nutrition
- Child development and play/social nurturing
- Story-telling, myths, language and cognition
- Early childhood and School education: Curriculum and Pedagogy
- Alternative Education Exemplars in Indian context - Sri Aurobindo, Krishnamurti, Nai Talim
- Integrating IKT in Curriculum: Challenges and Opportunities
- Integrating IKT in Pedagogy: Challenges and Opportunities
- Values, Meaning making and spirituality among youth and adults
- Integrating IKT insights into research and policy

### Indian Health Perspectives and Contemporary Health Systems

#### Indicative Sub-themes

- Indigenous Health Perspectives and Public Health (AYUSH) : Challenges and opportunities
- Yoga and Āyurveda : Mental Health and Quality of Life
- Yoga and Āyurveda: Lifestyle, NCDs and health promotion
- Existing Yoga, Āyurveda and Health Psychology academic curricula: Gaps and possible reformulations; Model curricula
- Indian Approaches to Counseling: Triangulating Yoga, Āyurveda and Jyotiṣa
- Theoretical and Pragmatic Challenges in integrating IKT with contemporary health perspectives
- Perspectives in Health: Mindfulness, Bhakti, Tantra and Mantra meditation approaches

# Consciousness and Well-being: Indian Perspectives On Knowing And Being

## Indicative Sub-Themes

- Puruṣārtha-s
- Yoga and Advanced Meditation States
- Prasthāna Traya: Applications of Upaniṣadic models, conceptualisation and perspectives in contemporary context
- Prasthāna Traya: Reflecting and contemplating on Brahmasūtra and its relevance in contemporary context
- Prasthāna Traya: Applications of Bhagavad-Gītā in contemporary contexts
- Consciousness as Identity: Enquiry in Advaita and its practical implications

## Eminent Speakers

- ▶ Prof. Shekhar Mande – Director General, CSIR, Delhi
- ▶ Prof. Narayanan Srinivasan – University of Allahabad
- ▶ Prof. Girishwar Mishra – Ex-VC Mahatma Gandhi, Antarrastriya Hindi Vishvavidyalaya, Wardha
- ▶ Prof. Kiran Kumar – University of Mysore
- ▶ Prof. Dharm Bhawuk – University of Hawaii
- ▶ Dr. Latha Sathish – Managing Trustee Krishnamacharya Yoga Mandiram, Chennai, India
- ▶ Prof. Nandita Chaudhary – Ex-HoD, Lady Irvin College, University of Delhi
- ▶ Prof. Rajen Gupta – MDI Gurugram
- ▶ Prof. Leelavati Krishnan – IIT-Kanpur
- ▶ Prof. Aashish Pandey – IIT-Bombay
- ▶ Prof. Kumar Ravi Priya – IIT-Kanpur

## Pre-Conference Workshop

Two pre-conference Workshops are being planned.

- Two-day workshop on 'Qualitative Research Methodologies' – anchored by Prof. Kumar Ravi Priya, will be held from December 14-15, 2019
- Two-day workshop on 'Research Methodologies for Indian knowledge Traditions' – anchored by Prof. Dharm Bhawuk, University of Hawaii, USA will focus on methodologies to bring to surface key concepts in the Indian knowledge traditions.

Both the Workshops will immensely benefit researchers, scholars and students of psychology, education, health studies, economics and management. The Workshop size will be limited to 25 participants.

## Accommodation Details

- Accommodation within CVV campus in hostels will be on first-come-first-served twin-sharing basis. The charge for CVV hostel accommodation is Rs. 900/ day, includes breakfast and dinner.
- Arrangements will be made for subsidised room charges in hotels near CVV campus or in Kochi. Several star as well as budget hotel accommodations are available in Kochi, if the participants so desire.
- Lunch is included in the registration fee.

## Come, Join us, Let us think and work together!!

We invite papers in English and Sanskrit from scholars and thinkers, practitioners and community members on the above mentioned indicative sub-themes and themes. We invite Symposia and Panels from groups of scholars and practitioners as well. The Conference will feature intellectually stimulating Plenary Sessions and Keynote Talks by eminent speakers, researchers and thinkers. Detailed Schedule of the Conference will follow shortly. Come, be a part of this Jñānamanana!!

## Registration details

Registration Type	Early Bird (Before 15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2019)	Normative (before 30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2019)	On the Spot	In (\$)
Pre-Conference Workshop	₹3500	₹4000	₹4750	\$100
Conference Registration	₹3500	₹4000	₹4750	\$100
Participation in both Pre-conference Workshop + 3-day Conference	₹4750	₹5200	₹6000	\$150

\*(Accommodation charges are separate)\*\* All fees are inclusive of GST@18%

## Important Dates

Registration and Start of Abstract Submission	July 01, 2019
Deadline for Submission of Abstracts	October 30, 2019
Acceptance of Abstracts	November 10, 2019
Full Paper Submission Deadline	November 30, 2019
Acceptance of the Papers	November 30, 2019
Last Date for Registration/ Participation	November 30, 2019

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