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Jointly organize

Annual National Conference on
**"NEW VISTAS IN SOCIAL WORK:
NAVIGATING THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE IN
EDUCATION, RESEARCH, AND PRACTICE"**

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**Karnataka State Open University Campus &
University of Mysore
Mysuru, Karnataka
India**

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Welcome from the Organizers

We cordially invite our esteemed colleagues and professionals to the Annual National Conference of the Indian Society of Professional Social Work (ISPSW), jointly organized by the Departments of Studies in Social Work, Karnataka State Open University and University of Mysore. Scheduled from May 16 to May 18, 2024, at the Mukthagangotri, Karnataka State Open University and Manasagangotri Campus, University of Mysore, This event aims at exploring '***New Vistas in Social Work: Navigating the Changing Landscape in Education, Research, and Practice***'. With sub-themes, including Indian Standards, Indic Models, UN Sustainable Development Goals, Advances in Research and Practice, and Social Work Innovations, the conference promises a dynamic exchange of ideas. We eagerly anticipate your enriching participation.

Karnataka State Open University (KSOU)

KSOU Established in 1992 under the State Legislature Act, and accredited with **NAAC A+**, is a pioneering efforts in Open and Distance Learning(ODL) institution. Its motto, "**HIGHER EDUCATION FOR EVERYONE, EVERYWHERE,**" aligns with national objectives of accessibility, equity, quality, affordability, and accountability in higher education. Currently there are about 40,000 students pursuing their higher education across 23 regional centers of KSOU which is serving the state educational needs. Led by the Governor of Karnataka, KSOU has built a robust academic and administrative infrastructure, offering quality UG and PG programs like B.A, B.Sc, B.Com, BBA, BCA, B.Lib, BSW, B.Ed, MA, M.Sc, MBA, M.Com, MSW, MCA, M.Lib, Media Studies, and Education. Admission, done bi-annually, follows UGC-DEB guidelines, with online access to study materials and student support services like skill development centers, training, and counselling, making KSOU a preferred choice for distance learners.

University of Mysore

Established on July 27, 1916, the University of Mysore is the sixth oldest in India and the first in Karnataka. Founded by Maharaja Shri Nalvadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar IV and Diwan Sir M. Visvesvaraya, it was the country's first university established beyond British India. Accredited by NAAC with Five Star Status in 2000, the university aims to realize its vision by 2025 through innovative programs and interactive learning environments. The emblem's motto, "Nothing is equal to knowledge" and "I always uphold the truth," reflects its commitment to knowledge and truth.

The main campus, "Manasagangotri," spans 739 acres, complemented by Tubinakere, Hemagangotri, and Chamarajanagara campuses. With 85 PG departments offering over 150 programs, the university hosts more than 120,000 students and boasts numerous affiliated colleges, research centers, and international collaborations, welcoming students from around 50 countries.

Departments of Social Work

The Department of Studies in Social Work at KSOU commenced its journey in the academic year 2023-24, propelled by a visionary mission to extend the reach of social work across the state. With a steadfast commitment to quality education, the Department aims to excel in Social Work. It is dedicated to delivering superior education through open and distance learning, employing a multifaceted approach and comprehensive services to connect with marginalized communities. Emphasizing social work values and ethics, the department endeavors to enhance services in social welfare sectors, fostering positive impacts on society.

The Department of Studies in Social Work at the University of Mysore has a rich history dating back to 1967 when it initiated the Professional Social Work Programme leading, to a Master's Degree at the School of Social Work, Roshini Nilaya, Mangalore. In 1977-78, a two-year PG course in Social Work (MSW) commenced under the Chairpersonship of Late Prof. C. Parvathamma. In January 1990, the University established an independent Department of Studies in Social Work to bolster research and training activities in the field. The department actively guides Ph.D. students and conducts research projects sponsored by various organizations. It also emphasizes soft skills training, campus placements, workshops, and student-led forums for holistic development.

Indian Society of Professional Social Work (ISPSW)

The Indian Society of Professional Social Work (ISPSW), formerly known as the Indian Society of Psychiatric Social Work, was established in 1970. The ISPSW, in its 52 years of existence, has conducted many Annual National Conferences (ANC) at various universities and reputed institutions across India. In addition, ISPSW regularly publishes the National Journal of Professional Social Work.

About the Conference

Social Work plays a pivotal role in addressing the dynamic challenges of our society, As we navigate through an ever-changing landscape, exploring new dimensions in Social Work education, practice, and research are imperative. The field of Social Work in India has undergone significant transformations in recent years, driven by changing societal dynamics, emerging challenges, and evolving methodologies.

These changes foster dialogue amongst practitioners, academics, research scholars and students. It also aims to provide a vibrant platform for professionals and stakeholders in Social Work to join together, share insights, and foster collaborations. It would identify the best practices, innovative approaches in Social Work, disseminate research findings to augment evidence-based practices, and develop recommendations for future policy and practices in Social Work education, by exploring emerging trends and innovative practices. This conference helps in enhancing the quality and effectiveness of Social Work in India and beyond.

Sub - Themes

- Indian Standards for Social Work Education, Practice and Research
- Indic Social Work Education, Practice and Research Models
- Values and Code of Ethics for Social Work Practitioners in India
- Social Work and Public Health
- Social Work and Mental Health
- Social Work and National Education Policy 2020
- Social Work and Artificial Intelligence
- Global agenda for Social Work and Social development
- Social Work promoting Community and Environmental Sustainability
- Social Work Practice with Vulnerable and Marginalized Communities
- Social Work and Tribal Development
- Social Work Practice in Institutional and School Settings
- Social Work practice in Industrial Setting
- Social Work practice in Career Planning
- Social Work practice in Skill and Capacity Building
- Social Work and UN Sustainable Development Goals
- Social Work and Water, Sanitation and Hygienic Practices (WASH)
- Teaching Innovations in Social Work
- Advances in Social Work Research and Practice
- Social Work Practice Innovation through Technology in the Digital Age
- Social Work Research Agenda for Social Innovations
- Social Work and Climate Change
- Social Work with Children, Adolescents and Youth
- Skills Development in Social Work Education and Practice
- Youth Development Disability and Rehabilitation

ISPSW ANC-2024 Best Paper Awards

- ISPSW Best Paper Award for Social Work Faculty
- ISPSW Best Paper Award for Social Work Practitioner
- ISPSW Best Paper Award for M. Phil/ Ph.D Scholars of Social Work
- ISPSW Best Paper Award for BSW/MSW/ MA Social Work Student(s)
- Visva Bharati Best Paper Award for Practitioner in the field of Persons with Disabilities (in relation to conference theme)
- Roshni Nilaya, School of Social Work Best Paper Award for MSW/ MA Social Work Student(s) in Child Mental Health
- Dr. G. S. Udaya Kumar Memorial Best Paper Award for a Social Work Practitioner in Family Studies
- Dr. M. Chandrasekhar Rao Memorial Best Paper Award for M. Phil/ Ph.D Scholars in the field of Social Work Research

ISPSW Best Paper Award Norms

- All life members are eligible to contest for various awards.
- A Member who has received an award earlier is not eligible to contest for the award for two consecutive annual national conferences.
- The first author of the award paper only has to make the presentation.
- Soft copies of the entire paper are to be submitted with the cover letter to the High Power Committee of ISPSW through an email: ispsw2024conf@gmail.com mentioning clearly the award category on or before **30th April 2024**
- Original research articles which have not been published in any other journal only would be considered for the Award category.

Deadlines for Submission of Abstracts and Full Papers

Last date for Abstract Submission : 20.04.2024

Last date for Full Paper Submission : 30.04.2024

Last date for Registration : 20.04.2024

Registration Acceptance & Confirmation : 22.04.2024

Full Paper submission for ISPSW award categories : 30.04.2024

Guidelines for Abstract Submission

- Abstracts are invited for free paper presentations and award papers.
- Abstract should NOT be more than 250 words with headings such as introduction, methodology, results, conclusion and keywords (3-5 keywords).
- The abstract should contain the title of the paper, name(s) of the author(s), designation and institutional affiliation of authors, contact details (e-mail ID & phone number) of the presenting author at the end of the abstract.
- **Conference Registration is mandatory for all the presenting authors.**

Guidelines for Abstracts and Full paper Submission

- Full Paper should NOT be more than 3000 words with headings such as introduction, methodology, results, discussion and conclusion.
- A maximum of two tables and one figure can be appended separately.
- Referencing style: APA 7th Edition
- Declaration by the author regarding conflict of interest and ethical clearance are must.
- Abstract and Paper must contain the title of the Paper, name, designation, institutional affiliation of authors, and contact details (Email ID & contact address) of the presenting author.
- Abstract and Paper should be in Times New Roman style, with font size 12 and 1.5 spacing in a single file in MS Word format.
- Abstract and full paper should be sent to: ispsw2024conf@gmail.com

Registration for the Conference

Category	Till 20th April 2024 Early Bird		21th April 2024 onwards
	BSW & MSW Students	₹ 600	₹ 750
M.Phil & Ph.D Scholars	₹1,500	₹1,750	₹1,750
Faculty and Practitioners	₹1,750	₹2,000	₹2,000
Developing Country/SAARC/APR	\$60	\$ 75	\$ 75
Developed Countries	\$60	\$ 75	\$ 75

**ISPSW Life Members need to quote their LM number for availing concession in Registration (More than one paper presentation additional Rs. 500 per paper shall be payable with Registration fee)*

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The concerned committee will make arrangements based on prior requests and subject to availability, with payments to be made in advance. Additionally, as Mysuru city is a hub of heritage, lodging facilities are available for those who prefer to make their own arrangements.

How to reach?

By Road: Mysuru by road via well-connected highways like NH275, with scenic drives from any direction; buses and personal vehicles make it easily accessible from major cities..

By Train: The Conference venue is 5 kms away from Mysuru Junction, and is linked directly with major Indian cities by train

By Air: Kempegowda International Airport in Bengaluru is 170 km away; continue to Mysuru by road or rail. Mysuru also has Mysore Airport; confirm flights from your location directly.

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