



3rd INDIAN SOCIAL WORK CONGRESS 2015

Congress Theme:

**Community Engagement, Social Responsibility
and
Social Work Profession**

Jointly organised by

**National Association of Professional Social Workers in India (NAPSWI)
and Department of Social Work, Jain Vishva Bharati, Ladnun**

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Silver Jubilee Year

Welcome

Dear Friends

Welcome to the 3rd Indian Social Work Congress (ISWC) 2015.

We are pleased to invite you to be a part of 3rd Indian Social Work Congress, 2015 at Ladnun, Rajasthan. In the previous consecutive years, we had organised two grand ISWCs at Delhi (2013) and Pune (2014) respectively. The Indian Social Work Congress is primarily meant to introspect within, reflect upon and highlight the various social concerns and challenges confronting the social work profession. This time, the theme of 3rd ISWC 2015 is **Community Engagement, Social Responsibility and Social Work Profession**.

The suggestive theme wishes to bring together people associated with the discipline of social work in one common platform where deliberations on issues and concerns of community engagements and social responsibilities emanating out of the contemporary persona and discourses of the profession would be undertaken. As a collective exercise, this congress would use both the lenses of introspection and audit to gaze at its achievements and lacunae that the profession has encountered in its due course of practice in India, followed by the development of collaborative and participative methodologies to revisit the present and emerging trends. We believe that this, indeed, is the opportune moment for all of us to reflect and respond to the changing social-political realities of the times and this forum is the most evocative way of engaging with this objective.

We are confident that 3rd ISWC shall certainly provide an excellent juxtasposition to all - social work educators, researchers, activists and practicing professionals - to share their views and experiences on one platform. Being the host of the 3rd Indian Social Work Congress, we also believe that this shall be personally enriching and professionally productive engagement for each one of us. We wish to express our deepest gratitude to NAPSWI for granting us this opportunity to host this remarkable event.

We look forward to welcome you at Ladnun. Let us make this endeavour the best occasion for the social work profession.

In solidarity

Prof. R. B. S. Verma
Organising Secretary
Local Organising Committee

About the Congress

The Indian Social Work Congress is an initiative of National Association of Professional Social Workers in India (NAPSWI). With humble beginning at Delhi University in 2013, the second Congress took place in 2014 at University of Pune. In the same series, it is being organised for the third time by Department of Social Work to mark the silver jubilee of Jain Vishva Bharati Institute (JVBI), Ladnun, Rajasthan. The purpose of ISWC is to bring the fraternity of professional social workers together to discuss and deliberate upon the issues related to the social work education, practice and research in India. It aims to strengthen the social work profession to ensure social justice and human rights for all and to deliberate and record the response of the profession with regard to various social concerns and challenges. Specifically, the 3rd ISWC 2015 aims at the achievement of the following objectives:

1. To provide a platform to social work professionals to discuss and deliberate on the issues related to social justice, social work education, research and practice.
2. To address various aspects of community engagement, social responsibility vis-a-vis social work profession in the changing socio-political and economic context.
3. To share and exchange experiences among social work educators, researchers and practitioners in order to strengthen the social work profession.

Thematic Engagement of 3rd ISWC 2015:

The theme of 3rd ISWC 2015 “Community Engagement, Social Responsibility and Social Work Profession” has emerged from the contemporary concerns in the present democratic society and in consonance with social work values. The community engagement has been one of the core components of this practice based profession. The emergence of new economies in Asia, newer paradigm of information technology and significant dominance of the market economy has impacted life and living of common people and marginalized groups, governance, services, civility and civil society, the ethics and social responsibility. This has also increased the roles and responsibility of the profession to a major extent. The profession, therefore, emerged as being one of the human service institutions engaged in service, committed action and betrothed practice. In the current social scenario, various instances of violations of human rights and social justice are reported every minute and hence there is no iota of doubt at the role of various stakeholders such as corporate, social service organizations, government, civil society organisations are immense. Further, we all as individuals or institutions, are searching ways and means for realising the constitutional mandates. Moreover, it is quite relevant for a practice based profession like ours as it has to shoulder responsibility towards communities, especially vulnerable ones. Nowadays, these communities are also expecting justice and their rights from the higher educational institutions and other institutions as their social responsibility. Keeping in view the same, the University Grants Commission has also initiated a scheme for fostering social responsibilities and community engagement in universities. Recently, the Government has made social responsibility for the corporates as mandatory for contributing in the selected developmental task in a particular area as scheduled. Hence, both the profession and academia are engaged towards sustainability and social change.

Community engagement, civility, participatory structures, rights based approaches, people led governance may possibly be the major focus of twenty first century. One can also notice the growing interest of world communities towards sustainable development and similarly quite large number of funding organisations are actively engaging towards social responsibility and social change in India. In fact, the whole South Asia has become a funding gamut and various bilateral and multilateral agencies are engaging in huge projects aiming at sustainable development based on welfare and right based approaches of social work practice on multi dimensional issues. CSR is a significant initiative to bring communities and social responsibilities of business organisation in sync. As a socially responsive profession, we have grown out of engagement with multi-faceted communities developing new models, exploring new practice methods, organizing and integrating those into contemporary social work theories.

The Congress intends to deliberate upon contemporary community engagement models and practices bringing in rich and varied experiences of the practitioners and academicians at large on one hand and to discuss ways and means to inculcate and enhance social responsibility of different stakeholders on the other. The mandatory provisions of corporate social responsibility and its interface with social work profession shall require a broader examination in view of processes of former and stated objectives and ethical considerations of the later. At this juncture, where social work profession is undergoing major transformation from local to global level, 3rd ISWC 2015 shall pave the way to explore newer dimensions and directions.

Parellel Sessions:

1. Community Engagement and Social Responsibility in the Neo-liberal Economy

(Community structures and changing forms, models, practices and interventions, rights based approaches, community based innovations and initiatives, good governance, convergence, social situations - poverty, MGD to SGD and imperatives for social policy, social responsibility of state, market and civil society including religious and professional groups)

2. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Social Work Profession: Challenges and Responses

(Labour welfare to employees engagement to CSR, Basic assumptions in CSR, societal environment, responsiveness, socially responsive businesses and marginalized groups; responsibilities - philanthropic, legal, ethical and economical; debates and dissensions, CSR and social development - means, methods, models, management and measurement; challenges and responses of social work profession)

3. Civil Society, Democratic Spaces, Spirituality and Social Work Profession

(Voluntary sector in India, GOs-NGOs interface, foreign funding and shrinking Government responsibility, civil society organisations - NGOs, faith based groups, trade unionism and workforce in organised and unorganised sectors, decent work, SHG movement, micro-finance institutions, social entrepreneurship, traditional and emerging areas of social work practice)

4. Social Work Education : Identifying Challenges and Responses

(Social responsibility; social justice for different underprivileged groups, social work education - quality assurance and sustenance, curriculum development and quality of teaching, semester system vs annual mode of education, assesment and evaluation, field action research project, innovative field work practices, future of social work profession, professional organisations, licensing and accreditation; capacity enhancement and pedagogies; distance education in social work; Ethics in social work teaching and practice; opportunities in social work: lost and found, emerging areas of social work practice)

5. Empowering People and Social work Profession

(Social justice, social exclusion, rights of marginalised groups and communities – Dalits, tribals; disability, gender, children at risk, youth, older persons, HIV/AIDS, health and mental health, homeless people, majority- minority relations, LGBT community, human trafficking, immigrants, disaster impacted communities, climate change and justice; International social work - experiences, ideas and learnings, bridges with information communication technology (ICT), strategies for empowering people and integration of all.

ORGANISERS

The 3rd ISWC 2015 is being organised by NAPSWI and JVBI jointly and the details of both the organisations are as under:

National Association of Professional Social Workers in India (NAPSWI)

NAPSWI is a non - profit, non- political, national level organization dedicated to the promotion of standards and enhancement of the status of the social work profession. NAPSWI is one of the largest associations of social work professionals in India. NAPSWI was born in 2005, following the concerns of professional social workers to cater to the need of having an organisation at the national level. Since its inception, it has been making attempts to bring professional social workers on one platform so that a collective identity of the profession could emerge. NAPSWI intends to fulfill the twin purposes of promoting the social work profession within the country together with safeguarding and protecting the interests of social work professionals. Its Secretariat is located at CSRD, Institute of Social Work and Research, Ahmednagar and the office of the President is located at the Department of Social Work, University of Delhi.

Department of Social Work, Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Ladnun

Accredited by NAAC as A grade institution, the Jain Vishva Bharati Institute (JVBI) was accorded with the status of a “Deemed to be University” by the University Grants Commission (UGC) under Section 3 of the U.G.C. Act of 1956, in 1991. Running into **silver jubilee year**, JVBI is committed to provide highest quality of educational services to the utmost satisfaction of the students and give them an opportunity to cultivate an integrated personality backed by spirituality and moral values. JVBI is an endeavour in the direction of putting into practice, promote and propagate the high ideals of anekant, non-violence, tolerance and peaceful co-existence for the betterment of the humanity. JVBI is an academic platform for advanced studies, research, training and dissemination of Oriental & Conventional Philosophy, Religion,

Culture & Values, and Social Work. JVBI continuously strives hard to achieve in excellence training, extension and experimentation in various branches of learning compatible to the mission of the Institute. The motto of the Institute “Character building is the essence of Knowledge” permeates all its programmes and activities.

The Department of Social Work came into existence in July 1996 under the inspiration of Gurudev Tulsi, founder of the Anuvrat Movement. The arid landscape devoid of all diacritical marks of modernization, both promoting and polluting, was another reason to start social work course at JVBI. The Department of Social Work endeavours to promote a peaceful and inclusive social order through professional social work education and practice thereby its mission is to prepare students to become generalist social work professionals by enhancing their commitment to democracy, peace, human rights, people’s empowerment, social justice, and human diversity. As part of educational experience, the programme provides students with opportunities to develop appropriate attitudes, skills and critical perspectives imbued with spirituality in providing services in the public, corporate, non-profit development sectors and civil society. The department works with a priori belief that professional social work education imperatively needs an ethico-spiritual value underpinning. The aim of the whole exercise is to emancipate social work as far as possible from the shadow of dubious values of the West and ground it within the cultural paradigm of our own bedrock of eternal verities.

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Call for Papers

Papers are invited from the participants on any of the proposed sub-themes. We invite professional social workers in particular and others interested to submit the abstract online through our website. The abstract should not exceed 500 words and it should include the author's name, designation, affiliating institution, mailing address, contact no., e-mail ID, title of the abstract and text. We are open to accepting the abstract till 14th August 2015. Once the abstract is received, the acceptance will be communicated within seven days. Accepted abstracts of the registered delegates will be published in the book of abstracts. In case abstract is not accepted, the registration shall be valid for participation only.

We propose to have two kinds of presentation oral as well as poster presentation. Only selected papers will be accepted for presentation and should be accompanied by power point presentation and full paper in detail.

The length of full paper including tables, diagrammes, illustrations, references etc. should not be more than 5000 to 6000 words. The full paper should be in English and typed in MS-Word in Times New Roman with font size 12. Bibliographical references should be arranged alphabetically and given at the end of the text in the APA format (6th edition) only. (The guidelines are available on NAPSWI website. The full version of paper should be submitted in both hard and soft copy latest by 10th September, 2015. For submission of abstract/paper, please go to Registration tab on website. A committee will review the abstracts and the papers. Information regarding acceptance and presentation will be communicated to the authors subsequently. The selected papers will be published in an edited book.

Registration

Registration will be open from June 15, 2015. You are required to submit the Registration Form along with the abstract and the full paper online. Kindly register online via the Congress website www.napswi.org for initial registration, submission of abstract, and online payment.

Registration Entitlements

Delegates are entitled to:

- Admission to Opening Ceremony
- Admission to Technical Sessions
- Congress Satchel
- Abstract Book & Souvenir
- Free Accommodation
- Free transfer from Station
- Tea, Lunch and Dinner
- Admission to Social Programme
- Admission to Trade Exhibition
- Admission to Closing ceremony

Registration Fees

Category	Early registration (Upto 14 th August 2015)	*Delayed Registration (Upto 30 th August 2015)
NAPSWI Members	Rs. 2000	Rs. 3000
Non NAPSWI Members	Rs. 2500	Rs. 3500
Student Members*	Rs. 1000	None
Foreign delegates	400 USD	500 USD
On the spot registration	Rs. 3000	N.A.
Retired Teachers & Others	Rs. 1000	Rs. 2000

* Registration cannot be ensured for each one. However, we shall try to accommodate the aspirants depending upon the availability of seats. We request you to please follow our website in this regard. Students number are restricted to 100 (2-5 per institutions) only and strictly on first come first allot basis.

Payment

The payment can be made by bank transfer/RTGS in favour of Jain Vishva Bharati Institute at Oriental Bank of Commerce Branch Ladnun, Nagaur, Rajasthan, Account number 10272111000010 IFSC code : ORBC0101027.

To enable us to identify your payment through electronic transfer, please ensure your name and 3rd Indian Social Work Congress 2015 appears on your transfer and please email a copy of the transfer to the Congress Secretariat. Please note that the Congress will not be responsible for the charge of any bank fees associated with the transfer.

We will also accept Bank draft/ Multicity cheques in favour of Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Ladnun. You are requested to send the copy of the transfer/payment advice along with request for accommodation.

Social Programmes

Students' Forum: The Congress has planned a social work Students' Forum for student members of NAPSWI with the purpose to provide opportunity to budding social work professionals. The details will be communicated later on.

Information Exchange: The Congress will host a book and resource exchange table at the conference venue. You can exchange information with other colleagues. In addition to, print material, we will also accept information in digital form which will be uploaded on NAPSWI website. Please bring information to exchange with others. There are no limits or particular focus.

Book Release: The Congress will host Release of Books related to social work published during 2013 to 2015. The authors and/or publishers can submit their request for release of books. Each book release will be given 7-10 minutes time and will be chaired by eminent academician/practitioner This event will be a sponsored event. The Congress will encourage provision of special price of such books for the Congress delegates. A book comprising of the selected papers presented in 2nd ISWC 2015 will also be released.

Souvenir Auction and Sale: The NAPSWI will organise "Auction and Sale of gifted items/souvenirs for NAPSWI corpus fund" at Indian Social Work Congress 2015. Please remember to bring an item from your state/country that can be placed for sale or auctioned at the Congress Dinner. Tell your colleagues and encourage them to join in and support NAPSWI. Gift Items will be accepted at the special counter at the congress.

Accommodation Information

Congress organisers ensure modest accommodation to all participants upon prior request. Please put your requirement in the registration form.

How to reach Ladnun

Ladnun is well connected by road from Delhi, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Bikaner, Ajmer and Ahmedabad and by rail services from Delhi via Ratangarh on the Delhi-Bikaner route or via Kuchaman-Degana on the Delhi-Jodhpur route. Jaipur is the nearest airport for JVB, Ladnun.



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