

101st Sesion of IPC

Venue:

Department of Philosophy, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur

Dates

28-31st October 2026

Distinguished Speakers of the 101st Session
General President

Professor Raghunath Ghosh
Professor Emeritus, Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal Siliguri, West Bengal

Endowment Lectures

Pratap Seth Vedanta Lecture:

Prof. Shivani Sharma, Dept of Philosophy, Panjab University, Chandigarh

Swami Narayan Theistic Vedanta Lecture:

Prof. Hari Narayan Pandey, Former Professor & Head, Dept of Philosophy, B.R. Ambedkar Bihar University, Muzaffarpur, Bihar

Saiva Siddhanta Endowment Lecture:

Prof. K. Sampath Kumar, Former Head, Pachaiappa's college, Chennai

Buddha Jayanti Endowment Lecture:

Prof. Kusum Kumari, Former Vice-Chancellor, Magadh University, Bodh-Gaya, Bihar

Prof. G.P. Das Lecture on Intercultural and Interreligious Understanding:

Prof. Gopal Sahu, Head, Dept of Philosophy, Allahabad University, Prayagraj

Acharya Tulsi Endowment Lecture:

Prof. Rajkumar Chhabra, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur

Gujrat Vidyapeeth Lecture on Gandhian Philosophy & Peace:

Prof. Ramachandra Maji, Dept of Philosophy, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack, Odisha

Vallabha Vedanta Endowment Lecture:

Prof. Abha Singh, Former Pro Vice-Chancellor, B.N. Mandal University, Madhepura, Bihar

Khwaja M.A. Hay Lecture on Humanism:

Prof. Rajesh Kumar Chaurasia, Dept of Philosophy, Vasanta College for women, Rajghat, Varanasi

Endowment lecture on Holistic Science of Life & Living as revealed by Dada Bhagwan:

Dr.Satyajit Kalita, Post-Doctoral Fellow, HSRC, Surat

Department of Philosophy, Morigaon College, Assam

Professor T.R.V. Murti Endowment Lecture on Madhyamika Philosophy:

Prof.M.V. Krishnayya, Former Professor & Head, Dept. of Philosophy, Andhra University, AP

Sri Swami Gnanananda Saraswati Endowment Lecture:

Sri Srikumar Raman, Trustee, Sri Vishnu Mohan Foundation, Chennai

Professor Ashok Kumar Chatterjee Endowment Lecture:

Dr. Neeti Singh, Dept. of Philosophy, BHU, Varanasi

Prof. R.C. Pradhan Endowment Lecture:

Prof. N. Sreekumar, Dept. of HSS, IIT, Chennai

Prof. G.R. Malkani Endowment Lecture on Advaita Vedanta:

Prof. Anil Tiwari, Head, Dept. of Philosophy, Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar, MP

Prof. Daya Krishna Memorial Lecture:

Prof. Shail Mayaram, Eminent Historian and Former Professor, Centre for Study of Development Studies, New Delhi.

Prof. K.S. Murthy Memorial Lecture:

Prof. George Victor, Former Vice-Chancellor, Adikavi Nannaiah University, Rajamundry, A.P.

Sectional Presidents

History of Philosophy: Prof. Rajkshore Nath, Dept. of HSS, IIT, Mumbai

Logic & Scientific Method: Prof. Akoijam Thoibisana, Head, Dept. of Philosophy, Gauhati University, Assam

Metaphysics & Epistemology: Prof. Harish Navale, Head, Dept. of Philosophy, Pune University, Pune.

Ethics & Social Philosophy: Prof. Braj Bhushan Sharma, Former Head, Dept of Philosophy, Magadh University, Bodh-Gaya, Bihar

Religion: Prof. Mohan Debbarma, Dept. of Philosophy, Tripura University, Tripura

Symposium I – The Role of Philosophy in Evisioning “Viksit Bharat”

Prof. Shailendra kumar Singh, Dept. of Philosophy, Magadh University, Bodh-Gaya, Bihar

Prof. Prashant Shukla, Dept. of Philosophy, Lucknow University

Dr. Alok Tandon, Independent Researcher, Lucknow, UP

Dr. Rajiba Lochan Behera, Dept. of Philosophy, BHU, Varanasi

Dr. Shakuntala Bora, Dept. of Philosophy, Gauhati University, Assam

Symposium—II Environmental Crisis and the Idea of Environmental Citizenship

Dr. M. Vijayarathy, Dept. of Philosophy, Madras Christian College, Chennai

Dr. Himanshubala, Dept. of Philosophy, Janaki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi

Dr. Shimi C. Mani, Dept. of Philosophy, Allahabad University, Prayagraj

Dr. Tapan Kumar De, Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, Vidya Sagar University, Medinipur, West Bengal

Dr. Subra Jyoti Das, Dept. of Philosophy, Visva Bharathi, Shantiniketan. West Bengal

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30th Septemer 2026 is the last date for submission of abstracts of 200 words along with papers of not more than 1500 words (4 pages, double-spaced). Paper writers are requested to send their papers in Word and PDF to the Local Organizing Secretary, Dr. Anubhav Varshney, Head, Department of Philosophy, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur (Mobile: 9772242525, Email: hodphilosophyuniraj@gmail.com). with a copy to the General Secretary, IPC. (sipasel@rediffmail.com). They have to furnish proof of their membership of IPC while submitting papers in hard copy to the Local Organizing Secretary, Dr. Anubhav Varshney, Head, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur, Papers and abstracts received after this date will not be considered.

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B. N. Seal Memorial Essay Competition:

Topic: Philosophical Methodology for Positive Sciences

Dada Bhagwan Essay Competition:

Topic: Holistic Way of Life and Living

T.R.V. Murti Essay Competition:

Topic: Dialectical method of Madhyamika

Swami Pranavananda Essay Competition:

Topic: Spiritual Humanism

Students interested to participate in the essay competitions are requested to send two copies of typed essays (word limit 3000 words) duly forwarded by the Head of their Institutes/ Universities along with summaries in 200 words and proof of membership of IPC on any of the above topics to: Professor Dilipkumar Mohanta, 2AL2 Greenwood Nook, 369/2 Purbachal Kalitala Rd, Kolkata 700078. (Mobile: 8240243526, : dkmphil@gmail.com) by **30th Septemer 2026**

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Authors may send 3 copies of their books for the Book Award. Books published during 2025 and 2026 are considered for the award. Books for the above, must reach Professor Ananda Mishra, Department of Philosophy & Religion, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi – 221005. Mobile:9454867002 anandaphil@gmail.com by **30th Septemer 2026**.

The Departments of Philosophy of Universities, Institutes and Colleges may send their nominations, along with the bio-data of the nominees for the Swami Pranavananda Philosophy National Award which will be decided by the committee. Nominations are to be sent to the General Secretary of IPC (sipasel@rediffmail.com) with a copy to the Chairman, IPC. (ssachindra64@gmail.com)

Registration

The Registration fee for the 101st session of the Indian Philosophical Congress: Regular: Rs.4500/- Senior Citizen: Rs.3500/- Student: Rs 2500/- Foreigners: USD 100. Accommodation and food will be arranged for all registered participants from 27th to 31st October 2026. The Registration Fee should be paid online by electronic transfer like NEFT or IMPS in the name of M/s. Indian Philosophical Congress, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur, ICICI Bank Account No: 674701702991, IFSC Code: ICIC0006747, MICR Code; 302229018 University Campus, Bapu Nagar, Jaipur, 302004. The last date of registration is 30th September 2026. Spot registration is possible, but the delegates have to make their own arrangements for stay.