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27th-30th November, 2026

Programme of the 101st Session of The Indian Philosophical Congress, 27th-30th November 2026

General Theme: Sustainable Development and Ethos of Indian Culture in the 21st Century

Day I: 27th November 2026

8-00 to 9-30 am	**Breakfast and Registration**
9-30 to 11-05 am	**Inaugural Session** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
9-30 to 9-35 am	***Maṅgalācaraṇa*** **Vaidik: Dr. Devendra Kumar Sharma**
9-35 to 9-40 am	**Lighting of Lamp and Garlanding Vāgdevī; Kulagīta**
9-40 to 9-55 am	**Welcome of Guests-by, Organizing Secretary Dr. Anubhav Varshney, Prof. K. L. Sharma, Prof. Yogesh Gupta, Prof. Arvind Vikram Singh, Prof. Kamal Nayan, Prof. Raj Kumar**
9-55 to 10-05 am	**Introduction by Prof. S. Panneerselvam, General Secretary, Indian Philosophical Congress**
10-05 to 10-30 am	**101st Session General President Address:** ***Relevance of Indian Philosophy in Modern Times*** **by** **Prof. Raghunath Ghosh** **Emeritus Professor, North Bengal University, Darjeeling**
10-30 to 10-45 am	**Address by the Chief Guest**
10-45 to 11-00 am	**Chair Address,** **Prof. Bhagawati Prasad Saraswat** **Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Rajasthan**
11-00 to 11-05 am	**Vote of Thanks by Dr. Manish Sinsinwar**
11-05 to 11-20 am	**Tea Break**
11-20 to 12- 10 Noon	**Plenary Talk I: *Philosophy as Autobiography*** **by** **Prof. Nirmalya Narayan Chakraborty** **Hon'ble Chairperson ICPR, Vice Chancellor, Presidency University, Kolkata** **Chair: Prof. Dilipkumar Mohanta, Vice Chairperson, IPC,** **Former Vice Chancellor, Calcutta Sanskrit University** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**

12-10 to 1-00 pm	**Plenary Talk II: *World Philosophy in Japan: Rethinking the World and Philosophy*** **by** **Prof. Noburu Notomi** **Professor of Philosophy, Tokyo University, Japan** **Chair: Prof. Balaganapathy Devarakonda, University of Delhi** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**	
1-00 to 2-15 pm	**Lunch**	
2-15 to 4-15 pm	**Parallel Sectional Sessions-I** **Logic & Scientific Method:** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, R. No. 10, Library Hall** **Ethics & Social Philosophy:** **Venue: Room No. 11, Department of Philosophy, Seminar Hall** **Religion:** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, Room No. 12, Smart-Classroom** **History of Philosophy:** **Venue: Humanities Block- 1st Floor, R. No. 152, Seminar Hall, Department of Library Science** **Metaphysics and Epistemology:** **Venue: Humanities Block- 1st Floor, R. No. 122, Seminar Hall, Department of History & Indian Culture** **Session in Bangla** **Venue: Humanities Block-Ground Floor, R. No. 46, Psychology Department Seminar Hall**	
4-15 to 4-30 pm	**Tea Break**	
4-30 to 6-00 pm	**Endowment Lecture-I:** **Inaugural Prof. D. P. Chattopadhyaya Endowment Lecture on** ***Philosophical Contributions of D. P. Chattopadhyaya*** **by** **Prof. S. Shyamkishore Singh** **Former Professor, Manipur University**	**Endowment Lecture-II:** **Sri Swami Gana nanda Saraswati Endowment Lecture** **by** **Sri Srikumar Raman** **Trustee** **Sri Vishnu Mohan Foundation** **Chennai**
	Chair: Prof. S. Panneerselvam **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**	
	Endowment Lecture-III: Vallabha Vedanta Endowment Lecture **on** ***Status of Man in Vallabh Vedanta*** **by** **Prof. Abha Singh,** **Former Pro-Vice Chancellor,** **BNM University, Madhepura**	**Endowment Lecture-IV: Ācārya Tulsi Endowment Lecture** **on** ***Ācārya Kundakunda on 'Dharma – Yuddha'*** **by** **Prof. Raj Kumar Chhabra, JNV Jodhpur University**
	Chair: Prof. Laxmikanta Padhi, Treasurer, IPC, **North Bengal University, Darjeeling** **Venue: Suva Devi Maharshi Seminar Hall, Department of Philosophy**	

6-00 to 6-15 pm	**Tea Break**
6-15 to 7-15 pm	**IPC Executive Body Meeting** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, Room No. 11, Seminar Room**
7-15 to 8-15 pm	**Cultural Session:** **Rajasthani Folk Music** **by** **Group of Langa and Manganiyar Musicians from Jaisalmer** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
8-15 pm	**Dinner**

Sectional Presidents/Chairs

History of Philosophy: Dr. Saroj Kanta Kar, Utkal University

Logic & Scientific Method: Dr. Akoijam Thoibisana, Gauhati University

Metaphysics and Epistemology: Prof. Harish Navale, SP Pune University

Ethics and Social Philosophy: Prof. B. B. Sharma, Magadh University, Bodhgaya

Religion: Prof. Mohan Debbarma, Tripura University, Agartala

Tamil: Day-II: Dr. J. Thirumal, Annamalai University, Chidambaram

Day-III: Dr. K. R. Arumugam, Vivekananda College, Chennai

Bangla: Prof. Debika Saha, North Bengal University, Darjeeling

Hindi: Day II- Prof. Arvind Vikram Singh, University of Rajasthan

Day IV-Prof. D. N. Yadav, DDU Gorakhpur University

N. B.:

1. **Kindly keep your mobile phones on flight mode inside the venue.**
2. **Kindly do not take any photos or videos inside the venue.**
3. **Kindly do not request any prior listing/change in the schedule of your paper / lecture.**
4. **Each paper-presenter/delegate shall be given 12-15 minutes for paper presentation in the sectional sessions.**
5. **The schedule for paper presentation in the Sectional Sessions will be announced by the Sectional Chair in the concerned section on each day of the conference. If a delegate misses presenting the paper in the concerned section, a second chance may be given only if some spare time remains on the last day. Those who fail to present their paper may not be issued a certificate to this effect.**
6. **Venue for Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner on all four days: Lawns of Department of Philosophy.**

Day II: 28th November 2026

8-00 to 9-00 am	**Breakfast**
9-00 to 10-30 am	**Symposium -I** **on** ***The Role of Philosophy in Envisioning 'Viksit Bhārata'*** **Symposiasts: Prof. Prashant Shukla, Lucknow University, Dr. B. Devan, Pachaiyappa's College, Chennai, Dr. Alok Tandon, Independent Scholar, Dr. Rajib Lochan Behera, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Dr. Shailendra Kumar Singh, University of Allahabad, Prayagraj** **Chair: Prof. Namita Nimbalkar, Mumbai University** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
10-30 to 10-45 am	**Tea Break**
10-45 to 11- 45 am	**Key Plenary Talk-cum- Endowment Lecture-V** **Inaugural Pandit Badri Prasad Maharshi** **Endowment Lecture on Jaipur Philosophers:** ***दुःख-रस-मोक्ष-दर्शनम्: Pain, Poetry, the Moral Metaphysics of Misery and Mokṣa*** **by** **Prof. Arindam Chakraborty** **Former Professor of Philosophy, Hawaii University, USA** **Chair: Prof. Nirmalya Narayan Chakraborty, Hon'ble Chairperson, ICPR** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
12-00 to 1-00 pm	**Plenary Talk IV: *Pandit Madhusudan Ojha's Contributions to Indian Philosophy*** **by** **Prof. Sachchidanand Mishra, Member Secretary, ICPR** **Chair: Prof. Asha Mukherjee, Viswa-Bharati, Shanti Niketan** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
1-00 to 2-15 pm	**Lunch**
2-15 to 4-15 pm	**Parallel Sectional Sessions-II** **Ethics & Social Philosophy-I:** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, R. No. 10, Library Hall** **Ethics & Social Philosophy-II:** **Venue: Room No. 11, Department of Philosophy, Seminar Hall** **Religion:** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, Room No. 12, Smart-Classroom** **History of Philosophy:** **Venue: Humanities Block- 1st Floor, R. No. 152, Seminar Hall, Department of Library Science**

	Metaphysics and Epistemology: **Venue: Humanities Block- 1st Floor, R. No. 122, Seminar Hall, Department of History & Indian Culture** **Session in Tamil** **Venue: Humanities Block-Ground Floor, R. No. 46, Psychology Department Seminar Hall**	
4-15 to 4-30 pm	**Tea Break**	
4-30 to 6-00 pm	**Endowment Lecture-VI:** **Prof. R. C. Pradhan Endowment Lecture** **on** ***Torment, Dread, and Redemption: Wittgenstein's Reflections on the Meaning of Life*** **by** **Prof. Sreekumar N., IIT Madras**	**Endowment Lecture-VII:** **Śaiva-Siddhānta Endowment Lecture** **on** ***Śaiva-Siddhānta and Science*** **by** **Prof. K. Sambathkumar** **Pachaiyappa's College, University of Madras**
	Chair: Prof. Sreekala M. Nair, Joint Secretary, IPC, **Shri Sankaracharya Sanskrit University, Kalady, Kerala** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**	
	Endowment Lecture-VIII: Khwaja M. A. Hay Endowment Lecture on Humanism **on** ***Philosophical Pluralism, Organic Synthesis, and Reflective Consciousness (A Critical Study of A. Jamal Khwaja and R. K. Tripathi)*** **by** **Dr. Rajesh Kumar Chaurasia** **Vasanta College for Women, Varanasi**	**Endowment Lecture-IX: Endowment Lecture on Holistic Science of Life & Living as Revealed by Dada Bhagwan** **on** ***Understanding the Concept of Karma in the Philosophy of Dada Bhagwan*** **by** **Dr. Satyajit Kalita** **Morigaon College, Assam**
	Chair: Prof. Ananda Mishra, Joint Secretary, IPC, **Banaras Hindu University** **Venue: Suva Devi Maharshi Seminar Hall, Department of Philosophy**	
6-00 to 6-15 pm	**Tea Break**	
6-15 to 7-15 pm	**IPC General Body Meeting** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**	
7-15 to 8-15 pm	**Cultural Session: *Karma-Bāṇa*, Play by Students of University of Rajasthan** **Director: Dr. Kapil Sharma, Department of Dramatics** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**	
8-15 pm	**Dinner**	

Day III: 29th November 2026

8-00 to 9-00 am	**Breakfast**	
9-00 to 10-30 am	**Endowment Lecture-X: Pratap Seth Vedānta Lecture on *So'haṁ Pujottamottama*: *Ācārya Śaṁkara as the Pathfinder to the Eternal* by Prof. Shivani Sharma Punjab University, Chandigarh**	**Endowment Lecture-XI: Prof. G. R. Malkani Endowment Lecture on Advaita Vedānta on *G. R. Malkani's Philosophical Contributions* by Prof. Anil Tiwari HSG Sagar University, Sagar**
	Chair: Prof. Xavier Mao, Joint Secretary, IPC, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**	
	Endowment Lecture-XII: Buddha Jayanti Endowment Lecture on *Buddhism: Its Relevance in the Present Era* by Prof. Kusum Kumari Former Vice Chancellor, Magadh University, Bodhgaya	**Endowment Lecture-XIII: Prof. K. S. Murthy Memorial Lecture by Prof. George Victor Former Vice Chancellor, Adikavi Nannaiah University, Rajahmundry**
	Chair: Prof. Laxmikanta Padhi **Venue: Department of Philosophy, R. No. 11, Seminar Hall**	
10-30 to 10-45 am	**Tea Break**	
10-45 to 12- 00 Noon	**Plenary Session I- Śāstrārtha-Sabhā on *Athāto-Dharma-Jijñāsā (Inquiry & Nature of Dharma)*** **Prof. Bishnupada Mahapatra, SLBS National Sanskrit University, New Delhi,** **Prof. A. S. Aravamudan, SLBS National Sanskrit University, New Delhi** **Prof. Dharmachandra Jain, JNV Jodhpur University,** **Prof. Rajendra Prasad Sharma, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur,** **Prof. Vishnukant Pandey, Central Sanskrit University, Jaipur Campus,** **Dr. Mahesh Sharma, JR Rajasthan Sanskrit University, Jaipur** **Chair: Prof. Raghunath Ghosh** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**	

12-00 to 1-30 pm	**Endowment Lecture-XIV: Prof. Daya Krishna Memorial Lecture** **on** ***Re-envisioning Intellectual Traditions: Reading the Saṃvāda Project Archive*** **by** **Prof. Shail Mayaram** **Former Professor, CSDS, New Delhi**	**Endowment Lecture-XV: Prof. T.R.V. Murty Endowment Lecture on Mādhyamika Philosophy** **on** ***Professor T.R.V. Murti vis-a-vis Madhyamika Philosophy*** **by** **Prof. M. V. Krishnayya** **Andhra University, Vishakhapatnam**
	Chair: Prof. Dilipkumar Mohanta **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**	
	Endowment Lecture-XVI: Swami Narayan Theistic Vedānta Lecture **on** ***Swaminarayan Philosophy: A Panacea for Social, Moral and Spiritual Well-Being*** **by** **Prof. H. N. Pandey** **BR Ambedkar Bihar University, Muzaffarpur**	**Endowment Lecture-XVII: Gujarat Vidyapeeth Endowment Lecture on Gandhian Philosophy & Peace** **on** ***Gandhi's Understanding of Truth and Its Use in Conflict Resolution*** **by** **Prof. Ramchandra Majhi, Former Professor, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack**
	Chair: Prof. Yogesh Gupta, University of Rajasthan **Venue: Department of Philosophy, R. No. 11, Seminar Hall**	
1-30 to 2-45 pm	**Lunch**	
2-45 to 4-45 pm	**Parallel Sectional Sessions-III** **Ethics & Social Philosophy-I:** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, R. No. 10, Library Hall** **Ethics & Social Philosophy-II:** **Venue: Room No. 11, Department of Philosophy, Seminar Hall** **Religion:** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, Room No. 12, Smart-Classroom** **Session in Tamil:** **Venue: Humanities Block- 1st Floor, R. No. 152, Seminar Hall, Department of Library Science** **Metaphysics and Epistemology:** **Venue: Humanities Block- 1st Floor, R. No. 122, Seminar Hall, Department of History & Indian Culture** **Session in Hindi** **Venue: Humanities Block-Ground Floor, R. No. 46, Psychology Department Seminar Hall**	
4-45 to 5-00 pm	**Tea Break**	

5-00 to 6-00 pm	**Plenary Talk V-Prof. Jay Garfield and Prof. Nalini Bhushan** **Smith College, Massachusetts, USA** **on** ***A.C. Mukerji and the Prison-House of I-centricity: Reflections on Anand Vaidya*** **Chair: Prof. Daniel Raveh** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
6-00 to 6-15 pm	**Tea Break**
6-15 to 7-00 pm	**Plenary Session-II: Round Table** **on** ***The Primacy of the Social in Knowledge & Philosophy*** **Prof. Rakesh Chandra, Lucknow University,** **Prof. Vikram Singh Sirola, IIT Bombay** **Chair & Panellist: Prof. Sreekala M. Nair** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
7-00 to 8-00 pm	**Cultural Session: Mohiniyattam Dance Performance by Dr. K. Sampreetha** **&** **Open Session for Interested Participants/Delegates**** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
8-00 pm	**Dinner**

****Delegates who wish to perform in the cultural session on the third day will have to mail the Organizing Committee latest by 4:00 pm on 26th November, 2026, and may be required to give a short audition on the first day, on the sidelines of the conference.**

Day IV: 30th November 2026

8-00 to 9-00 am	**Breakfast**
9-00 to 9-45 am	**Endowment Lecture-XVIII: Prof. G. P. Das Endowment Lecture on Intercultural and Interreligious Understanding** **on** ***Culture, Politics and Religion: Indian Perspective*** **by** **Prof. B.R. Shanthakumari, Pondicherry University** **Chair: Prof. Ananda Mishra** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
	Endowment Lecture-XIX: Prof. Ashok Kumar Chatterjee Endowment Lecture **on** ***From Kalpanā to Śūnyatā: Speculative Metaphysics as Home-Coming, and Buddhist Meta-philosophy, in A. K. Chatterjee*** **by** **Dr. Neeti Singh, Banaras Hindu University** **Chair: Prof. Xavier Mao** **Venue: Suva Devi Maharshi Seminar Hall, Department of Philosophy**
9-45 to 11- 15 am	**Symposium -II** **on** ***Environmental Crisis and the Idea of Environmental Citizenship*** **Symposiasts: Prof. Tapan Kumar De, Vidyasagar University, Midnapur, Prof. M. Vijayasarathy, Madras Christian College, Dr. Himanshubala, JDM College, University of Delhi, Dr. Shubhra Jyoti Das, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, Dr. Simi C. Mani, University of Allahabad** **Chair: Prof. Bimalendra Kumar** **Hon'ble Vice Chancellor,** **Sanchi University of Buddhist-Indic Studies, Madhya Pradesh**
11-15 to 11-30 am	**Tea Break**
11-30 to 1-00 pm	**Plenary Session III- Jaipur Gharānā of Philosophy** **Panellists:** **Prof. Ambika Datta Sharma, HSG Sagar University, Prof. Kamal Nayan, Eminent Historian, Prof. Daniel Raveh, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel, Dr. P. Jetli, Former Associate Professor, University of Delhi, Prof. Devasiya M. Antony, Hindu College, New Delhi** **Chair: Prof. K. L. Sharma, University of Rajsthan** **Venue: Humanities Block Auditorium**
1-00 to 2-15 pm	**Lunch**

2-15 to 4-45 pm	**Parallel Sectional Sessions-IV** **Ethics & Social Philosophy-I:** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, R. No. 10, Library Hall** **Ethics & Social Philosophy-II:** **Venue: Room No. 11, Department of Philosophy, Seminar Hall** **Ethics & Social Philosophy -III:** **Venue: Department of Philosophy, Room No. 12, Smart-Classroom** **Ethics & Social Philosophy-IV:** **Venue: Humanities Block- 1st Floor, R. No. 152, Seminar Hall, Department of Library Science** **Metaphysics and Epistemology:** **Venue: Humanities Block- 1st Floor, R. No. 122, Seminar Hall, Department of History & Indian Culture** **Session in Hindi:** **Venue: Humanities Block-Ground Floor, R. No. 46, Psychology Department Seminar Hall**
4-45 to 5-00 pm	**Tea Break**
5-00 to 6-30 pm	**Valedictory Session**
5-00 to 5-30 pm	**Plenary Talk VI:** ***प्रज्ञातः प्रज्ञानं प्रति: वैश्विकबुद्धिविमर्शे दर्शनशास्त्रस्य भूमिका*: *From Prajñā to Prajñāna: Repositioning Darśana Śāstra in the Global Discourse on Intelligence*** **by** **Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi** **Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Central Sanskrit University**
5-30 to 5-45 pm	**Valedictory Address by Prof. S. K. Singh** **Chairperson, Indian Philosophical Congress**
5-45 to 6-00 pm	**Awards, Felicitation, Valediction**
6-00 to 6-15 pm	**Address by Chair, Prof. Bhagawati Prasad Saraswat** **Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Rajasthan**
6-15 to 6-30 pm	**Vote of Thanks**
6-30 to 7-30 pm	**Cultural Session**
7-30 pm	**Dinner**

Prof. S. K. Singh
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