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General Theme

**“Sustainable Development and Ethos of
Indian Culture in the 21st Century”**



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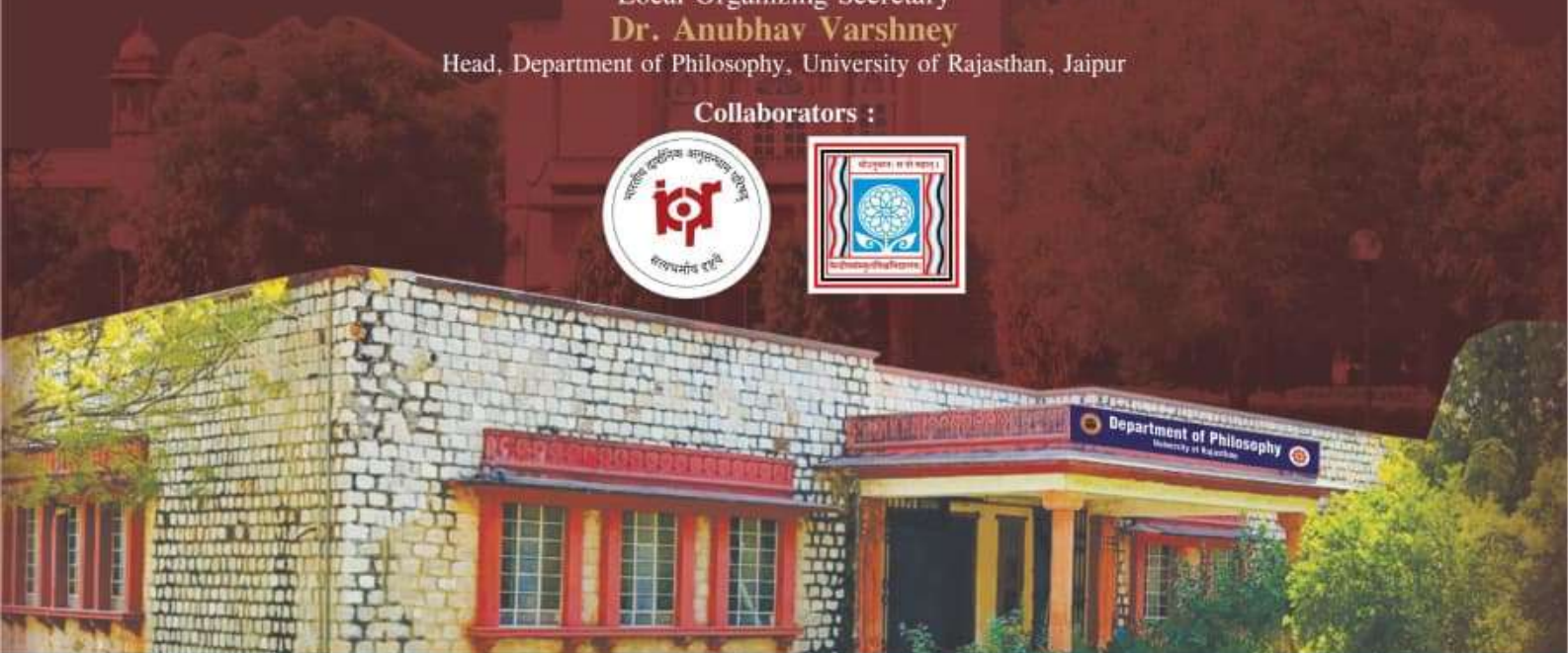
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The Indian Philosophical Congress –101st Session

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On the behalf of the Indian Philosophical Congress, we extend you the most cordial invitation to attend its 101st session, to be hosted by the University of Rajasthan, Jaipur from November 27th-30th, 2026. Prof. Raghunath Ghosh, Professor Emeritus, Dept. of Philosophy, University of North Bengal, Siliguri, West Bengal, is the General President of the 101st session of IPC. The theme chosen for this session is: “Sustainable Development and Ethos of Indian Culture in the 21st Century”

The Vice Chancellors/Directors/Deans are requested to nominate delegates from their Universities/Institutes to attend the Congress. The Vice-Chancellors, Heads of the Departments of Philosophy and the members of the Indian Philosophical Congress are requested to disseminate this information in their institutions and academic circles.

IPC Membership Fees

Three categories of membership fees of the IPC are as follows: Life Membership: Rs.5000/- ; Ordinary Membership: Rs.700/- (Annual) ; Associate Membership: Rs. 200/- (Annual – only for students and research scholars). All persons (excluding Life members) attending the Congress are required to pay the annual membership fee of the IPC. The above three categories of fees may be paid in the IPC Account (Account No.55113200517, State Bank of India, Shastri Bhavan Branch, New Delhi 110001, IFS Code: SBIN0050203.), by giving the name, full postal as well as email address. Alternatively, fees may be sent by Cheque/ DD drawn in favour of “Indian Philosophical Congress”, Account No. 55113200517, to Prof. Prof. Laxmikanta Padhi, Mobile: 9832383948, laxmikantnbu@gmail.com, Treasurer of IPC, Dept. of Philosophy, North Bengal University, Siliguri, West Bengal, submitting full details.

Submission of Papers - Extension of Deadline

8th November 2026 - is the extended 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: 101ipcsessionjaipur@gmail.com)**, with a copy to the General Secretary, IPC (**sipasel@rediffmail.com**). Papers and abstracts received after this date will not be considered. Proof of IPC membership must be furnished while submitting the hard copy of the paper. Papers could be presented in English/Hindi/Bangla/Tamil.

Essay Competitions

Essay Competition

B. N. Seal Memorial Competition
Dada Bhagwan Essay Competition
T.R.V. Murti Essay Competition
Swami Pranavananda Essay Competition

Topic

Philosophical Methodology for Positive Sciences
Holistic Way of Life and Living
Dialectical Method of Madhyamika
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 **8th November 2026**

SWAMI PRANAVANANDA PHILOSOPHY TRUST OF INDIA AWARD:

This trust comprises the following awards:

1. Swami Pranavananda Philosophy National Award
2. Swami Pranavananda Philosophy Book Award

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 **8th November 2026**.

The Departments of Philosophy of Universities, Institutes and Colleges may send their nominations, along with the bio-data of the nominees for the 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**).

Distinguished Speakers of the Session

Presidential Address by General President

Professor Raghunath Ghosh

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

Plenary/Special Talks:

Key Plenary Talk : Prof. Arindam Chakraborty, Former Professor of Philosophy, University of Hawaii, USA, Visiting Professor at Ashoka University, Sonapat, India

Prof. Jay L. Garfield and Prof. Nalini Bhushan, Professors of Philosophy, Smith College, Massachusetts, USA

Prof. Nirmalya Narayan Chakraborty, Chairperson, Indian Council of Philosophical Research and Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Presidency University, Kolkata

Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Prof. Noburu Natomi, Professor of Philosophy at University of Tokyo, Japan

Prof. Sachchidanand Mishra, Member Secretary, ICPR, New Delhi

Panel Discussion: Jaipur Gharānā of Philosophy

Prof. Ambika Datta Sharma, Senior Professor, Dr. HSG Sagar Central University, Sagar

Prof. Daniel Raveh, Professor of Philosophy, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel

Prof. Kamal Nayan, Former Professor of History, Rajasthan College Services

Dr. P. Jetli, Former Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi

Prof. Devasia M. Antony, Former Professor, Hindu College, University of Delhi

Śāstrārtha-Sabhā: Athāto-Dharma-Jijñāsā

Prof. Bishnupad Mahapatra, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Prof. A. S. Aravamudan, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi

Prof. Rajendra Prasad Sharma, Former Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur

Prof. Vishnukant Pandey, Central Sanskrit University

Dr. Shastri Kosalendra Das, JR Rajasthan Sanskrit University, Jaipur

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, 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. Raj Kumar Chhabra, Dept. of Philosophy, JNV Jodhpur University, Jodhpur

Gujrat Vidyapeeth Lecture on Gandhian Philosophy & Peace: Prof. Ramachandra Majhi, 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 & Dept. 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, SVMF, 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 Madras, Chennai

Prof. G.R. Malkani Endowment Lecture on Advaita Vedanta: Prof. Anil Tiwari, Dept. of Philosophy, Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar

Prof. Daya Krishna Memorial Lecture: Prof. Shail Mayaram, Former Professor, CSDS, New Delhi

Prof. K.S. Murthy Memorial Lecture: Prof. George Victor, Former Vice-Chancellor, Adikavi Nannaiyah University, Rajamundry, A.P

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

Dr. Shailendra Kumar Singh, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Allahabad, Prayagraj, Prof. Prashant Shukla, Dept. of Philosophy, Lucknow University, Lucknow, Dr. Alok Tandon, Independent Researcher, Hardoi, UP, Dr. Rajiba Lochan Behera, Dept. of Philosophy, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Dr. B. Devan, Dept. of Philosophy, Pachaippa's College, Chennai

Symposium II - Environmental Crisis and the Idea of Environmental Citizenship

Dr. M. Vijayasathya, 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, Dept. of Philosophy, Vidyasagar University, Midnapur, West Bengal, Dr. Shubra Jyoti Das, Dept. of Philosophy, Visva Bharati, Shantiniketan, West Bengal

Extension of Last Date for 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 26th to 30th November 2026. The Registration Fee should be paid online by electronic transfer like NEFT or IMPS in the name of "Indian Philosophical Congress, UOR, Jaipur", ICICI Bank Account No: 674701702991, IFSC Code: ICIC0006747, MICR Code: 302229018, Bapu Nagar, Jaipur, 302004. The last date of registration is 8th November 2026. Spot registration is possible, but such delegates may have to make their own arrangements for stay. Link to Google Registration Form: <https://forms.gle/sfxLqcABS2139iCg6>

The Venue can be reached from Jaipur Airport (8 km) or by Train from Jaipur Junction (6 km), Durgapura (6 km), and Gandhinagar Jaipur (3.5 km) Railway Stations.

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