



Hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Dr. Harsh Vardhan laid the foundation stone for the new Academic & Administrative Building on 22nd February 2020

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Warm Greetings!

Hope you are keeping safe in these uncertain and tough times amidst COVID-19!

In this Covid situation, IIPS adopted number of initiatives to upkeep the academic and research momentum, for which IIPS is known for. This issue of Newsletter presents glimpses of activities of IIPS from January to September 2020. The editorial team takes this opportunity to congratulate all the students who have graduated in 2020 and extends its best wishes for their future endeavors. We also welcome new students who have taken admission in different courses. Hope they will achieve their full potential using the services of the institute online or onsite.

We are grateful for your continued support, contribution and suggestions on the IIPS Newsletter. We look forward to your support in future. For any feedback/query, please contact the publication cell at publicationcell@iips.net

Editorial Team

Vision: "To position IIPS as a premier teaching and research institute in population sciences responsive to emerging national and global needs through high-impact, cutting edge and multidisciplinary research, teaching and training."

Mission: "The Institute strives to be a centre of excellence on all population and health issues through high quality scientific, research and teaching. We achieve this by (a) creating highly competent professionals, (b) generating and disseminating scientific knowledge and evidence, (c) collaborating and exchanging ideas with other institutions, and (d) undertaking advocacy and awareness programmes".

FOUNDATION STONE LAYING CEREMONY OF ACADEMIC BUILDING

February 22, 2020 marked a special and memorable day for the Institute as the foundation stone for the new Academic & Administrative Building of IIPS was laid by the Hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Dr. Harsh Vardhan. The Hon'ble Minister was joined by dignitaries including Shri Rajesh Tope, Minister of Public Health and Family Welfare, Government of Maharashtra, Smt. Usha Batra and Smt. Ratna A Jena. The



Lighting the lamp by Hon'ble Minister of HFW, GoI, Dr Harsh Vardhan, Minister of PHFW, GoM, Rajesh Tope, Director and Sr Professor IIPS, Prof. KS James

program began by a formal welcome of the dignitaries followed by lighting of the lamp. Prof. KS James, Director and Senior Professor IIPS, felicitated the dignitaries and gave a welcome address.

Smt. Usha Batra gave a brief introduction about the infrastructure project of the IIPS and emphasized that this would give the much needed boost to the Institute to match up to the international standards. Smt. Ratna A Jena spoke about the achievement and contribution of the Institute in creating high quality demographers in India and neighboring countries and playing a significant role in improving the database. The Hon'ble Minister of Public Health and Family Welfare, Government of Maharashtra stated that he held in high esteem the work done by IIPS in the field of population and health. In the presidential address, the Hon'ble Minister, Dr. Harsh Vardhan, addressed the faculty, staff and students of the IIPS and stated how the Institute helped the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and other ministers in formulating evidence based policies and programs towards building a better and healthy nation. He valued the excellent teaching program and high quality of scientific research of IIPS and stated that the proposed Academic & Administrative building of IIPS, for which he was laying the foundation stone, would provide the much needed boost to the Institute and help it outperform itself in the years to come.



Presidential address by Hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare Dr Harsh Vardhan

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

1. Conclusion of Academic year 2019-20:

Since the announcement of the Covid-caused lock down, all the Academic and Admission activities had been carried out through the online mode. All the evaluation procedures for the final dissertations/term papers and viva-voce examinations for the qualified students of Ph.D., MPhil, MPS, MA/MSc and MBD for the Academic Year 2019-20 were conducted online during the month of March and April 2020. The final results were circulated to the Academic Council members for their concurrence and approval. The members of the Academic Council gave their concurrence and approved the results for various courses by 20th of April 2020. A total of 226 students received degrees/diplomas in the academic year 2019-2020. In addition, students were awarded gold medals and silver medals for the best academic performance and best term paper and dissertation from each course. The following tables present the total course wise number of graduates who received their degree/diploma and award in the academic year 2019-20.

Number of students who received Degree / Diploma in the year of 2019-20

Course Name	Number of Students
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Population Studies/Bio-statistics & Demography	14
Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) in Population Studies/Bio-statistics & Demography	62
Master of Population Studies (M.P.S.)	45
Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Bio- statistics and Demography	32
Master of Arts/Science (M.A./M.Sc.) in Population Sciences	31
Master of Population Studies (M.P.S.) (Through distance mode of Education)	11
Post Graduate Diploma in Community Health (P.G.D.C.H.)	10
Diploma in Health Education/ Diploma in Health Promotion Education (D.H.E./D.H.P.E.)	21
All Courses	226

ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS 2019-2020

Programme/Course	Title of Award	Award Description	Awarded Students
Master of Philosophy (M. Phil.)	Prof. Tara Kanitkar Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in M.Phil.	Mr. Gursimran Singh Rana
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in M.Phil.	Mr. Nawaj Sarif Mr. Rishabh Tyagi
	Dr. P.N. Mari Bhat Award	A student from M.Phil. whose dissertation is adjudged to be the best	Mr. Nawaj Sarif
Master in Population Studies (M.P.S.)	Dr. C. Chandrasekaran Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in M.P.S.	Ms. Ruchira Chakraborty
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in M.P.S.	Mr. Arjun Jana
	Dr. J.R. Rele award	A student from M.P.S. whose term paper is rated as the best	Ms. Deepshika Dey
M.Sc. Bio- statistics and Demography (M.B.D.)	Prof. Sukumar Mukerji Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in M.B.D.	Ms. Jesty Saira Varghese
	IIPS Silver Medal	A students whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in M.B.D.	Mr. Ritankar Chakraborty
M.A. /M.Sc. in Population Studies	Prof. Asha A. Bhende Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in M.A. /M.Sc.	Ms. V. Sri Lakshmi Venkata Mathrusri
	IIPS Silver Medal	A students whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in M.A. /M.Sc.	Ms. Shilpa Karmakar
Master in Population Studies (M.P.S.) (Through Distance Mode)	Dr. K. Srinivasan Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in M.P.S. through distance mode	Mr. Chandravarma Yejarla
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in M.P.S. through distance mode	Mr. Mitrajit Chatterjee
Diploma in Health Education/ Diploma in Health Promotion Education (D.H.E./D.H.P.E.)	IIPS Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in D.H.E./D.H.P.E.	Mrs. Puspanjali Sarangi
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in D.H.E./D.H.P.E.	Mrs. Parveen Bano Mansuri
Post Graduate Diploma in Community Health (P.G.D.C.H.C.)	IIPS Gold Medal	A student whose overall performance is adjudged to be the best in P.G.D.C.H.C.	Mrs. Rizwana Mew
	IIPS Silver Medal	A student whose overall performance is ranked as the second best in P.G.D.C.H.C.	Mr. Ambrish Tripathi

2. Commencement of the Academic year 2020-21:

As per the advertisement notification, the Institute received 1463 applications online as well as in the form of hard copy for online registration for admission to MPS, MPhil, MA/MSc, MBD and Ph.D. For PDF and MPS (Distance Learning) admissions the applications were invited offline. The online entrance test for admission to various regular courses at IIPS for the Academic Year 2020-21 was conducted across 20 Cities in 18 States, on 08-03-2020. Based on the online entrance exam, the first and second provisional list of selected candidates for admission to MPS, MBD and MA/MSc programme was released by the second week of June 2020 and third week of July 2020, respectively. The first provisional list of selected candidates for MPhil programme was released in the first week of July 2020, after conducting online interviews for 142 candidates from 22-06-2020 to 27-06-2020. The provisional list of selected candidates for the Ph.D. programme was released after conducting a proposal writing test and online interview for 49 candidates from 29-06-2020 to 01-07-2020. The selection process for the PDF programme was completed after conducting online interviews on 09-09-2020.

All the admission processes were completed online. The online classes commenced for the 2nd year batch of MA/MSc and MBD students (2019-21) on 15-07-2020, and for the new batch of MPS, MA/MSc, MBD and MPhil student's online classes started from 03-08-2020.

IIPS NATIONAL SEMINAR, 2020

IIPS organised a national seminar on "Population, Health and Sustainable Development Goals: Performance and Prioritizing Policies" in collaboration with Population Research Centre, Patna University on 13-15 February 2020 at Patna, Bihar. The purpose of the seminar was to understand the synergy between demographic changes in India in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and its laudable objective that no one should be left behind. Hon'ble Education Minister of Bihar Shri Krishna Nandan Prasad Verma inaugurated the seminar and Prof. Rash Bihari Pd. Singh, Vice Chancellor, Patna University presided over the function. In the inaugural address, Hon'ble Education Minister highlighted the population issues of Bihar and mentioned how they hindered development. He also talked about Bihar's Education and how it was reshaped in recent years through implementation of various

programmes. The Director & Sr. Professor of IIPS, Dr. K.S. James, highlighted the importance of the seminar while Prof. D.A. Nagdeve provided the details on the structure of the conference. The fact sheet of IIPS funded Project “Causes and Consequences of out Migration from Middle Ganga Plain” was also released during the inaugural session. There were a total of two plenary sessions on the topics, “Health and Development” and “Development in Bihar”, three special sessions on “Data Quality in NFHS”, “Gender” and “Migration” in addition to the 92 oral presentations in 12 technical sessions and 105 poster presentations.



Hon'ble Education Minister of Bihar Shri Krishna Nandan Prasad Verma inaugurated the seminar with Prof. K. S. James, Director, IIPS and Prof. Rash Bihari Pd. Singh, Vice Chancellor; Patna University presided over the

The conference concluded with the valedictory session, including a brief presentation on the three-day workshop by Dr. L. K. Dwivedi, and distribution of best poster awards. Shri Sanjay Kumar, IAS, Principal Secretary-Health, Dept. of Health, Government of Bihar, delivered the valedictory address by highlighting several issues confronting population stabilization efforts in Bihar. He assured that the papers presented on Bihar's development would be consulted by the government for implementation of various policies and programmes. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Patna University addressed the valedictory session and emphasized how deliberations in the conference help the policy makers especially in Bihar. The Director & Senior Professor of IIPS, Dr. K. S James thanked Patna University for making the seminar a success. In conclusion, Prof. D.A. Nagdeve proposed the vote of thanks.

Organized by: Prof. D.A. Nagdeve, Prof. K. C. Das, Dr. Aparajita Chattopadhyay, Dr. L. K. Dwivedi and Dr. Suryakant Yadav

NEW COLLABORATIONS

**Memorandum of Association (MoU) with Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai
and Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) Hospital**

IIPS has signed two Memoranda of Association (MoU) with Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai and Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) Hospital. The main objectives of the collaborations are to strengthen the Master of Bio-statistics course with more clinical data based topics. In addition, the academic and research collaboration between IIPS and these two premier institutes are part of the agreement and would mutually benefit all three institutes. BARC Hospital is a Multi-specialty, approved hospital for DNB course and plans to expand its courses by having a greater focus on demography and research methodology which IIPS faculty can help in developing. Similarly, IIPS Bio-Statistics students need more exposure of clinical data which will be developed with the help of BARC Hospital medical doctors. Both Tata Hospital and BARC Hospital are under the Department of Atomic Energy, Government of India.

MEMORIAL LECTURES & SYMPOSIUMS

12th PROFESSOR P.N. MARI BHAT MEMORIAL LECTURE

IIPS has been organizing a memorial lecture series in the honor of late Professor Mari Bhat since year 2008. The

12th P. N. Mari Bhat Memorial Lecture was organized on

Jan 8, 2020. Prof. Prabhu L. Pingali, Professor in the

Charles H. Dyson, School of Applied Economics &

Management at Cornell University, USA, with a joint

appointment in the Division of Nutritional Sciences

delivered the lecture this year. Prof Usha Ram,

coordinator, STTP & PC read the citation on Professor

P. N. Mari Bhat. Prof James introduced Prof. Pingali

and honored him by presenting a plant sapling, IIPS

memento and a shawl. Prof. Pingali spoke on an important theme on “Can India Achieve SDG 2 - Eliminate Hunger

and Malnutrition by 2030?”. He extensively discussed the status of India in the context of SDG Goal-2, goal to bring

an end to the hunger, including malnutrition through promoting agricultural sustainability. Unlike MGD, definition of

malnutrition in SDG is broader and comprehensive. In India, though the level of hunger and poverty has reduced in

the recent past, a substantial number of people still remain hungry and poor. Overall prevalence of stunting in poor

states is higher than in Sub-Saharan African countries. On the other hand, there is a rise in prevalence of obesity

and communicable diseases in advanced states. Moreover, small and poor farmers in semi-arid and flood prone

areas in particular are going to be worst affected by the climate change. In his deliberation, he emphasized that the

small landholder is central to achieve SDG-2. He indicated that the changing diet patterns particularly in urban areas

could be an opportunity for diversification of production systems. The presentation was followed by a question

answer session with the audience. The event was attended by former IIPS faculty members, IIPS faculties, research

staff, students and other invitees from various academic and research institutions.



Prof. K. S. James introduced Prof. Pingali and honored him by presenting IIPS Memento

Organized by: Prof Usha Ram, Prof Archana K Roy, Mr Babu Santosh Kumar, Dr P Murugesan

18th Dr. C. CHANDRA SEKARAN MEMORIAL LECTURE

The IIPS organized the 18th memorial lecture in honour of Professor C. Chandrasekaran on 6th March, 2020. The memorial lecture began with an invitation from Prof.

Usha Ram to Dr. Jayant Kumar Banthia (Guest speaker), Prof K. S. James (Director) to the dais followed by lighting of a ceremonial lamp by Professor K. S. James, Director and Sr. Professor, IIPS, guest speaker and the retired faculties. Prof Usha Ram, coordinator, briefed the audience about Professor C. Chandrasekaran and invited Prof James to chair the session and introduce the guest speaker, Dr. Jayant Kumar Banthia. Dr.



Prof. K. S. James introduced Dr. Jayant Kumar Banthia and honored him by presenting IIPS Memento with Prof. Usha

Banthia spoke on “Vital Statistics in India - Past, Present and Future”. He began his talk stating that the Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS) has two major components. The first part of the data set (known as legal part or Civil Registration) establishes and records the key identity particulars of every individual, such as name, sex, date and place of birth (age), date and place of death, etc. The second data component (Vital Statistics) details the key health indicators for mother and children such as fertility (birth) rates, sex ratio at birth, high risk new born (through birth order, birth weight, gestation period, etc.) and indicators on death including maternal, infant and child mortality and causes of deaths for all sections of the population. He emphasized that a robust VS System lays the foundation for Good Governance in the country. The presentation was followed by an intense question and answer session with the audience and the experts. The lecture concluded with a vote of thanks to all by Prof. Archana K. Roy, Coordinator, STTP and Publication cell, IIPS. The event was attended by former IIPS faculty members, IIPS faculties, research staff, students and other invitees from various academic and research institutions.

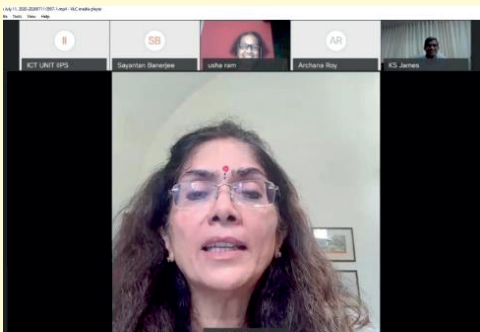
Organized by: Prof Usha Ram, Prof Archana K. Roy, Mr Babu Santosh Kumar, Dr P. Muregesan

SYMPOSIUM ON WORLD POPULATION DAY 2020

On the occasion of World Population Day, IIPS organized a virtual symposium on the theme of Demography and Pandemics: Lessons Learned and Way Forward of COVID -19 Pandemic for India. The Short Term Training Programme and Publication Cell (STTP & PC) of the IIPS organized the Symposium through WEBEX Video Conferencing Application. Prof Usha Ram,



Prof. K. S. James, Director IIPS



Dr. Shreelata Rao Seshadri

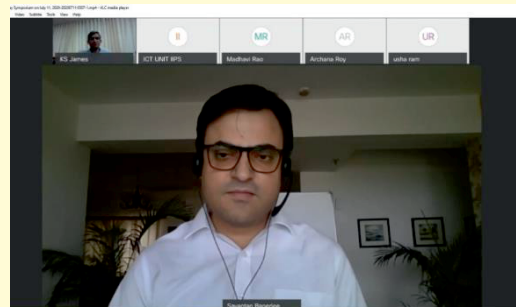
Coordinator, STTP & PC

Cells of the IIPS welcomed the Guest Speakers and participants. The eminent speakers for the Symposium Were Dr .Shreelata Rao Seshadri, Professor Azim Premji University, Bengaluru, and Dr .Sayantan Banerjee, Technical Officer, Antimicrobial Resistance Rapid Research and Innovations Cell for

CQVID-19 World Health

Organization, Southeast Asia Regional Office, New Delhi. Prof K. S. James, Director and Senior Professor, IIPS, chaired the Symposium and welcomed the speakers, participants and distinguished invitees.

In his inaugural speech, Prof James emphasized the urgent need to debate on a healthy planet, aging and migration issues among many others since they have enormous implications for public health and population scientists.



Dr. Sayantan Banerjee

Organized by: Prof Usha Ram, Mr Babu Santosh Kumar, Dr. P. Muregesan and Mr. Nasim Ahamed Mondal.

WORKSHOP & TRAINING PROGRAMME ORGANIZED

Training Workshop on Large Scale Sample Surveys (LSSS)

A Large Scale Sample Survey Data User Training Workshop was organized by IIPS from 17th to 22nd February 2020. The 6-day training workshop covered all aspects of Large Scale Sample Surveys, with special reference to the analysis of National Family Health Survey (NFHS-4). There were 35 participants from different Institutes and Universities across the country. The participants were from varied disciplines such as Economics, Sociology, Social

Work, Public Health, Geography, Medicine, Nursing and Physiotherapy. The topics covered during training were survey design, survey tools and instruments, quality control, methods and processes of data collection, sampling weights and sampling errors, data structure, analysis of calendar data, advanced statistical analysis at the national, state and district levels and spatial analysis. All participants were issued certificates of participation at the conclusion of the training workshop.

Organizers: Prof. Usha Ram, Dr. Laxmi Kant Dwivedi, Mr. Babu Santosh Kumar, Dr. P. Murugesan and Mr. Nasim A. Mondal.



Large Scale Sample Survey Data User Training Workshop Group Photo

Online training program for Officials of Population Research Centers

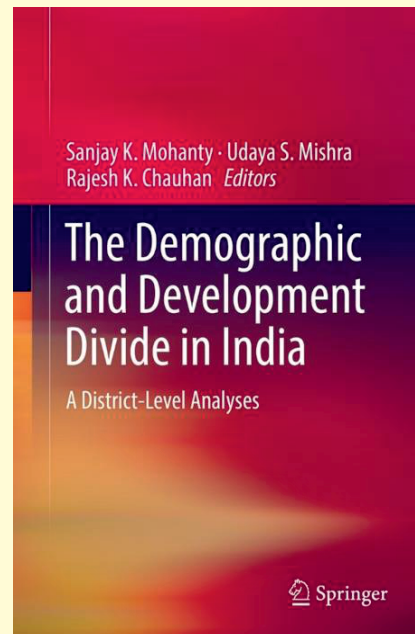
IIPS organized a month-long online Training Program for the staff of Population Research Centres (PRCs) of India on the demand of the MoHFW. A total of eleven online courses were designed and training was organized from 9th June to 4th July 2020. Prof. Usha Ram, Coordinator of the STTP and Publication cells at the IIPS, had a pre-inaugural meeting with the participants and briefed them about the process and description of the program and familiarized participants with the process as the IIPS was conducting such an application on a virtual platform for the first time. Over 85 participants from 17 PRCs and one person (Ms. Pooja Verma) from the MoHFW attended the courses. Prof. K.S. James, Director and Senior Professor, IIPS, gave a welcome address and formally inaugurated the program on June 8, 2020.

Organized by: Prof. Usha Ram, Prof. Archana K. Roy, Mr. Babu Santosh Kumar, Dr. P. Muregesan and Mr. Nasim Ahamed Mondal.

BOOKS PUBLISHED BY IIPS FACULTIES

“The Demographic and Development Divide in India: A District Level Analysis”. 2020, Edited by Sanjay K Mohanty, Udaya S. Mishra and Rajesh K. Chauhan, Singapore: Springer.

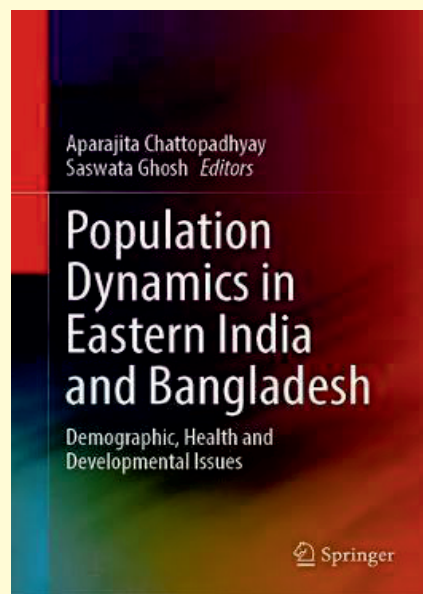
The book “The Demographic and Development Divide in India: A District Level Analyses”, is the first ever book that provides analyses of demographic, health and development indicators across 640 districts of India. Information explored in the book has been computed from the Census of India, National Family and Health Survey 4, National Sample Survey and other published sources. The book has 11 chapters and contributed by editors and young research scholars. The analytical chapters broadly focus on population trends, distribution, fertility, migration and key aspects of human development (educational development, health and standard of living). Each chapter presents a set of key indicators, composite indices and statistical analyses. Relative ranking of districts within respective state and across 640 districts in the country has been the unique feature of the book. The spatial pattern of development and demographic disparity has been highlighted. The spatial analyses highlighted the clustering of development across districts of India. The book is a ready reference to academia across discipline, policy makers and district planners.



Details of the book may be found in <https://www.springer.com/gp/book/9789811358197>

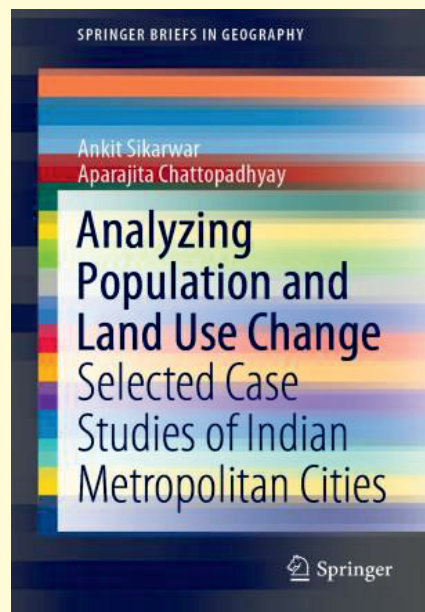
“Population Dynamics in Eastern India and Bangladesh Demographic, Health and Developmental Issues” 2020. Edited by Aparajita Chattopadhyay and Saswata Ghosh, Springer, ISBN 978-981-15-3045-6

This book highlights historical and current perspectives on population issues in the Bengali-speaking states of India (i.e., West Bengal, Tripura, Assam) and Bangladesh and explores core population dynamics: fertility, mortality-Health and migration in context of development. Furthermore, it presents a selection of revealing cases from area-specific micro-studies, mainly conducted in West Bengal and Bangladesh. The book covers various demographic and health issues in these two regions, which are similar in terms of several sociocultural aspects, yet dissimilar in terms of their policies and programs. Adopting an integrated approach that combines various disciplines and perspectives, it explores highly topical issues such as social inequality, religious difference and mental health. The book is intended for a broad readership interested in population studies, sociology and development, including academics, researchers, planners and policymakers.



"Analyzing Population and Land Use Change: Selected Case Studies of Indian Metropolitan Cities".2020. Edited by Ankit Sikarwar and Aparajita Chattopadhyay, Springer

This multidisciplinary book discusses and scientifically analyzes issues related to population, land use/cover (LULC) and environmental transformations in the seven most populated cities in India: Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Bangalore, Chennai, Hyderabad and Ahmedabad. To do so, it closely examines and compares the trends in selected population parameters, including total population, total number of households, population density, population growth rate, percent of total population in slums and intercensal net migration over the past two decades. Presenting the changes in various LULC categories (built-up land, forest cover, agricultural land, fallow land and water bodies) using the supervised classification of Landsat TM-5 images, it assesses the impact of population and LULC on the maximum and minimum temperatures and average annual rainfall in these regions. The book is a valuable resource for researchers and academics in the areas of sustainability, population and development, and environmental studies as well as those in NGOs and humanitarian sectors working in the areas of sustainable development and environment.

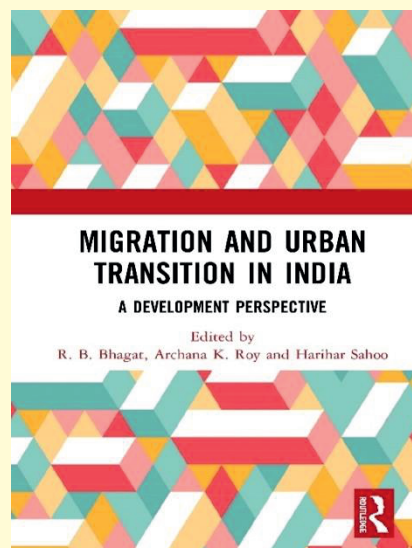


"Migration and Urban Transition in India: A Development Perspective". 2020. Edited by R.B. Bhagat, Archana K. Roy and Harihar Sahoo. Routledge India, ISBN 9780367278601.

Migration has emerged as an important issue in contemporary global politics and in the discourse around human development. This book highlights the role of migration in socioeconomic development and its interdependence with urbanization, employment, labour and industry.

This volume identifies the challenges which migration and the subsequent dynamism in population and spatial parameters pose to land-use patterns, ecology, social politics and international relations. Through a study of migration patterns and trends in different parts of India, this collection analyzes the relationship of migration with social and occupational mobility, poverty and wealth indices, inequality, distribution of resources and demographic change. It also explores policy measures and frameworks which can bring migration into the fold of national development strategies.

Timely and comprehensive, the book underscores the importance of migration and urbanization, sustainability and inclusivity to economic growth and development. It will be an essential read for scholars and researchers of migration studies, political studies, sociology, urban studies, development studies and political sociology.



OTHER ACTIVITIES

Poster and Storytelling Competition

Gender Amity Committee (GAC) conducted a Poster and Story Telling Competition programme to promote gender sensitization and equality by harnessing the artistic skills of students on January 28, 2020. Seven students participated in the event and made on the spot posters within three hours. Seven students from various courses participated in storytelling competition. More than a hundred students gathered to witness this event. The committee invited Prof. C.P. Prakashan (Ex. Professor, IIPS) and Prof. Kamla Gupta (Ex. Professor, IIPS) as judges for this event. Prof. K.S. James, Director & SrProfessor, and chairperson distributed the prizes to the participants. All the GAC members worked together to organize this event.



Gender Amity Committee (GAC) conducted a Poster and Story Telling Competition program for Participants

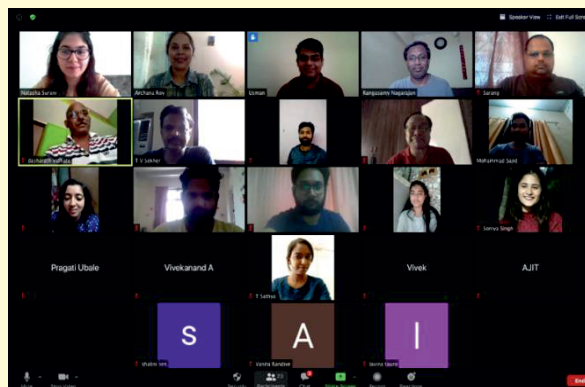
Webinar on “Challenges and Opportunities of Covid-19: Students' Perspectives”

The Gender Amity Committee organized a webinar meeting on July 6th 2020 on "Challenges and Opportunities of Covid-19: Students' Perspectives". GAC invited students, faculties and staff to share their experiences and perspectives during this challenging time of the pandemic. Five students from different courses shared their views, another four students sent their experiences via mail and Mr Taqique Anawar and Ms NututnDudi read out those experiences. Ms Yogita Rangari, a GAC member and non-teaching staff, shared her experiences on the kind of difficulties she faced during this period. She also mentioned that this period gave her the golden opportunity to spend quality time with her family. Dr Manas R Pradhan talked about the opportunities and positive aspects of such situations. He also advised students how to utilize such situations to improve and learn new skills for different aspects of our lives. Dr Preeti Dhillon talked about the challenges and negative aspects of COVID-19 and lockdown. In conclusion, the Institute's counsellor, Ms Natasha and Prof. Sayeed Unisa responded to various queries and worries. Ms Natasha also spoke about how to cope with these kinds of situations and try to be calm, happy and positive. Dr Reshmi Nair moderated the Webinar and student members provided support in making arrangements. Mr Vidhate gave the vote of thanks to all the attendees, participants, faculties.

Activities of Staff Welfare Committee (SWC)

The IIPS Staff Welfare Committee (SWC) conducted the following activities during January- July 2020.

- Get together of the IIPS staff on 1st January 2020 to help create a friendly work culture among the staff and faculty members. The former faculty members and staff were also invited.
- Farewell ceremony for Dr Balram Paswan, Professor and Head, Department of Population Policies and Programmes on his superannuation from service at IIPS on January 31, 2020.
- A day picnic was organized for the IIPS staff and faculty on 7th March 2020 at Alibaug. SWC made all logistic arrangements for the picnic. About 40 employees participated in the picnic.
- An online talk on “Introduction and Awareness on Mental Health” by the Institute Counsellor, Ms. Natasha Durani on 10th June 2020. More than 45 participants attended the sessions. The session was inaugurated by Prof K. S. James, Director, IIPS, moderated by Prof. Archana K. Roy and concluded by Prof. R. Nagarajan. Mr Anjani Mishra provided the technical support and Ms Jisha provided secretarial support for the conduct of the programme.
- Yoga Day was organized on 21st June 2020 by a virtual yoga session with staff and faculty.
- Farewell function on June 30, 2020, on the occasion of superannuation of Dr. Deelip Devchand Mestri, Library and Information Officer, IIPS.



Marathon Run

The IIPS Alumni Association (IIPSAA) in collaboration with International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS) and Gender Project-IIPS organized a “Run for Women's Safety” on 12th January 2020. The run was for short distances of 2 kms and 5 kms within Deonar area. The event aimed to create awareness on women's safety, practicing self-defense through physical activity to combat insecurity of women in the society. Around 290 participants including student, faculty, staff and, alumni participated in the event.

The event was inaugurated by Acting Director Prof. R.B. Bhagat and IIPSAA Vice-Chairman Prof. R. Nagarajan. The IIPS Students Council played a key role in organizing and making the event successful. The IIPS Students Council headed by our M.Phil. student Amiya Shaikh took lead in warm up and cool down sessions. The Police Department, Doctors and paramedical Staff and a big team of student volunteers extended their cooperation and support in making the event successful.



Yoga and Fitness Workshop

IIPS Alumni Association (IIPSAA) in collaboration with IIPS organized a virtual yoga session namely "Time to Unlock Your Potential" from 1st to 12th June, 2020.

Prof. K.C. Das, an eminent educationist who has keen interest in yoga conducted the virtual yoga sessions in the morning from 8 am to 9 am. He completed the yoga teachers training course from Bihar School of Yoga, Munger, Bihar and also completed Yoga Instructors Course from Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhan Sansthan (Deemed University), Bangalore. Prof. Das instructed participants about different pranayamas and asanas. explained the positive outcomes of each of those pranayamas and asanas.



Online Yoga Sessions Participants

Mrs. Ajit Kaur Dhillon conducted the virtual fitness sessions in the evening from 5pm to 6pm. Mrs. Dhillon is a track and field athlete and has won many races, high jumps and relay runs. She became Pinkathon Ambassador for Nerul East Group in December, 2018. Sports Therapist Dr. Divya Sharma was the invited instructor for the last session. The sessions helped participants relieve physical and mental stress, reduced muscle tension, strain and increased the energy levels. Around 15-40 participants including students, faculty, staff, alumni attended yoga and fitness sessions.



Online Fitness Sessions Participants

CONTINUING AND NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS (2019-2020)

A: RESEARCH PROJECTS ONGOING

Sr. No.	Title of the Research Project	Project Coordinator	Funding Agency
1.	National Family Health Survey-5	K.S James, B. Paswan, S.K. Singh, H. Lhungdim, Chander Shekhar, L.K. Dwivedi and Sarang Pedgaonkar	MoHFW, Government of India
2.	Longitudinal Ageing Study in India (LASI) Main Wave (2014-19)	P. Arokiasamy, D. A. Nagdeve, T.V. Sekher, S.K. Mohanty, A. Chattopadhyay, Dipti Govil and Sarang Pedgaonkar	MoHFW/MoSJE, Government of India, UNFPA and National Institute on Ageing (NIA)/ National Institute of Health (NIH), USA.
3.	Global Youth Tobacco Survey-4	B. Paswan, H. Lhungdim, R.Nagarajan, Murali Dhar and Pralip K. Narzary	MoHFW, Government of India
4.	Study of Global Ageing and Adult Health (SAGE) -India, Wave-2, 2014-16	P. Arokiasamy, H. Lhungdim, T.V. Sekher, Murali Dhar and Archana K. Roy	The World Health Organization, Geneva.
5.	Midline Rapid Assessment of SWABHIMAAN Women's Nutrition Demonstration in Phase 1 States (Bihar, Chhatisgarh and Odisha)	Sayeed Unisa, Laxmikant Dwivedi, Dipti Govil, Sarang Pedgaonkar and R.S.Reshmi	UNICEF, New Delhi.
6.	Gender Equity and Health (GEH) Project (2017-20)	K.S. James, Abhishek Singh and Kaushalendra Kumar	The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) through Centre Gender Equity and Health (GEH), University of California San Diego (UCSD)
7.	Immunization Coverage Study in Maharashtra	D.W. Bansod, Prakash Fulpagare and S.K. Singh	State Health Systems Resource Centre (SHSRC, Pune), Government of India.
8.	Causes and Consequences of Out- Migration from Middle Ganga Plain	Archana K. Roy, R.B. Bhagat, K.C. Das, Sunil Sarode and R.S. Reshmi	Internal Funding
9.	Projection of District Level Annual Population by Quienquennial Age-Group and Sex from 2011 to 2031 in India.	Murali Dhar and B. Paswan	Internal Funding
10.	Geo-Spatial Mapping of Village and Ward Level in Uttar Pradesh	L.K. Dwivedi, A.K. Mishra and Sayeed Unisa	Internal Funding
11.	Assessment of Quality of Mortality Data from Large Scale Sample Surveys in India.	Usha Ram and Manas Ranjan Pradhan	Internal Funding
12.	Health Expenditure on Breast Cancer treatment in Women: A study from Public Sector Tertiary Cancer Centre	Tabassum Wadasadawala, Sanjay K. Mohanty, Rajiv Sarin, Sudeep Gupta, Vani Parmar, Sadhana Kannan and Jaykumar Mane	Internal Funding

B. NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS INITIATED:

Sr.No.	Title of Research Project	Project Coordinators	Funding Agency
1.	Measuring and Correcting Visual Acuity among Older Adults and Measuring the Effects of Visual Improvement on Social and Economic Well-Being in India (LASI-VIS Study) (2019-2012), in collaboration with University of Lausanne	P. Arokiasamy, S.K. Mohanty, S. Pedgaonkar.	Swiss Agency for Development and Global Cooperation (SDC) and the SWISS National Science Foundation (SNSF)
2.	The Harmonised Diagnostic Assessment of Dementia for the Longitudinal Aging Study in India (LASI-DAD Study) (2016-2021) in collaboration with University of Southern California and All India Institute of Medical Sciences	P. Arokiasamy, S. Pedgaonkar	National Institute on Ageing (NIA)
3.	Integrating Ageing Research with Policy and Programmes in India	K. S. James, D. Govil, and H. Sahoo	UNFPA
4.	Comprehensive Report on Sexual and Reproductive Aspects of Youth in India based on data from the NFHS	L.K. Dwivedi, P. Dhillon and K. S. James	UNFPA
5.	Child Marriage in Maharashtra: Pattern, Trend and Consequences	K.C. Das	UNICEF, Maharashtra
6.	District Level Factsheets for Tribal Population	U. Ram, M. R. Pradhan and K.S. James	PMSRI
7.	Comprehensive National Nutrition Survey Knowledge Network	S. Unisa, H. Sahoo and P. Dhillon	UNICEF
8.	Reproductive Health Indicators for Selected Districts from NFHS-4	K. S. James and M. Alagarajan	WHO, New Delhi
9.	Protection of children affected by seasonal migration: A study in Jalna district of Maharashtra	K. C. Das, R. B. Bhagat and A K. Roy	UNICEF
10.	Health and Economic Burden Associated with Arsenic Contamination of Water in West Bengal	K.C. Das and Md I. Sheikh	Internal Funding
11.	Estimation of Internal Migration in India and its States 1961-2011	Reshmi, R.S. and R.B. Bhagat	Internal Funding
12.	Association of Pre-Pregnancy Body Mass Index, Gestational Weight Gain and Gestational Age with Birth Weight: A Prospective Cohort Study in Rural Bihar	S. Unisa, L.K. Dwivedi, S. Pedgaonkar, P. Dhillon, and Reshmi, R.S.	Internal Funding

C. RESEARCH PROJECTS COMPLETED:

Sr. No.	Title of the Research Project	Project Coordinator	Funding Agency
1.	Multi-dimensional Poverty in Urban Maharashtra	S K. Mohanty, R. B. Bhagat and L.K. Dwivedi	UNICEF
2.	Process Evaluation and Concurrent Monitoring of Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandhana Yojna	T.V. Sekher and Manoj Alagarajan	NITI Aayog and UNICEF
3.	Comprehensive Report on Sexual and Reproductive Aspects of Youth in India based on data from the NFHS	L.K. Dwivedi, P Dhillon and K. S. James	UNFPA
4.	Child Marriage in Maharashtra: Pattern, Trend and Consequences	K.C. Das	UNICEF, Maharashtra
5.	Trends in out-of-pocket expenditure (OOPE) and catastrophic health spending in India	S.K. Mohanty	Internal Funding
6.	Historical Trends and Patterns of Population and Development in India: A District Level Analysis	P Arokiasamy, R. Nagarajan, Pralip Kumar Narzary, Manoj Alagarajan, Aparajita Chattopadhyay, Harihar Sahoo and Suryakant Yadav	Internal Funding
7.	Population growth and state of healthcare services in North East India. With special reference to the recognized tribes, 1951 to 2011	H. Lhungdim, Harihar Sahoo and L. Ladusingh	Internal Funding

ACTIVITIES UNDER ON-GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS

A. Protection of Children Affected by Seasonal Migration: A Study in Jalna District, Maharashtra

A collaborative research project of IIPS, Mumbai and UNICEF, initiated in January 2020, aims to study the vulnerability issues of children of seasonal migrants in the State of Maharashtra, and to recommend sustainable solutions for strengthening policies and programs for their protection. Prof K C Das, Prof R B Bhagat, and Prof Archana K Roy are the coordinators of the project. Following project activities have been undertaken since January 2020:

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings:

The first TAC meeting was held on 22nd January 2020 at Mantralaya, Mumbai. Ms. Sujata Saunik (Additional Chief Secretary, GoM) presided over the meeting. Prof. Jacqueline Bhabha (Harvard T H Chan School of Public Health, USA.), Prof. Irudaya Rajan (Professor, CDS, Thiruvananthapuram), Ms. Nikola Balvin. (UNICEF, New Delhi), Mr. Umi Daniel (Aide et Action) along with UNICEF and IIPS project team attended the meeting.



First TAC Meeting chaired by Ms Sujata Saunik (Additional Chief Secretary, GoM)

The second TAC meeting was held online on 30th September 2020 to update on the progress of the project and to review the methodology and finalization of fieldwork plans in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic. It was chaired by Ms Rajeshwari Chandrasekar, Chief MFO, UNICEF, Maharashtra.

Meetings with District Collector, Jalna: A meeting was held on 4th March 2020 with the District Collector of



Meeting with District Collector Shri R. L. Binwade, IAS

Jalna, Shri R. L. Binwade IAS to liaison for the project fieldwork. The meeting was attended by Officials from various Departments, representatives of the partner organizations, Prof. R. B. Bhagat, and Prof. K. C. Das from IIPS and Ms Alpa Vora from UNICEF, Maharashtra.

A second meeting was conducted with the district administrative officials on 14th September 2020 to appraise the modified objectives and methodology and feasibility of conducting fieldwork.

Qualitative Research Methodology Workshop: A five-day workshop on Qualitative Research Methods was organised from 3-7 February 2020 for the project staff. Prof. S.K. Singh, Dr. Dhananjay Bansode, Dr. Dipti Govil, and Dr. Manas Pradhan led sessions on design, ethnographic and analytic cycles in the qualitative research process. Dr. Yamini Suvarna (UNICEF) led a session on Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA).

B. Causes and Consequences of Out Migration from Middle Ganga Plain: Brief on the Release of the Factsheet of the Research Project:

The factsheet of the project entitled, 'Causes and Consequences of Out-Migration from Middle Ganga Plain' was released by the Hon'ble Education Minister of Bihar, Shri Krishna Nandan Prasad Verma in the inaugural function of the IIPS National Seminar at Patna University, Patna on 13th February 2020 in the gracious presence of dignitaries across the country along with Prof. Rash Bihari Prasad Singh, Vice Chancellor, Patna University and Prof. K. S. James, Director IIPS. The broader objectives of the project were to understand the level and pattern of migration from the Middle Ganga Plain, causes of migration and its consequences on the families left behind, especially on women, children and elderly. Migration from Middle Ganga Plain has been deeply rooted since the past two centuries mainly due to poverty. In post economic reform period in terms of LPG, both internal and international migration and the role of remittances in household livelihood has become a predominant feature. The data for this study was collected on various issues and parameters related to internal migrant; international migrant, seasonal migrant and return migrant, potential migrant, remittances, left behind women, children and elderly covering 4344 households from 68 villages spread across all 17 administrative divisions of Bihar and Eastern Uttar Pradesh in 2018 and 2019, respectively. The coordinators of the project are Prof. Archana K. Roy, Prof. R. B. Bhagat, Prof. K. C. Das, Mr. Sunil Sarode and Dr. Reshmi R. S.

KERALA STUDENT VISIT IIPS

Amal College of Advanced Studies, Nilambur, Malappuram District, Kerala as part of the Government of Kerala's "Walk with Scholar Programme", 26 second Year Degree Students along with 3 Faculty members visited IIPS on the 4th of February 2020. This visit was a part of their 3-day motivational trip to learn about the teaching and research activities as well as admission procedures for various post graduate programmes of IIPS. The visit also aimed to inspire students to seek admission in such Centres of excellence. After the brief discussion with short-term training programme and publication cell team, students walked around the institute and visited the computer center, library, academic building, administrative building and canteen.

Organized by: Prof. Usha Ram, Mr. Babu Santosh Kumar, Dr. P. Muregesan and Mr. Nasim Ahamed Mondal.

SUPERANNUATIONS/PROMOTIONS/REAPPOINTMENTS/DEMISE

Superannuation

Sl. No	Name of the Employee	Department/Section	Position Held	Date of Superannuation
1	Prof. Balram Paswan	Population Policies & Programme	Professor & Head	31-01-2020
2	Dr. D.D. Mestri	Library	Library & Information Officer	30-06-2020
3	Prof. P. Arokiasamy	Development Studies	Professor & Head	31-07-2020

Promotions

Sl. No	Name of the Employee	Department/Section	Previous Position	New Position	Date of Promotions
1	Dr. K. Praveen Kumar	Library	Assistant Library & Information	Library & Information Officer	28-09-2020

Reappointments

Sl. No	Name of the Employee	Department/Section	Position Held	Date of Reappointment
1	Prof. Balram Paswan	Population Policies & Programme	Reappointment as Professor	01-02-2020

Demise

Sl. No	Name of the Employee	Department/Section	Position Held	Date of Demise
1	Krishna F. Walmiki	Estate Management Section	Xerox Operator	15-05-2020

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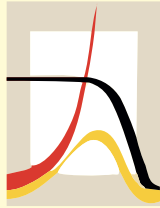
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- (iii) Masters in Population Studies (MPS)
- (iv) Ph.D in Population Studies/Biostatistics & Demography
- (v) Part-time PH.D Programme in Population Studies /
Biostatistics & Demography
- (vi) Post Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) programme

The admission test shall be conducted online at different designated centers in India. The detailed Admission Bulletin for each course will be uploaded on the Institute's website. **The online admission portal will be active from February 08, 2021 to March 18, 2021.**

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