

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Papers are invited on the topics related to the theme. There will be screening and selection of papers to be presented.

Abstract Submission - 15<sup>th</sup> November 2012

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Those who wish to publish the presented papers have to submit both hard and soft copy to Dr. Antony Palackal within one week of the conference.

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## AWARDS

For the awards 3 & 4, the reports of the respective associations along with the duly filled in proforma has to be submitted to the secretary on the first day of the Conference before the inaugural session. The proforma will be sent to all the colleges.

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# KSS NEWSLETTER.....

*Greetings from Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Valiamala!*

The 39<sup>th</sup> annual conference will be hosted by Department of Humanities, Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Valiamala, Trivandrum from **December 7 to 9, 2012**. IIST is Asia's first Space Institute and the first in the world to offer the complete range of undergraduate, post graduate, doctoral programmes with specific focus to Space Science, Technology and Applications. The campus is located at Valiamala, 18 kms from Thiruvananthapuram city, on the way to the famous hill resort of Ponnudi.

The theme of the conference is *Science, Technology and Society – Emerging Scenario*. Following are the sub themes on which research papers may be presented:

- a. Science and Technology – Challenges and prospects
- b. Technology and the Marginalized
- c. Gender and Science,
- d. ICT
- e. New media and society
- f. Social Inclusion and Role of Technology
- g. Networks and Knowledge Society
- h. Technology in Rural Society and Rural Technology
- i. Alternative Development and Cultural Pluralism
- j. Sustainable Development and Affordable Technology

There will be a separate session in the conference for the report presentation by student representatives of the activities of Sociology Associations at the college level. Everyone has unanimously found this exercise very welcoming in the last Conference. Please make sure that the presentation does not exceed more than ten minutes. A strong opinion came in the last General Body Meeting that the cultural programmes need to focus on the theme of the Conference and bear marks of something 'sociological' about it. Also remember that each college is expected to strictly adhere to the allotted time slot of 15 minutes for the performance.

## AWARDS

**1. Dr. Jose Murickan SJ Memorial Young Sociologist Award** - Rs. 2000/- and certificate for the best published research paper in the last three years (2008-2011), to a KSS member (life/ordinary/student) below 35 years. **Send four copies of the published paper along with the reprint and the title page of the Journal/edited volume and proof of age to the secretary, KSS before 30<sup>th</sup> November 2012.**

**2. Dr. P.K.B Nair Award for the best paper** presented in the 39<sup>th</sup> All Kerala Sociological Conference, - Rs. 1000/- and certificate for the best paper to a KSS member (life, ordinary or student) of 35 years or less in age on **31<sup>st</sup> October 2012**. The paper should be in English and approximately 3000 words. If the paper is co-authored, all the scholars must be 35 years or less on 31<sup>th</sup> October 2012. **Submit four copies of the paper with an abstract of 100-200 words before 30<sup>th</sup> November 2012.**

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**3.Dr. Joseph Puthenkalam SJ Memorial Ever-rolling Trophy** for the best Sociology Association in colleges/departments having PG/MPhil Courses in Sociology in Kerala.

**4.Sr. Mary Cecile Ever-rolling Trophy** for the best Sociology Association in Kerala having UG course in Sociology.

MEMBERSHIP FEE

Executive members representing each college, please remember to collect students' membership fee of Rs. 25/- and bring it along when you come for the conference.

JOURNAL MATTERS...

It is a matter of joy and pride that *Kerala Sociologist*, the official journal of Kerala Sociological Society, is entering its 38th year of uninterrupted publication and the sole credit goes to the editor Dr. Jacob John Kattakayam. At the same time we are also aware of the fact that the journal has serious financial crunch and unless we raise some corpus fund, its future is in real jeopardy. It is an undeniable fact that several of us have had academic, professional and career advancements in and through the journal. At this crucial juncture, we make an ardent appeal, especially to those of us who have benefited by the journal for some financial support. As decided in the AGBM, all faculty members are requested to contribute Rs 2000/ for the smooth functioning of the journal. Please send your draft/cheque to the secretary in favor of ***Kerala Sociological Society or as cash to Dr Antony Palackal, Editorial Secretatry, Kerala Sociologists.***

The Journal has a new email address: **[keralasociologist@yahoo.in](mailto:keralasociologist@yahoo.in)**. Please use this email ID for any correspondence with the journal. Executive members representing every college/department kindly remember to renew the annual subscription of the Journal at the time of the Conference.

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