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Telangana - 508254

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Dear Colleague,
Warm Greetings!

It gives me great pleasure to invite you to the 45th Annual Session of the South Indian History Congress, to be held on November 13, 14 & 15, 2026, at the Department of History & Tourism, Mahatma Gandhi University, Nalgonda, Telangana. Your esteemed presence and valuable academic and administrative insights would greatly enrich the deliberations and contribute to the event's intellectual vibrancy. We would be truly delighted to have you with us for this significant scholarly gathering.

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(Delegates registering for digital and online presentations must remit a registration fee of ₹3,300 into the Registration Account, along with the SIHC membership fee into the SIHC Account)

Local Secretary:

Dr. Ramakrishna Panasa, Department of History & Tourism, Mahatma Gandhi University, Annaparthi, Nalgonda, Telangana (Mob:8686908698, E-mail: localsecretarysihc45@gmail.com) will be the Local Secretary for the 45th Session.

Registration, Payment of Delegate Fee and Submission of Papers

Conference Fee

❖ Delegates with accommodation	: Rs. 3300
❖ Delegates without accommodation	: Rs. 2300
❖ Research Scholars with accommodation	: Rs. 1700
❖ Research Scholars without accommodation	: Rs. 1200

The registration fee shall be paid online only. Payment can be made through the details available on the website www.southindianhistorycongress.org. Delegates are requested to make the payment before starting the registration process, using the payment details provided on the portal. The registration process should then be completed by entering the details of the payment made. To ensure smooth registration and submission of research papers, all delegates must register their names and submit their research papers exclusively through the online platform on our website, before **25th October 2026**. Delegates registered for the last three sessions (2023, 2024 & 2025) can retrieve their data by entering their registered mobile number. These delegates can view/download their previous SIHC certificates from the portal. The following documents are needed to complete the registration process for new delegates:

- Photograph of the registering delegate
- SIHC ID card or any other photo ID card
- Details of the delegate fee paid
- Research paper (in Word format only)

The delegate fee will be collected online through the registration portal. We strongly encourage you to pay in advance to help us better arrange food and accommodation. This will ensure a more convenient and well-organised experience for all participants.

Membership of SIHC

As a national forum, the SIHC admits members interested in Historical Studies on South India, irrespective of regional affiliation. Members are admitted in the following categories with a financial contribution: **Annual Member Rs.600/-, Life Member Rs.5000/-, Institutional**

Membership Rs.10,000/-, Patron Rs.10,000/- and Donor Rs.50,000/- or more. The year is reckoned as a calendar year, i.e., January to December. Membership in SIHC is a primary criterion to participate in the Conference.

The membership fee shall be remitted online. Details of the online payment are provided in the membership section of our website. You may also pay the membership fee during the session at the **Department of History & Tourism, Mahatma Gandhi University, Annaparthi, Nalgonda, Telangana**. You are also requested to invite your colleagues and research scholars to join the South Indian History Congress.

Research Papers

Papers in all seven sections (*Political, Social, Economic, Cultural, Historiography and Maritime History, Histories of Marginalised Communities and Digital and Online Presentation*) will be presented simultaneously at the Session.

The research paper should be clearly typed, in Calibri, 1.5-spaced, and approximately eight pages long, with endnotes & references in Word format. Endnotes should be numbered consecutively throughout the paper and placed at the end. Only papers in English will be considered for inclusion in the proceedings volume. A small abstract in one hundred words and a list of keywords are to be shown at the beginning of the research paper. Papers that do not follow the style manual will not be considered for publication. Papers received through the portal on or before the due date will be given precedence for presentation. A member shall not be permitted to present more than one paper. A maximum of two authors is permitted to present one research paper. If a paper has two or more authors, all authors must pay the prescribed Delegate Fee and Membership Fee to the South Indian History Congress in order to avail themselves of the certificates.

Research papers submitted to the Congress shall strictly follow the style manual published on the SIHC website. To maintain the standard of our Journal, the Executive Committee has decided to apply 'Plagiarism Check' to all papers before selecting for publication.

Kasturi Misra Memorial SIHC Eminence Award

The South Indian History Congress has instituted the **Kasturi Misra Memorial SIHC Eminence Award**, effective from the year 2026 onwards and the award is to be given to a Senior Historian associated with SIHC. The award was established by Prof. R. C. Misra in memory of his beloved daughter, Kasturi Misra, as a lasting tribute to her memory and legacy.

Best Paper Awards

The South Indian History Congress has instituted the following Best Paper Awards.

1. **Kasturi Misra Memorial Young Historian Award** (For the best paper presented in all the five sections by scholars below the age of 45 - forty-five)
2. **Prof. Peddarapu Chenna Reddy & Dr. Subhashini Best Paper Award** (For the best paper in the Social History Section, without any age restriction)
3. **Dr. P. Balagurusamy and Mrs R. Uma Best Paper Award** (For the best paper presented in all five sections, without any age restriction)

Those who wish to have their papers considered for awards must submit a hard copy of their paper, clearly mentioning the name of the award on the envelope, to the following address: *Dr. Sivadasan P., Senior Professor, Department of History, University of Calicut, Calicut University P.O., Malappuram District, Kerala - 679324*. Papers submitted by the same scholar will not be considered for more than one award. Applicants for the 'SIHC Young Historian Award' must attach valid proof of age with their paper. The complete paper, along with all supporting documents, must reach the above address on or before 25th October 2026.

Endowment / Special Lectures

1. Prof. B. C. Ray Memorial Lecture : **Dr K. Rajan**
2. Kasturi Misra Memorial Lecture : **Dr Pramila Khadanga**
3. Prof. Peddarappu Chenna Reddy & Dr Subhashini Endowment Lecture: **Prof. S. Srinath**
4. Dindigul G. T. N Arts College Lecture: **Prof. Ajmal Mueen M A**
5. Prof. R. C. Misro and Dr. Kabita Mishra Joint Endowment Lecture: **H. Munavarjan**
6. Prof. N. Shaik Masthan Endowment Lecture: **Dr. Iranna Pattar**

Annual Proceedings - Journal

Research papers presented and recommended by the respective section presidents at the SIHC will be considered for publication in the Annual Proceedings Volume of the Congress. The hard copy of the Proceedings will not be published. The selected papers will be published on our website, www.southindianhistorycongress.org, immediately after completion of all necessary publication processes. Individuals can download their paper from the journal section on the website as needed.

Official Schedule

13-11-2026

- 04.00 PM to 05.00 PM : **Prof. B. C. Ray Memorial Lecture**
05.00 PM to 06.00 PM : **Kasturi Misra Memorial Lecture**
06.00 PM to 07.00 PM : **Prof. Peddarappu Chenna Reddy & Dr. Subhashini Endowment Lecture**
08.00 PM : **Executive Committee Meeting**

14-11-2026

- 04.00 PM to 05.00 PM : **Dindigul G. T. N Arts College Lecture**
05.00 PM to 06.00 PM : **Prof. R. C. Misro and Dr. Kabita Mishra Joint Endowment Lecture**
06.00 PM to 07.00 PM : **Prof. N. Shaik Masthan Endowment Lecture**

15-11-2026

- 12.00 Noon to 01.00 PM : **General Body Meeting**
01.00 PM to 02.00 PM : **Valedictory Function**

As a professional Organisation, SIHC is committed to promoting socially responsible historical research. In this venture, I am confident that you will render your wholehearted support to the Congress. We are looking forward to meeting you at Mahatma Gandhi University, Nalgonda, Telangana.

Please visit our website at www.southindianhistorycongress.org for updates.

With warm Regards,
Yours sincerely,

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