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24TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF VEDANTA UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS, DARTMOUTH, USA JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY, NEW DELHI

JANUARY 10-12, 2020 VENUE: CONVENTION CENTRE, JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY

CALL FOR PAPERS

The organizers cordially invite Abstract and full-length research Papers for oral/poster presentation from all over the World to participate in the 24th International Congress of Vedanta. The aim is to get the philosophers, scientists, educators, academia, researchers and scholar students to exchange and share their knowledge, new ideas, research results and experiences. All contributions should be of high quality, original and not published elsewhere or submitted for publication. All the papers will be reviewed by eminent scholars in the respective areas. Only selected papers will be presented in the Conference. In case the research article is accepted by the Editorial Committee, it will be published in an Edited Volume.

CONFERENCE THEMSE

International Congress of Vedanta, founded in 1986 in the Department of Philosophy at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, USA, is now located at the Center for Indic Studies, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, USA. The Vedanta Congress will continue to be the Program Planner for the future conferences but the organizational details of the conference will be handled in the Center for Indic Studies of University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, USA. In 2008, Jawaharlal Nehru University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth. Besides the exchange of Faculty and research scholars between the two Universities, it has also been agreed that the Congress of Vedanta will be held at Jawaharlal Nehru University in the year 2015 and the Organizing Committee of the Vedanta Congress has decided that the 24th Vedanta Congress will be held at Jawaharlal Nehru 2020.

International Congress of Vedanta has been the focal point for meeting of scholars specializing in all aspects of Indian philosophy especially Vedanta and philosophy of religion. In the past, the Congress has also celebrated the birth centennial of S. Radhakrishnan (1988), the 1200 anniversary of Sri Sankaracharya (1990), the centennial of Swami Vivekananda's sojourn to America and his participation in the World Parliament of Religions (1992), birth centennial of J. Krishnamurti (1995), and the 700 anniversary of Sanjeewan Samadhi of Sri Jnaneswara (1996). International Vedanta Conferences were also held in Madras, Rishikesh, Hyderabad and Visakhapatnam in India and in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad & Tobago, in order to facilitate better interaction between scholars in India and the West.

Vedanta Congress welcomes for presentation in the conferences research papers in all areas of philosophy in India and religions. Though the first Vedanta Conference began with a narrowly focused group for the study of Vedantic texts and their interpretation, the scope of the Vedanta Congress was expanded during the years to include (a) all major schools of Vedanta (Advaita, Visistadvaita, Dvaita, Suddhadvaita, etc.), Hindu, Buddhist and Jaina Darsanas, Epics, Puranas and Dharma Sastras, (b) applied Indian philosophy, dealing with contemporary issues like abortion and euthanasia, war and peace, caste and race, karma and cloning and (c) Indian philosophical implications of recent developments in mathematics, life sciences, cognitive science, etc.

In the past conferences, in addition to the mainstream papers in Vedanta, physicists have presented papers on the "Brahman of Physics," medical researchers have presented papers on advances in medical research and their implications to Vedantic problems (e.g. Cloning, transgenesis, Karma and Rebirth), environmental scientists have presented papers on the Vedantic concept of human-nature relationship and its implications for our environment, etc. It is in this perspective that papers on Practical Vedanta will be beneficial to conference attendees who would like to get some guidance in dealing with today's fast-paced and stressful life. Various schools of Vedantic philosophy (metaphysics, knowledge and hermeneutics) and life world are also included into the event.

Other topics include:

- 1. Science and Technology in Ancient Indian Texts (SATIAIT)
- 2. Interpretation of Key Texts of Indian Intellectual Tradition
- 3. Digital libraries, electronic access and search for the texts of Vedantic tradition
- 4. Yoga and Ayurveda
- 5. Spirituality and Science: Vedantic Perspective
- 6. Vedanta and Interfaith Dialogue
- 7. Indian Cosmology and Psychology Sankhya Yoga and Vedanta
- 8. Vedantic Pedagogy of Learning and Education
- 9. History, Vedanta and Indian culture
- 10. Vedanta and Varna system
- 11. Corporate world and Vedanta
- 12. Vedanta and Public Governance
 - Vedanta and music
- 13. Vedanta and Consciousness Studies

Abstract Submission

Abstracts, not exceeding 300 words, either in Hindi or in English, on any of the fore said themes should be sent latest by 15th August 2019 to the Organizing Secretary through the e-mail: <u>CongressVedanta@gmail.com</u>

Submission of Full Length Paper in 12 font size, MS WORD/PDF format

Once the Abstract gets accepted, full research paper not exceeding 4500-5000 words should be submitted latest by 15th Oct. 2019 through email: *CongressVedant@gmail.com*

The papers will be reviewed and the decision of the reviewer will be communicated by 15th Nov. 2019 for corrections, modification (major/minor), revision, etc. The final paper will be submitted not later than Dec. 15th 2019.

Certificates will be distributed after the presentation of the papers at the venue itself.

REGISTRATION FEE

Registration process can be initiated after receiving acceptance letter of full paper.

Categories	Indian delegates	Foreign delegates
Academic Faculty	INR 3000	USD 300
Research Scholars	INR 2000	USD 200
Student (UG & PG)	INR 1000	USD 100

The participants are requested to register by sending the duly filled Registration form through e-mail along with their research paper and registration fee (through RTGS/Wire Transfer or Online Transfer). The bank details are given below:

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ACCOMMODATION

Delegates will be placed at JNU Guest House and nearby Guest houses/ Hotels around the Conference Venue on payment basis.

To and fro transportation facility from the Guest house to Conference venue will be provided by the Organizer.

All communication should be by e-mail/online only (no hard copy is required to be posted)

With warm regards

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