

**IIPS National Conference on
“Demographic Convergence, Demographic Dividend, Population Ageing and Implications
for Health and Socio-Economic Transformations: Special focus on South Indian States”**

Dates: March 25-27, 2010

Venue: The Accord Metropolitan Hotel, Chennai

The three day IIPS national conference was organized in the city of Chennai during March 25-27, 2010, to deliberate on new and emerging scientific themes namely: demographic convergence, fertility transition and determinants, health, mortality and morbidity transition, age-structural transition and demographic dividend, labour force and migration, demography of ageing, health and wellbeing older population including employment, pension, social security for the elderly population and health care and health financing issues in general. The conference also extensively deliberated on key health, population and social policy challenges facing the four south Indian states namely; Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu, in the context of second demographic transition.

The conference was attended by a large number and a great blend of about 200 participants: government officials, distinguished researchers, veterans, senior academics, mid career and young scholars in the subject areas of demography, economics, social science and public health. The conference provided an enabling forum and opportunity in which seniors shared their expertise and experience with young researchers while the later discussed their creative research work while learning from the enlightened veterans.

The conference was inaugurated by Padma Bushan Shri T.V. Antony, IAS (Rtd.) former chief secretary of Government of Tamil Nadu. Shri V.K. Subburaj IAS, Secretary, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Tamil Nadu delivered the keynote address. Other speakers include Dr. Malik, additional director general of health services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Dr. S. Elango, Director of Public Health Services, Government of Tamil Nadu, and Dr. Satyanaryana, Senior National Professional Officer, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), New Delhi.

During the three days of the conference, 86 scientific papers were presented spread in 5 plenary, 8 technical sessions and two large poster gallery sessions.

In 5 plenary sessions, senior and distinguished researchers presented more than 20 research papers on various themes related to the conference. In 8 technical sessions, more than 32 research papers were presented and deliberated. Thirty two papers will be presented in poster session by young scholars.

On day one, Thursday, 25th March, the inaugural session was followed with 2 plenary and 2 technical sessions. On day 2, 26th March, 2 plenary and 4 technical sessions were conducted to discuss 24 present papers. On third day, 27th March, the conference began with the fifth plenary session followed by 2 technical sessions.

A cultural programme was organized for the delegates of the conference in the evening during by eminent Carnatic Musician and Playback singer Dr. Nityashree Mahadevan which was sponsored by the POLARIS Software Ltd. Chennai.

In the concluding and valedictory session of the conference, a distinguished panel and the participants deliberated on the recommendations concerning key policy and programme challenges facing south Indian states.

The conference was partly sponsored by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), and Population Foundation of India (PFI), New Delhi

Organizing committee

The organizing committee is grateful to the distinguished participants, resource persons, paper presenters and all participants for contributing immensely to the success of this conference.

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Attachment

- 1) **Conference Agenda**
- 2) **Photographs**