



## TEZPUR UNIVERSITY AND INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR ASIAN & PACIFIC STUDIES

### Announce

### The Seventh Biennial International Conference of IAAPS at Tezpur University, December 20-22, 2014

Dear Colleague,

I have the honor to invite you to the Seventh Biennial International Conference of the Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies to be held under the auspices of Department of Sociology, Tezpur University.

Tezpur University was established by an Act of Parliament in 1994. It is a non-affiliating and residential Central University located near the historic town of Tezpur in northern Assam. The sprawling green campus of the University consisting of about 262 acres and a modern infrastructure provide a very conducive atmosphere for learning and dedicated research. The academic programmes of the University are interdisciplinary in nature which are of special and direct relevance to the north-eastern region of India and in the emerging areas in science and technology. At present the University offers Doctoral programme in 17 disciplines, Masters Programme in 23 disciplines, Integrated M.A. and Integrated M. Com in 1 discipline each, Integrated M.Sc. in 4 disciplines, B. Tech. in 6 disciplines besides offering Integrated B.A. B.Ed., Integrated B.Sc. B.Ed., Post-Graduate Diploma, Diploma and Advanced Diploma and Certificate programmes in various disciplines.

During the last twenty years of its existence, the University has engaged itself in the process of capacity building, both in terms of infrastructure and human resource. The University has mounted tremendous efforts in developing it into a modern university incorporating all elements from the contemporary scientific and socio-cultural milieu. Such efforts have enabled the University to already carve a niche for itself in the domain of higher education of the region.

It gives us immense pleasure to inform you that Tezpur University is going to host the Seventh Biennial Conference of Indian Association of Asian and Pacific Studies (IAAPS) in Tezpur, Assam from 20-22 December, 2014.

**The Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies** is a non-profit, non-governmental registered organisation (under Act XXVI of 1961, Government of West Bengal, India) devoted to academic activities on Asian and Pacific regions. The Association promotes research, conference, seminar, lecture programs and understanding of different Asian & Pacific regions in its cultural, social, political and economic scenario. The Association is a forum for scholars engaged in Area

Studies to carry out social science oriented studies, which are to some extent inter- regional and inter-societal comparative studies. This Association in its past history of ten years has organized many prestigious national and international Seminars, Lectures and Conferences.

This Seventh Biennial International Conference will be a meeting point of scholars working on Asian & Pacific studies. We expect participation of scholars from all regions of Asia to enrich the already established network between Indian scholars & scholars across Asia-Pacific regions.

We would request you and other colleagues who are members/intend to become members of the Association to make it convenient to attend this conference and contribute to its success.

<b>Theme, Panels, Keynote Speaker</b>
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**: Theme :**

South Asia & Beyond: Past, Present and Future

**: Panels :**

1. Historicity of South Asia & Beyond
2. Geographical and Cultural Identities in South Asia & Other Asian countries
3. Major Security Issues (Traditional and Non-Traditional)in South Asia & Beyond
4. Movement of Population and Demography of South Asia: Contexts of Diaspora and Migration
5. Regional and Sub-Regional Organizations in South Asia & Beyond: Challenges and Opportunities
6. Peace and Conflict Studies in South Asia & Beyond
7. Ethnicity & Minority in South Asia & Other Asian countries: Context of Identities.
8. Gender in Society of South Asia & Beyond : Continuity and Changes
9. Social History of Science and Medicine in South Asia and Beyond
10. North East India: History, Polity and Contemporary Dimensions.

**: Keynote Speaker :**

**Professor Prasenjit Duara**, Asia Research Institute, National University of Singapore

**Dates for Submission of Abstract and Paper:**

Both abstract & full text papers are to be submitted by e-mail and in word format only.	
May 31, 2014	Closing date for receipt of abstracts (word limit 200 words)
June 30, 2014	Notification of acceptance via e-mail.
October 1, 2010	Completed full text papers to be submitted by e-mail. (Word limit 2500 words)
<b>Abstracts should be sent by email to <a href="mailto:iaaps7thbiennial@gmail.com">iaaps7thbiennial@gmail.com</a></b>	
<b>Papers should be presented in English language only.</b>	

## **How to join the Conference?**

A member of the Association as well as non members can join the Conference by paying the requisite Registration and Local Logistic Fees. Members are to clear their dues till the financial year 2014-2015 & they are requested to pay it positively before **June 30, 2014**. For details about membership, please visit the website of the Association as noted below.

Payment of Conference Registration Fees and Local Logistic Fees is compulsory for all.

All payments towards Registration fees should be made by Demand Draft in favour of **Indian Association for Asian & Pacific Studies Conference**, payable on any nationalized bank of Kolkata. *Please note: We do not accept any outstation cheque or money order.*

**The mode of payment for the Local Logistics fees will be intimated in Circular II.**

### **: Registration & Local Logistic Fees :**

#### **A. Member Delegates**

1. Registration fee of ₹ 500/- (Five Hundred only) payable by all South Asian Member Delegates and \$ 120 (One Hundred and Twenty only) in INR for non-South Asian Member Delegates.
2. Local Logistic Fees of ₹ 2500/- (Two Thousand Five hundred only) to be paid by all South Asian & Non South Asian Member Delegates.

#### **B. Non-Member Delegates**

1. Registration fee of ₹ 1000/- (One Thousand only) payable for South Asian non-Member Delegates and \$ 150 (One Hundred and Fifty only) payable for all non-South Asian non-Member Delegates.
2. Local Logistic Fees ₹ 3000 (Three Thousand only) to be paid by non-Member South Asian and Non South Asian delegates.

*Please note: anyone who will like to receive a formal invitation letter (in addition to this Circular) has to take the membership of the Association positively by July 30, 2014 & should submit abstract of paper by May 31, 2014.*

### **: Travel Subsidy :**

A limited number of travel subsidy may be available, subject to availability of funds for a few brilliant paper presenters to be decided by a Board of reviewers.

### **Accommodation**

Details about accommodation will be informed in local Secretary's Circular.

### **Post Conference Paid Up Excursion**

If there is a good number of requests, Tezpur University may organize a post conference paid excursion trip to Kaziranga on first come first serve basis. One is requested to inform the Local Secretary about his/her interest.

## IAAPS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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### Local Secretary

**Professor Chandan Kumar Sharma**, Department of Sociology, Tezpur University, Tezpur, Assam.  
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The Local Secretary will issue Circular II dealing with the logistics of the conference in due course. His contact e-mail & mobile no. are kumarsharmachandan@gmail.com, Telephone- +91-9435144482

### Warm Greetings

Yours sincerely

**Suchandra Ghosh**

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