

Congress theme: 'Anthropology: Theory to Application'

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Dates: 21st to 23rd Feb, 2021

Venue: Online (Zoom/ Google Meet)

Applications Invited For: Paper Presentation

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Bio-social aspects of human evolution, existence, health and diseases are some of numerous interesting research areas pursued by the scholars of Anthropology. The study of Anthropology developed and fine-tuned over decades and it is the outcome of progressive research from human variation in terms of biology and culture to human welfare and wellbeing. Anthropology has come to play an important role in contemporary society. It has been increasingly felt that anthropological knowledge needs to address the challenges of human beings if it has to remain relevant, meaningful and useful in the present times. The existential problems of the world cannot be merely dealt with the theoretical knowledge drawn from one discipline exclusively. For example, the issues of health, pollution, climate change, conflicts, identity and economic crisis are all fields which need knowledge drawn from diverse scientific fields. In this regard Anthropology is at vantage point because of its emphasis on holism and empirical understanding. As a result applied anthropology has come to play a major role in all facets of life. These roles could be divided into advocacy studies, as agents of change, resolving conflicting interest or providing critical understanding to resolve an issue.

Longitudinal cohort studies on social and biological aspects of community are providing new avenues of research and space for impactful interventions. The ideal goal of anthropological research is to increase the span of healthy human life and improving overall wellbeing of the communities. In all these spheres practicing anthropologists have become important contributors. At the same time, the traditional method of participant observation with long time spent in the field has become a baggage for a quick result-oriented inputs required in the current scenario. Similarly, in Biological Anthropology, hypothesis driven research is increasingly being replaced by technology driven research. It is the right time for contemplating intervention studies on ethnomedicinal practices or established health systems, like Ayurveda, Unani, Homeopathy, etc. for gathering scientific evidence on traditional Indian knowledge. Moreover, Anthropology for long has ignored the impact/influence of fields like media and pharma industries in shaping the issues of health, development and betterment. Therefore, there is an urgent need to re-examine these issues. The congress, thus, proposes to deliberate upon these issues to bridge the gap between theory and application of Anthropology to play its important role in nation building.