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REGISTRATION:

The Registration form is available on the ISGS website: www.isgstudies.org for accommodation and allied purposes. No Registration / Delegation fee will be charged from the members of ISGS. A flat fee of Rs. 2000.00 per person will be charged for all accompanying persons (non-members of ISGS). Please fill up the enclosed registration form and send it to the Local Organizing Secretary of the Conference along with the fee for non-members.

ARRANGEMENTS

Hospitality and accommodation will be provided by the organizers from 6p.m. of 30th October 2017 to 10.00 a.m of 3rd November 2017. The members staying before or after these time limits will have to make their own arrangements. No TA/DA would be paid by the host organization or by ISGS.

WEATHER

Delhi, the national capital of India is situated in northern part of India and is known for pretty cold winters. But the last day of October and first two days of November, may not be very cold. Yet it would be advisable to carry light wollen clothes to sudden climate change.

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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

India is perhaps the only great historical civilization that has maintained its cultural integrity despite variegated political influences. The unity of India owes to the wide diffusion of the cultural symbols, the spiritual values and the structure of roles and function of a continuous civilization. The identity of India has not been political but cultural with a distinctive secular component.

But historically and culturally Indian society has been eclectic. Faced by different influences and challenges, Indian society has admitted considerable ideological flexibility and has tolerated different value premises. Gandhiji throughout his life laid emphasis on Indian culture - the age old culture of Ramayana and Mahabharata. Referring to Gita as his book of spiritual reference, he carried it with him always. He imbibed ideas of non-violence and adherence to truth from Buddhism, Christianity and Upanishadas of Hinduism which put importance on sacrifice, tolerance, sharing, self-sacrifice, fellow-feeling, peaceful coexistence & eco-friendliness. He practised these in his day to day life and thus became a Mahatma. Gandhi laid emphasis on truth, means and duty to achieve salvation - Moksha in one's own life. He was firm in his opinion that these ideals when carried forward would usher in peace and goodwill everywhere. It is this unique culture of India which has kept India united and has helped it to survive despite many attacks and invasions.

The main theme of the conference is "GANDHI AND INDIAN CULTURE" and Sub-themes are as follows:-

1. Gandhi and Islam
2. Gandhi and Christianity / Buddhism / Jainism / Sikhism
3. Gandhi and Hinduism
4. Culture and Peace

ANNOUNCEMENT

Sohan Lal Tatter Award (1st, 2nd & 3rd) will be awarded to best paper submitted by Young Gandhian Scholars

THE ORGANIZERS

INDIAN SOCIETY OF GANDHIAN STUDIES

The Indian Society of Gandhian Studies (ISGS) was formed in pursuance of a resolution adopted at the conference on "Studies in Gandhian Thought" convened by Gandhi Bhawan, University of Allahabad from 2nd to 4th October, 1972. Ever since, it has acquired the reputation of a scholarly national organization with a time honored legacy of promoting teaching, research and publications related to Gandhian thought. ISGS through its National Annual Conferences has been providing various opportunities to facilitate interaction amongst scholars, activists and institutions of Gandhian studies. The first Annual Conference of ISGS was inaugurated by renowned Gandhian, Acharya J.B Kriplani in 1972 at Allahbad. Since then, well known intellectuals like Jai Prakash Narain, Pyare Lal, U.N. Dhebar, K.M. Munshi, G. Ramchandran, J.K. Mehta, Gunnar Myrdal and Mother Teresa etc. have immensely contributed in enriching ISGS. Realizing the fact that the dedication and commitment of the articulate minority and the inconspicuous activists is essential for promoting Gandhian thought, the Society has been organizing regular annual conferences across the country, providing a distinctive platform for reflection, discussion, debate, analysis and exploration of the subjects related to Gandhian Thought and Action. The previous conference of ISGS (39th) was held at Baripada of Odisha from 21st to 23rd October, 2017, where Prof. Ramjee Singh, Prof. Satish Rai, Prof. Sh. Prakashmani Tripathi and noted Gandhians from different parts took part on the deliberations on the theme - "Gandhian Concept of Development". Moving beyond eulogization, romanticization of Gandhi, ISGS endeavors to promote rational conceptualization of Gandhian philosophy and action." Gandhi's thought and actions emanated from his characteristic total view of life. ISGS has constantly tried to promote the study of Gandhian thought at the level of Universities as a separate and an

independent discipline. It is highly appreciable that the number of Universities with Departments of Gandhian Studies has increased with every passing year. Also with more than 1300 Life Members, ISGS is witnessing the exponential expansion of the Society. Large participation in the annual conferences is a proof of the relevance and sustained interest in both ISGS and Gandhian philosophy.

GANDHI SMRITI AND DARSHAN SAMITI

Gandhi Smriti, erstwhile Birla House, where Mahatma Gandhi spent last 144 days of his life and fell victim to assassin's bullets on January 30, 1948, treasures the memories of various historical events of the pre-independent India. A Martyr's Column stands at the spot where the Father of the Nation was assassinated, commemorating the martyrdom of Mahatma Gandhi as embodiment of all the sufferings and sacrifices that characterized the long struggle for India's freedom. On display in the museum are photographs, sculptures, paintings, frescoes, inscriptions on rocks and relics pertaining to the years Mahatma Gandhi spent here etc. The meager personal effects of Gandhiji too are carefully preserved in the room he lived in in the corner of the building.

Sprawling Gandhi Darshan, came into existence in 1969 to mark the birth centenary of Mahatma Gandhi and later in 1984 it was merged with Gandhi Smriti. Besides, housing one of the largest exhibition on the life and works of Mahatma Gandhi in the world, it functions as an 'Interpretation Centre' where the eternal message of Gandhiji is implemented through various programmes.

CALL FOR PAPERS

You are requested to kindly submit the abstract of your paper (Max. 250 words) latest by 30th Sept. 2017 to the Local Organizing Secretary on the Email - ISGSdelhi2017@gmail.com

The complete text of your paper (Max. 5000 words) should be submitted latest by 15th October, 2017 either in English (MS word, Times New Roman, 12 Font) or in Hindi (Kruti