Indian Association of Clinical Psychologists

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Annual Report-2015

(Presented during 42nd Annual General Body Meeting held on 26th February, 2016 at Jubilee Hall, RIMS, IMPHAL)

It is indeed my proud privilege to present the Annual Report for the year 2015.

Obituary: Dr.C.P. Somasundaram passed away on 22-7-15. He was the founder members of the association, Prof.Somasundaram had retired from Amrita Institute. He is survived by wife Dr. Sarala, and two daughters settled in U.K. and Switzerland. IACP places on record our heartfelt condolence. May his soul Rest in peace.

- 2. New Members and the present strength: The total strength of members is approximately 1200. 84 new members have been added. They are as following: PLM 21, PAM-2, LAM 38 and AAM 23. The address of few members were corrected and communicated. The membership directory has been updated and uploaded on to the website.
- **3. Awards:** The awardees of the year 2015-16 are as follows:

Orations/ Awards 2015-16

H. N. Murthy Oration	Dr. Alka Nizamie (F- 145)
Kang Oration	Dr. Sujatha D. Sharma (F-234)
Psycho Award	Dr. Manoj Kr. Sharma (PLM -343/95/10)
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Award	Rushi Tamanna (PLM-221/08)

There were five papers submitted for S.C. Gupta Best paper Award out of which three were selected for presentation.

Forensic Clinical Psychology Award - Dr S.L. Vaya received the award for her contribution to the field of Clinical Psychology.

- **4. Indian Journal of Clinical Psychology:** Dr. K.S. Sengar, continues to be the Editor of IJCP. We congratulate him and the Journal Committee for bringing out both the issues of the journal for the year 2015 in the same year. The process of indexing the journal in Pub Med has been initiated. Further correspondence has also been made. The journal is indexed in Indmed and copies are sent to the library in the Parliament also.
- 5. IACP Web-related matters: The website has been updated. Reports have been put on the website. We have uploaded the announcement of conferences on the website. Currently we are able to upload files through Fignet who have not charged us for the same. We acknowledge the support of Fignet for updating the website without any financial burden to the Association. However, we have to find a sustainable measure for the same.
- **6. National and International level initiatives:** This year we collaborated with International conference the celebration of Psychology celebration held at Kolkata from 8th to 10th Oct 2015. President of the association, and Gen Sec attended the conference along with council members. Symposium was presented on behalf of the IACP Dr Amool.R.Singh, President Elect, Hon Gen Sec .and Dr. Sam Manickam also participated in symposium. The meeting of three associations, NAoP, IAAP, and IACP was held and the discussion centered around for working together on common themes. Prasanta Roy was nominated to participate in 4th International Workshop on Psychological Intervention After Disaster from 9th to 12th November, 2015 at Taipei, Faculty from USA, Australia, New Zealand Sri Lanka, Nepal, China, Japan, Malaysia, Indonesia, India, Philippines, who were into Disaster Research, shared their experiences. The logo of IACP was put in poster presentation.

Dr. Ashima Nehra was nominated to represent IACP in conference of WFNR (World Federation of Neuro Rehabilitation). The meeting took place on 2nd October, 2015 during IANCON (Indian Academy of Neurology Conference) 2015 at Agra. It was attended by experts from Neurology, Neurology-Stroke, Neurology-Association of Movement Head Injury Foundation, Speech and Hearing, Physical Rehabilitation, Occupational Therapy. World Neuro-Rehabilitation Conference in 2018 is planned in India Jaipur from 7-10th Feb, 2018. There was a proposal to join hands and co-organize Annual conference. This will give wider visibility to the Association at international level.

Multi Associations Meeting: The Multi Association meeting was held on 10.10.2015 at Kolkata. IAAP, IACP and NAoP agreed in principle to work together toward a common goal to be identified by all three. IAAP and IACP agreed on the decision to work under a Federation without submerging either's identity. The ad hoc name of FIPA (Federation of Indian Psychology Associations) was also agreed upon by IACP and IAAP, although they remained open to any other suggestion to be considered.

Dr Uday Kumar Sinha represented IACP at NAoP conference held at Allahabad. He participated in Symposium during their conference from 2nd to 5th Feb 2016. Multi Association meeting of IAAP, NAoP and IACP was held and it consensus was achieved to work together on professional matters.

IACP also became Logistic Partner for International Conference on "Education for Sustainable Development: Empowering Individuals with Multiple Disability". on 27th and 28th February 2016 at New Delhi . The International Conference is being organized by National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (NIEPMD) established under the Administrative control of Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities under Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt of India.

- **7. Anomalies in qualification / appointment in vacant post:** The President and the Secretary had written to the Rehabilitation Council of India regarding the anomalies pertaining to filling up of the vacancies based on qualification. This issue was raised by the members. The letter has also been written to the centers where anomaly was brought to the notice
- **8. Go Green:** Attempt was made to have paper-less transactions. The e-communication was activated in EC functioning also. It is the need of the hour to communicate more frequently through emails to expedite matters. We have email Ids of 600 members and new members are being added for the purpose of communication.
- 9. **Allied Health care Bill.** The modification in the Proposal of Allied Health Care Bill was represented. Task committee was formed with senior members of the Association letter was written to the ministry. It was duly acknowledged.
- **10. 42**nd **NACIACP-2016**: National Annual Conference is being organized during 24th to 27th Feb, 2016 at Department of Clinical Psychology, Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS),at RIMS, IMPHAL, Manipur. The theme of the conference is "Conflict resolution, Psychosocial aspects: Role of Clinical Psychologists". Approximately 250 delegates have registered for the conference. Preconference workshop was organized

on Application of Psychodrama in alcohol dependence, Psychological Intervention after Disasters: Issues and Techniques and Use of Projective Test in Children. Symposiums were organized on substance abuse and personality disorders, Conflict Resolution: Genesis, Issues & Problems, Violence Against Women and parenting skills. There were more than 100 free papers submitted for presentation.

On behalf of the IACP, I thank Prof . A K Singh, Chairperson, Organizing Committee, and Dr. Samita Ng, Organizing Secretary, and all the members of Organizing Committee. I thank all the faculty members and students of this institute for making this event a successful and memorable one. I end this report thanking the President, the Executive Council members and all the members of IACP. Thanks to all the members for all your support in office and requesting you to continue to provide the same.

For and on behalf of the Executive Council

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Dr. Kalpana Srivastava Hon. Gen Sec., IACP