



NATIONAL CONFERENCE
On



**ISSUES AND CHALLENGES FACED BY
THE ELDERLY**

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**ASTRA- SOCIAL WORK FORUM
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK (AIDED)**

MADRAS SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

*(An Autonomous Institution affiliated to the University of Madras)
Chennai 600008, Tamil Nadu.*

About Madras School of Social Work (MSSW)

Madras School of Social Work (MSSW), established in 1952, located in Chennai, South India, is an Autonomous Institution, NAAC accredited with 'A' grade in 2016 and affiliated to University of Madras. Madras School of Social Work was founded by Mary Clubwala Jadhav under the auspices of Madras State Branch of the Indian Conference of Social Work (renamed the Indian Council of Social Welfare) and the Guild of Service (central). The school is run under the aegis of the Society for Social Education and Research (SSER). The college is undertaking community projects to empower the weaker sections marginalized groups in the neighbourhood community and thereby to facilitate their sustainable growth, and enhancing student's learning process. The college is rated as 3rd Best Social Work Colleges in India and first in South India by the outlook magazine in 2017.

National Institute of Social Defence (NISD), New Delhi

The National Institute of Social Defence (NISD) was set up originally as Central Bureau of Correctional Services in 1961, under the Ministry of Home Affairs, in pursuance of the recommendations emerging at various National Forums. In 1964, the Bureau was transferred to the then Department of Social Security. Since 1975 the Institute was a subordinate office under the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment. The National Institute of Social Defence is the nodal training and research institute in the field of social defence. Though social defence covers the entire gamut of activities and programmes for the protection of society, this Institute is currently focusing on human resource development in the areas of drug abuse prevention, welfare of senior citizens, beggary prevention, transgender and other social defence issues.

Department of Social Work (Aided)

Department of Social work (Aided) is a flagship department of MSSW, started in the year 1952. The department offers Master of Social Work (MSW), M.Phil and Ph. D. in Social Work (full time and Part time). Being one of India's best Social Work institutions, the MSW course in MSSW, offers three specialisations, namely Human Resource Management, Community Development and Medical and Psychiatric Social Work. These three specialisations aim at preparing students to offer valuable services in the industrial setting, community setting and hospital setting respectively. Being the oldest department of the college, the MSW Aided department continues to provide quality education to its students both theoretically and practically by constantly updating the curriculum according to the recent trends and aims at the overall nurturing of the students. The mission of the MSW program is to serve the public by preparing its graduates as professionals in advanced generalist practice and to equip them with skills necessary for leadership roles within the Social Work Profession. The course is structured in a way that emphasises on the concept of "empathy" which is very much spoken of in the recent times. It also helps in improving each student to be independent both professionally and personally.

Astra-Social Work Forum

It is a platform where the members of the forum, namely the students of Community Development and the Medical and Psychiatric specializations come together to conduct activities that enhance the knowledge and practice of social work in different field of specializations. The forum is guided by the faculty of the social work department, Aided. Through the forum, the members conduct guest lectures, organize visits, screen documentaries and also conduct state and national level seminars and conferences. The major aim of this forum is to impact social change and enable the students to be the change makers.

About the conference

In today's developing countries, the rise of chronic non-communicable disease such as heart diseases, cancer, diabetics' reflects changes in lifestyle and diet as well as aging. With continuous decline in death rates among the older peoples and the limits of life expectancy and life span are not obvious. Elderly is the critical and final stage of life and our society devalues it in many ways and there is a need to negotiate the issues and challenges of the elderly such as dependency, old age homes(OAH),etc.

Aging population tends to have a higher prevalence of physical disabilities, mental illnesses and co- morbidities. The health needs and health related problems of elderly people cannot be viewed in isolation. There is a wide gamut of determinants such as social concerns, ill treatment towards elderly, food and nutritional requirements, economic constraints, health care systems etc. This conference will help to promote positive attitudes and approach towards the elderly. Prevention and control of health problems of elderly necessitates a multifaceted approach incorporating active collaboration of health, social welfare, rural/urban development and legal sectors. Provision of quality assured health-care services for the elderly population is a challenge that requires joint approach and innovative strategies. Failure to address the needs of elderly today could develop into a costly problem tomorrow.

Aim of the Conference

- To create a platform to the academicians, researchers and students to share the information and knowledge on geriatric care.
- To identify the emerging issues and challenges of elderly and to share information on innovative interventions to address the same.

Conference inputs

The conference will have inputs from eminent experts who have been working and doing research in the field of geriatric care with a focus on the health, rising issues, challenges, social work practice in the field and so on. A significant input will be in the form of empirical paper presentations by faculty members, research scholars and representatives from government and NGO sectors.

Presentation and Publication

The conference aims at bringing the knowledge of distinguished experts as technical sessions, panel discussions and paper presentations. Selected papers presented in the conference will be published in the form of edited volume of book with **ISBN or Journal with ISSN**. The cost of the publication will be **borne** by the author/s and the same will be intimated to them accordingly.

Overall focus of the theme will be on the issues and challenges faced by the elderly, with the sub themes mentioned below through the deliberation by the experts in the field, practitioners, academicians and research scholars.

SUB THEMES

<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Tapping the Talents, Contributions and Participation of Older Persons in Society2. Stigma and discrimination against aging3. Current trends in geriatric care4. Institutional care and vocational training5. Inclusion of elderly in society6. Elderly abuse – a rising issue7. Physical, economical, social and psychological well-being of elderly8. Mental health issues and problems of elderly9. Government interventions - A critical review10. Old age homes in India11. The conditions of elderly in rural and urban settings12. Quality of life in developed, developing and under developed countries13. The role of Elderly self help groups14. Family counselling and Gerontological social work	<ol style="list-style-type: none">15. SDG and elderly care16. Substance abuse and its impact on aging17. Sedentary lifestyle and ageing problems18. Disability and elderly19. Health rights and safety issues for elderly20. Elderly health & support systems21. Community based elderly care and interventions22. Rising aging burden and Care takers' problems23. Non -Governmental organisation models in elderly health24. Social work institutions and their interventions to geriatric care25. International, National and state policies for elderly26. Appropriate usage of social work methods for elderly care27. Importance of family support in elderly care28. Other related themes
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Paper Submission Guidelines

Abstract: Abstract must be in typed format, not exceeding 300 words, which along with the registration form should reach us by **10th January 2018 (Wednesday)**

Full Paper Guidelines

Submission	Norms for Full Papers
Full Papers	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Format: Papers should have a basic format viz: Title, Name of the author(s) Abstract, Key Words (not more than four words).2. Author's affiliation, Contact address, Designation, Phone/Mobile, and e-mail should be printed as Footnote.3. Font Style :Times New Roman, Font Size 12, Line spacing: 1.5 line Space, Margin : 1 inch in right, left, top and bottom, Format: Microsoft Word 2007 or MS Word 20034. Number of Words/Pages: Within 2000 words/ Five Pages including Title, Abstract, Tables and References5. References in APA style.6. Plagiarism & copyright violation is strictly denounced7. Only Selected papers/authors will be requested to submit the Undertaking letter by Authors separately.

Please send the abstract and full papers to this Email id: socialworkforum@mssw.in

Conference Deadlines

- **Last date for Abstract submission** : **10th January, 2018**
- **Last date for Full paper submission** : **05th February, 2018**
- **Last Date for Registration as participants** : **20th February, 2018**

Registration fee

S.N	Category	Registration Fee	Last Date for payment
1.	Paper Presenters *	Rs. 500	10th February 2018
2.	Participants –academicians and Practitioners	Rs. 200	22nd February 2018
3.	Students participants	Rs. 100	

Note: *Presented papers will be selected for publication either in an edited book with ISBN or Journal with ISSN only on payment of Registration fee and the cost of publication separately (will be shared by the authors and same will be informed before the publication) within the stipulated time. Payment can be made through **online or in cash.**

BANK DETAILS FOR PAYMENT

- Name of the bank : Indian Bank, Egmore Branch
- Account Name : SOCIAL WORK FORUM
- Account number : 862471253
- IFSC Code : IDIB000E004

We request the delegates to submit/send the payment receipt for online transactions to the conference secretariat.

Registration Fee : It includes Conference Materials and Lunch

Travel Grant : No TA and DA will be provided.

Accommodation : Accommodation can be arranged on request by giving a minimum of one week advance information and accommodation cost will be borne by the delegates.

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Registration Form

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with Author/s name

Fee Details : **Cash**

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Accommodation : **Required** **Not Required**

(Kindly inform well in advance and the cost of accommodation will be borne by the participants on first cum first serve basis)

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