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Contribution of Indian  
Philosophical System to Ayurveda

An effort to strengthen the basic foundations of Ayurveda to kindle original thinking in order to meet the needs of contemporary society



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Dear all,

Greetings from CISSA

Ayurveda has got strong foundational roots in the vedic systems especially the six systems of Indian philosophy, which are the upa-angas of veda. Each of the Indian philosophical systems has contributed to the evolution of the philosophy, principles and practice of Ayurveda in its own unique and extensive manner. This strong connection was well known to the practitioners of Ayurveda of yesteryears, for whom learning Sanskrit language and Indian philosophical systems was a pre-requisite to studying Ayurveda. Such a study gave them a deep seated understanding of the theories and principles of Ayurveda which had a great impact on the effectiveness of their clinical practice.

Unfortunately, in the current Ayurvedic educational system, not much thrust has been given to this aspect and it is regrettable that Indian Philosophical systems are taught as a part of the history of Ayurveda with no focus on their importance and role in shaping its very foundations.

This seminar intends to motivate teaching faculty of Padartha Vignana, Samhita, Samskrita, Siddhanta, Ayurvedic practitioners and senior students of Ayurveda to dwell deep in to the philosophical fundamentals of Ayurveda, recognize their contribution to the advancement of this science and to initiate a more serious work on the theoretical foundations.

Majority of the presentations in the Seminar will be by invited speakers, who are eminent philosophers and academicians, known for their knowledge in Shad Darshanas. There will be also an opportunity for a few to make oral and poster presentations on the topic.

We cordially invite you to participate in the Seminar.

With warm regards

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Themes

Contribution of Vyakarana,  
Sahitya, Vaisheshika, Nyaya,  
Sankhya, Yoga, Poorva  
Mimamsa, Uttara Mimamsa  
(Vedantha) and Contribution of  
other subsidiary Vedic systems  
to Ayurveda.

Panel discussion for  
recommendation to the  
education sector.

Invited Speakers

**Prof. M.A. Lakshmithathachar**  
(Former Director, Institute of Sanskrit Studies, Melkote) Senior Advisor, FRLHT, Bangalore  
**Prof. V.N. Jha**, Director, Centre for Advanced Studies in Sanskrit, University of Poona,  
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Format for Submission of Abstract

Theme (Select from the list above)  
Title (should be clear, descriptive and concise) (Central Alignment, Upper Case; Times New Roman Font with size 14, Bold)  
Name(s) and Address (es) of Author(s) with e-mail ID (Central Alignment, title case, font size 12, names alone bold)  
Abstract (in normal Times New Roman font with 12 Size)  
The Abstract should be clear, descriptive and not longer than 300 words. Since the abstract is printed separately, it must be able to stand alone. Reference should therefore be avoided, but if essential, they must be cited in full, without reference to the reference list. Non-standard or uncommon abbreviations should be avoided, but if essential they must be defined at their first mention in the abstract itself.

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Rs 500/- (all except students) Students: Rs. 250/- (Spot Registration 20% extra)

Dates to Remember

Last date for submission of Abstract and Application Form: 25th February 2009  
Date of intimation about selection of papers: 28th February 2009 (by email/phone)

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