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Indian Health Economics and Policy Association on

# New Paradigms in Health Economics and Policy

Organized by Institute of Economic Growth



January 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025



Venue: India International Centre, New Delhi

Link for Abstract submission: https://forms.gle/j83hrxDvMbipNpuJ8

# **Call for Abstracts**

The Institute of Economic Growth is organizing the 12th Annual Conference of the Indian Health Economics and Policy Association (IHEPA) from January 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 at India International Centre, New Delhi. The theme of the conference is "New Paradigms in Health Economics and Policy". The conference seeks to address the evolving landscape of health research and policymaking. In recent times, the field of health economics has undergone significant transformation as new paradigms emerge to address the evolving global complexities. The conference provides a forum for delving into emerging domains regarding health policies and investments in healthcare. This conference serves as a timely and essential platform for bringing together experts, scholars, policymakers, and practitioners from diverse disciplines to collaborate on research, address new concerns, and build creative solutions for population health.

# **Objective of the Conference**

The overall objective of the conference is to provide a platform for exchanging knowledge, exploring research, and communicating evidence-based ideas on new paradigms in health economics and policymaking. It aims to foster open discourse and interdisciplinary collaboration in emerging areas in health economics and policy.

### **Abstract Submission** (not exceeding 300 words)

Individual scholars, practitioners, or policymakers interested in participating are invited to submit the abstracts of papers based on original research that addresses the core concerns of this conference as described in the thematic areas below.

### **Abstract Themes**

- Adolescent health and well being
- Climate change and health
- Digital health and artificial intelligence (AI)
- Evaluation of health policies and programmes
- Food fortification
- Healthy aging and silver dividend
- Healthcare financing and nutrition financing
- Measurement and rankings in health and well-being indices
- Occupational health, labor market and demographic dividend
- Physical activity, sports and nutrition
- Regulatory and fiscal policies in health and nutrition
- Social protection for nutrition
- Sustainable Development Goals and targets
- Unhealthy food consumption

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## **Pre-Conference Workshop**

### Workshop 1: Application of R Software for Health Data Analysis

Resource persons: Prof. Vikram Dayal and Dr. M. Rahul (Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi)

Risavery useful free language widely used in disciplines like statistics, biostatistics and epidemiology, with increasing use by economists. The R workshop will aim to provide an initial exposure to those who do not know R but would like to learn R. Because it is a programming language this workshop will help newcomers to R get an initial familiarity and cover key aspects of working with R. The following hands-on learning and lab sessions will be of substantive interest to participants.

- Introduction to R / Rstudio and vectors and dataframes.
- Wrangling and graphing world development indicators (global health indicators). This will use the famous ggplot package.
- Introduction to basic data analysis using data from the paper titled "Health awareness and the transition towards clean cooking fuels: Evidence from Rajasthan".
- Meta-analysis plays a critical role in health policy. The fourth session will be an introduction to conducting a meta-analysis with R using the example of the BCG vaccine.

Participants will be given prior materials to go through and will need to bring their own laptops with the latest versions of R and RStudio installed (from the internet).

Total seats: 20 (preference will be given to PhD scholars and students)

### Workshop 2: Research and Analysis using NSS Data

#### Resource persons:

Dr. Md. Zakaria Siddiqui (Jamia Millia Islamia)

Dr. Balakrushna Padhi (BITS, Pilani)

Dr. Md. Kashit Khan (Jamia Millia Islamia)

Dr. Vaibhav Puri, coordinator (Sri Guru Gobind Singh College of Commerce, Delhi University)

The National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) conducts the Household Consumer Expenditure Survey (CES) to present estimates of household consumption expenditure on various food and non-food items at the national and state levels. The data collected helps to understand the consumption and expenditure patterns, standard of living, and well-being of households. The workshop aims to introduce NSSO CES data and explore the basic descriptive analysis such as summary statistical measures and comparisons with the report estimates. The resource persons will also engage in discussing the data management techniques and applications of the data for research papers.

Total seats: 40 (preference will be given to PhD scholars and students from India)

All selected participants are required to register for the conference.



### **Guidelines for Abstracts and Full Papers**

Please submit the abstract in the following prescribed format.

- Authors are requested to submit Abstracts with a maximum of 300 words (excluding references)
   in electronic form via email <a href="mailto:ihepa2025@gmail.com">ihepa2025@gmail.com</a> by 15th December 2024.
- All abstracts will be reviewed by organising committee, based on which, some selected abstracts will be invited to submit a full paper for oral presentation.

### Format for Abstract (word limit 300)

- Title of the Abstract: Times New Roman,
   Font size- 14 pts, Bold
- Author(s): Full name in Times New Roman,
   Font size- 12 pts, Bold and Italics
- Author(s) Affiliation: Name of the Institute,
   Designation and contact details in Times
   New Roman, Font size- 12 pts

# Format for Full Paper (word limit 3000 words excluding References and Tables)

- Title: Times New Roman, Font size- 14 pts, Bold
- Author(s): Full name in Times New Roman,
   Font size- 12 pts, Bold and Italics
- Author(s) Affiliation: Name of the Institute,
   Designation and contact details in Times
   New Roman, Font size- 12 pts
- All the paper presenters and participants will receive certificates for their participation.

## Registration

Registration for the presenting author and accompanying author(s) attending the conference is mandatory.

# Timelines for Abstract Submission and Review

| Date   | Timeline   |
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| 06 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 2024                       | Call for Abstract Open   |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2024                       | Last date for submission of abstracts  |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 2024                       | Communication for Acceptance/Rejection of abstracts and Call for full papers open for selected abstracts |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 2025                       | Last date for full paper<br>Submission for invited<br>papers   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan, 2025                       | Pre-conference<br>workshop   |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup><br>Jan, 2025 | Conference dates   |

# **Registration Fee**

Registration opens from 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 onwards. The registration charges are as follows:

|   | Without<br>Accomodation |        | With<br>Accomodation |        |
|---|-------------------------|--------|----------------------|--------|
| Category  | IHEPA<br>Member         | Others | IHEPA<br>Member      | Others |
| Early Bird<br>Registration by Dec<br>31st, 2024                   | ₹ 1000                  | ₹ 1000 | ₹ 2000               | ₹ 3000 |
| Last Day of Online<br>Registration Jan<br>15 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 | ₹ 1500                  | ₹ 1500 | ₹ 3000               | ₹ 4000 |
| On-the-spot<br>Registration                                       | ₹ 2000                  | ₹ 2000 | NA                   | NA     |

Note: 50% registration fee is waived off for students registered in Universities and Research Institutes in India.



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# **Travel Support and Logistics Information**

All the outstation registered paper presenters and pre-conference workshop participants will be entitled to modest boarding and lodging facilities and the conference kit. All outstation authors are requested to indicate whether they require support to cover their travel expenses. AC 3-tier round-trip express train fare by shortest route (except Rajdhani, Satabdi and Vande Bharat express) may be reimbursed on the production of actual tickets. Only one author per paper accepted for presentation will be eligible for travel support. Boarding and lodging will be provided to the delegates for a maximum of 3 nights from January 21st to 23rd, 2025, beyond which the participants need to make their own arrangements. The pre-conference workshop participants can avail accommodation on January 20th, 2025 as well.

# **Organizing Committee**

Udaya Shankar Mishra Manisha Karne S K Godwin Subrata Mukherjee Salim Shah Gudakesh Reshmi Sengupta Sunil Rajpal Mayanka Ambade Vaibhav Puri Narendra Patel William Joe







# **Awards and Certificates**

#### T. N. Krishnan Award

The best paper award for early career researchers (below 40 years) will be given in honor of Prof. T.N. Krishnan. A certificate and an honorarium of ₹ 20,000/- for the best paper selected by the conference committee will be provided to the first author.

### **Gavin Mooney Prize**

Two best paper by Ph.D. students will be awarded in honor of Prof. Gavin Mooney. An honorarium of ₹ 10,000/- each will be provided for the best papers by PhD scholars as selected by the conference committee. The PhD students should be the presenters and the lead authors of the research paper.

All the paper presenters and participants will receive certificates for their participation.

### **About IHEPA**

The Indian Health Economics and Policy Association (IHEPA) is a registered society under the Society's Registration Act 1960. The office is located at the International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai. IHEPA welcomes all those interested in issues relating to health economics and policy to be a part of this association. IHEPA welcomes young scholars and researchers, grassroots practitioners, the private sector and community-based organizations to participate actively so that all views and experiences can be heard, debated, understood and absorbed. Please visit <a href="https://ihepa.org/">https://ihepa.org/</a> for further information.

#### **About IEG**

The Institute of Economic Growth (IEG) is an autonomous, multidisciplinary center for advanced research and training. Widely recognized as a center of excellence, it is one of the leading academic institution in the field of economic and social development. It is founded in 1958 by the eminent economist V.K.R.V Rao. IEG research falls into broad themes: Agriculture and rural development, environment and resources economic, globalization and trade. Industry, labor and welfare, macroeconomic policy and modeling, Population and development, health policy and social change and social structure.



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