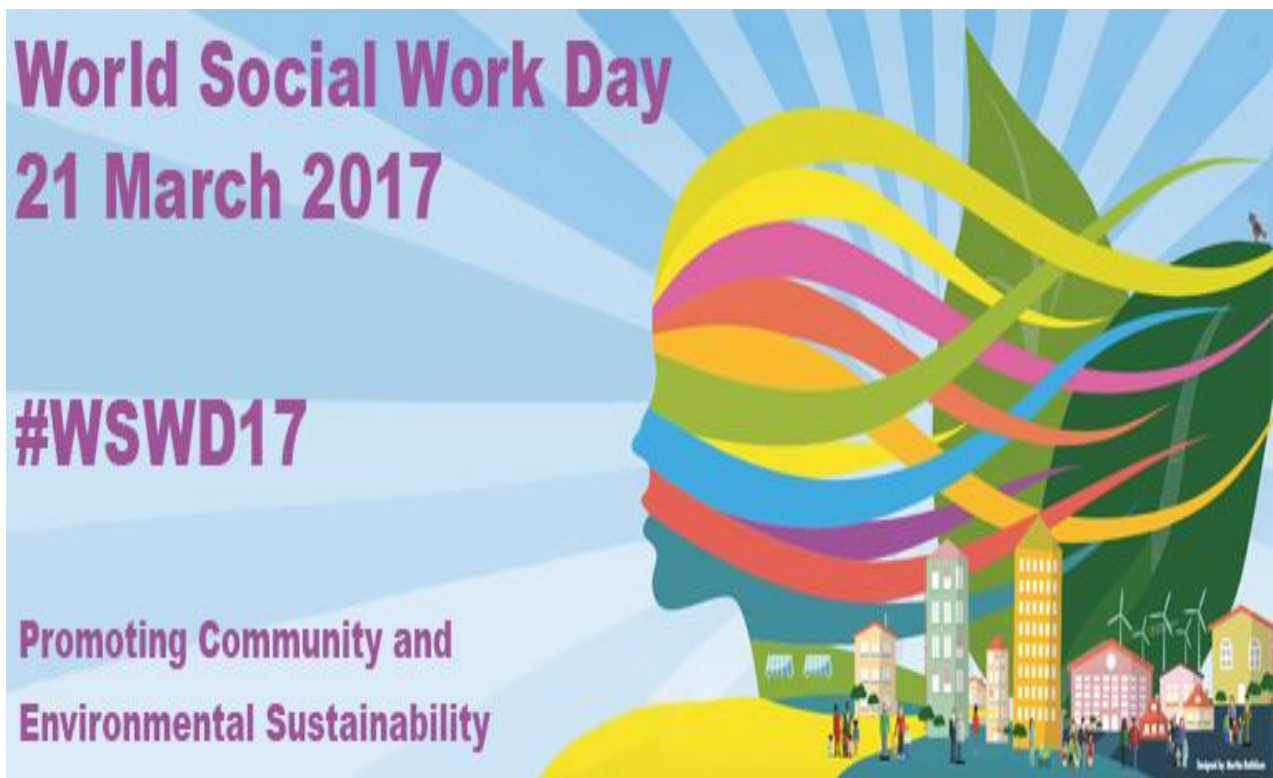


# **WORLD SOCIAL WORK DAY 2017**

## **PROCEEDINGS**



**DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORK**  
**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH AND NEURO SCIENCES**  
**(Institute of National Importance)**  
**BENGALURU - 560029**

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The World Social Work Day was celebrated by the Department of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS, Bengaluru on Tuesday, the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017. The theme of the day was 'Promoting Community and Environmental Sustainability in Mental Health'. As part of the celebration the following programs and activities have been carried out.

**1. Case presentation and discussion through Virtual Knowledge Network:** conducted between 10:00am and 12:00pm at 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Women De-Addiction Centre and at Seminar Hall, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Dr. MV Govindaswamy Centre, NIMHANS, and Bengaluru. 33 members registered and participated in the virtual case discussion and dyadic interaction through online from United States, various parts of the Country and Karnataka. This was the first initiative by the Department of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS, Bengaluru where the registered members from different places interacted face to face through online and discussed about social work interventions with the help of a case presentation.

This program was coordinated by Dr. Ameer Hamza and team and in collaboration of NIMHANS Virtual Knowledge Network team headed by Dr. Vivek Benegal, Dr. Prabhath K Chand and team.

**2. Poster Exhibition and Competition:** more than 25 posters (prepared by members of the Psychiatric Social Work Department and Block Placement Trainees) displayed on the pavement area of Dr. M V Govindaswamy Centre, NIMHANS. The posters contain the pictures, information on pioneers of social work, methods and fields of social work, knowledge about mental illnesses, neurological conditions, rehabilitation and other information related to the theme of the World Social Work Day 2017. The posters were evaluated by an expert from the Department of Biostatistics, NIMHANS and selected two as best posters. Mr. Patrik Jude and Mr. Fahim Ul Hassan, Ph.D Scholars from the Department of Psychiatric Social Work own first prize; Ms. A P Jayashree and Ms. K Deepika Block Placement trainees from Madras School of Social Work, Chennai own the second prize for best posters. The winners were distributed with cash prize for the same.

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Epilepsy were effectively presented in the street play. The street play resulted with an interaction between the gathering and professionals where information on treatment and services at NIMHANS were shared. The gathering was distributed with the refreshments sponsored by Bengaluru Dairy.

**4. Quiz Competition:** Quiz competition was organized between 1:30 and 2:00pm at 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Seminar Hall, Dr. Govindaswamy Centre, NIMHANS. 14 candidates participated in the 20 questions related to social work organizations, education, contemporary developments, social policy etc were asked. Mr. Vinit Kumar Singh, Ph.D Scholar and Ms. Noopur Singh, M.Phil scholar from the Department of Psychiatric Social Work own first prize in the competition; Mr. Virupaksha, Ph.D Scholar, Mr. Ramappa and Mrs, Kripa Gouda, II M.Phil scholars from the Department of Psychiatric Social Work have own the second prize in the competition. The winners were distributed with cash prizes. These community outreach programs were coordinated by Dr. Dhanashekara Pandian and team.

**5. Symposium:** as part of the World Social Work Day celebration a Symposium was organized at 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Seminar Hall, Dr. Govindaswamy Centre, NIMHANS. The symposium was inaugurated by Professor S K Chaturvedi, I/c Director of NIMHANS. Professor Chaturvedi released the information poster on steps to avail disability pension for persons suffering from mental illness in Karnataka and in his address appreciated the department for having hosting such an event and mentioned the contribution and need of psychiatric social work discipline in mental health setting. Further, the event proceeded by three eminent speakers in the field of social work.

*Dr. K Hemalatha*, Associate Professor from Christ University, Bengaluru gave a talk on Sustainable Social Work Education Models. She communicated that students are the resources in education and the teachers should have trust in capacity of students in new learning and should facilitate the process on mutual learning for innovative expansion of education and action research.

*Dr. Rajaram Subbian* gave a talk on Expanding Horizons of Social Work Practice. He communicated in his speech that we have already expanded the horizons of social work practice in terms of theories, approaches, models and so on but we have failed in governance and licensing. And the speaker indicated that the social workers have to come together and work together for the same.

*Mrs. Shangmithra Iyengar* gave a talk on Sustainable Community Based Programs. She highlighted the principle of 'community self determination' and social workers' role in transformation of social work philosophy and principles. She reported that we have to help the community to prioritize the needs and they are aware about their needs. The speaker also explained how to harness the involvement of power groups such as political parties, government and non-government organizations. The Symposium was coordinated by Professor A Thirumoorthy and team.

6. Felicitation of three stalwarts: on the occasion of World Social Work Day, the Department of psychiatric Social Work Felicitated *Professor G N Narayana Reddy*, retired Director, Professor of Neuro-Surgery & Physician, NIMHANS and Fellow of Indian Society of Professional Social Work for his Lifetime contribution to Gunjur Neuro-Psychiatric Camp, initiated in mid 1970s on first Sunday of every month which became a stepping stone for NMHP and District Mental Health Program.

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**Conclusion:** in the conclusion of the symposium Dr. B P Nirmala, Additional Professor of the Department has delivered the vote of thanks for the Director, Professor BN Gangadhar, all the Deans, Registrar, Professor K Sekar, Medical Superintendent of NIMHANS, Dr. Bhadrinarayan, all the invitees from various schools of Social Work from Bengaluru and Departments of NIMHANS –Prof. M P Sharma, Head, Department of Clinical Psychology, Prof. K Thennarasu, Head, Department of Bio-statistics, Dr. Sailaxmi Gandhi, Head, Department of Nursing, various guests, students and social work family for the great success of the World Social Work Day Celebration. She also thanked Dr. Shobhana Johnson, representing Karnataka Association for

Professional Social Workers. She thanked Mrs. Sindhu, the Chief of Bio-medical Engineering Department, Mental Health Education Department, Publication Department, Public Relations Officer, Horticulture Department, Photography section of NIMHANS and all the staff who directly and indirectly contributed towards the success of the program.

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Further Dr. Muralidhar also recalled the contributions of all the members of Department of Psychiatric Social Work including Prof. I A Shariff, Prof. R S Bhatti, Prof. Parthasarathi, Dr. GS Udaya Kumar, Dr. M Chandrashekar Rao and other retired faculties, staff and alumni of the Department. He also thanked Dr. N Krishna Reddy and all the chairpersons and members of organizing committee. The program convenor also thanked **R N Moorthy foundation** for sponsoring the event. He thanked the entire family of Psychiatric Social Work Department, staff and students and everyone who directly or indirectly contributed to the program for making the event a milestone in the Department by celebrating World Social Work Day. It was heartening to note that the 'we feeling' generated when the entire 150 participants stood up and recited the National Anthem at the end.

## **Introduction:**

**World Social Workers Day is celebrated every year on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017 by International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW)**, a global organisation striving for social justice, human rights and social development through the promotion of social work, best practice models and the facilitation of international cooperation. The International Federation of Social Workers supports its 116 country members by providing a global voice for the profession. IFSW has been granted Special Consultative Status by the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). In addition, IFSW is working with the World Health Organization (WHO), the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR). The Theme of the occasion is promoting community and environmental sustainability Department of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS, Bengaluru being the institutional member of IFSW and one of the largest psychiatric Social Work Department in the country with 20 faculties, 25 Psychiatric Social Workers, 25 Ph.D scholars and 45 M.Phil Trainees has taken up the initiative of celebrating the Social Workers Day 2017. Various academic, Community outreach and Virtual knowledge network activities was carried out on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

<b>Sl.No.</b>	<b>Programme</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1	Case Presentation and Discussion through Virtual Knowledge Network	10.00am-12.00pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Women De Addiction centre and Seminar Hall, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dr MV Govindaswamy centre
2	Poster Exhibition	11.00am onwards	In front of Dr MV Govindaswamy centre
3	Street Play	12.00pm-12.30pm	OPD Portico
	Break	12.30pm-1.30pm	
4	Quiz	1.30pm-2.15pm	Seminar Hall, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dr MV Govindaswamy centre
5	Symposium	2.30pm-5.00pm	Seminar Hall, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dr MV Govindaswamy centre

## **1. Case Presentation and Discussion through Virtual Knowledge Network:**

The programme started by explaining the housekeeping rules of the VKN. . A total of 35 participants across the country and from United States logged-in for the sessions. The rules were explained to the participants by Dr. Prabhat Kumar Chand. Following the housekeeping rules, the session layout was explained by Dr. Vrandra M.N. Dr. Ameer Hamza welcomed and introduced all the in-centre and online participants. HOD of Department of Psychiatric Social Work (PSW), Dr D Muralidhar addressed the participants. He congratulated the PSW department for the initiative of VKN, and added that it's a medium to relate to all Schools of Social Work across the world.

### **Case Presentation:**

Dr. Aarti Jagannathan, presented 'A case of Schizophrenia with Alcohol Dependence Syndrome: A Community Sustenance Approach'. She presented how the Community Sustenance Principles were successfully applied to the particular case. Following the case presentation, participants were given time for clarifications. Several questions were raised by the participants regarding history of the case, type of housing, role of community case worker in the case, the role of rehabilitation etc. Discussion regarding lack of adequate legal facilities in the community was brought up. Suggestions like organising groups in community for awareness creation, need for convergence between various government sectors for sustainable interventions in mental health and the need to shift the intervention approach from curative to preventive were also emphasized.



### **Didactics: Community Sustainability in Mental Health**

The case presentation was followed by a didactics on 'Community Sustainability in Mental Health'. Dr. Anish V Cherian, presented 5 community sustainable models in mental health (a) Mangalore base CCMH Model, (b) Calicut based MHAT model, (c) Shankarapura Camp model (d) NIMHANS Psycho Social Care in Disaster Management Model and (e) NIMHANS School

based life skills education model. The presentation was followed by a clarification and discussion session. Topics like challenges on implementing the community sustainable models, factors that can be replicated from each model, role of ASHA workers, limitations of each model were also discussed during the discussion.

Following the above presentation Dr. Janardhana presented on the concept of “Inclusion” related to community sustainability in Mental Health. He presented on various strategies to implement the concept of community sustainability thereby empowering the communities to sustain by themselves. He also shared his experiences in working with various NGOs, to deliver community based programmes and services. Following this session, challenges for inclusive education, replicable factors were also discussed. The session concluded by persuading social workers to ‘think out of the box’ to develop strategies to deliver community based services.

After the presentations Dr. K. Sekar addressed the participants and shared his views regarding the theme of Social work Day -2017 'Promoting Community and Environmental Sustainability'. He emphasized the need for macro level social work interventions. He also highlighted the role of social workers in developing national level policies for community development and sustainability by quoting examples of social workers like Medha Patkar and her social movement Narmada Bachao Andolan.

Dr. Ameer Hamza thanked all the participants who attended the session and the session was concluded. The participants were informed that all of them would be provided an e-certificate via email.



## 2. Poster Competition and Exhibition

Poster competition and exhibition has been organized from 11 am to 4 pm, at the pavement of NIMHANS Cross road, in front of Govindaswamy building as an outreach to public on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017 as part of World Social Work Day celebration. Major theme of the exhibition was promoting community and environmental sustainability, as declared by International Federation of Professional Social Workers. The Department of Psychiatric Social Work focused more on promoting mental health in community during World Social Work Day celebration, through poster exhibition. Participants submitted 16 posters in competition category. Another 42 posters were exhibited by members of faculty and research scholars under non-competition category. Those posters focused on history of Social Work and significant contributions in health and mental health and mental health issues such as handling **depression**, epilepsy, post disaster distress and addiction disorders. Posters also conveyed, integrated and holistic, sustainable approaches in promoting mental health in community including **preventing depression**, which is one of the leading causes of death. Some posters also focused on promoting environmental sustainability. Winners of the poster competition were awarded cash prizes in concluding ceremony, 1<sup>st</sup> Prize was Rs. 1000 and Second Prize was Rs.500. More than two thousand people who attended the Outpatient department of NIMHANS and pedestrians benefited through the exhibition.



Prof. D. Muralidhar gives away the cash prize for II MSW students from Madras School of Social Work, Runners up in Poster Competition.

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*Some take home messages given as part of the street play:*

- Mental illness is treatable
- Mental illness is due to disorder in brain functioning
- Not all mentally ill are dangerous
- Mentally ill can work like any one of us
- Mentally ill person can marry provided his/her partner is aware of the nature of the problem and treatment needs
- Mental illness is an illness not personal failure
- Early identification and treatment is very important for recovery
- Addiction should be understood as a disease rather than deviance or antisocial behaviour
- Families should be involved in identification and reporting of the problem by seeing drug addiction as a faulty coping /unhealthy practice in the person
- Positive attitude of the family can make a person feel responsible and path recovery from addiction can be reasonably un eventful
- Mental retardation is neither contagious nor entirely hereditary
- Mildly retarded are educable, moderately retarded are trainable and severely retarded need long term supervised care.



#### 4. Quiz Competition

The Quiz competition has been organized from 1.45 pm to 2.30 pm, at Seminar Hall, fourth floor, Govindaswamy Building, NIMHANS Campus for block placement trainees, MPhil trainees and PhD scholars of Social Work as part of world social work day celebration on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017. Theme of the quiz programme was promoting community and environmental sustainability. International Federation of Professional Social Workers identified this as the core theme for the world social work day. In the competition, 14 trainees and scholars participated in the event. Dr E Sinu, Assistant Professor of Psychiatric Social Work, led the quiz programme. Dr Jayakumar K, Assistant Professor of Psychiatric Social Work, was observer of the programme. The competition had single round, with 20 questions, related to theme, major focus sustainable development for community wellbeing to prevent mental health problems such as **depression and anxiety disorders**.

The theme was apt in the following year of the declaration of sustainable development goals by United Nations, which consisted of 17 goals and 69 targets. Being premier institute of mental health, NIMHANS has a major role in promoting health and wellbeing in community through sustainable approaches. Participants and evaluators appreciated the theme of the quiz. At the end of the event answers were shared to the audience to kindle the interest of scholars to update their knowledge on sustainable developmental goals and strategies. Winners of the quiz programme were awarded cash prizes in concluding ceremony, 1<sup>st</sup> Prize Rs. 1000, was shared by two participants and Second Prize Rs. 750 was shared by three participants by scoring equal points.



Participants of the Quiz programme





Prof.K.Sekar, gives away the Cash prize for Winners of the Quiz competition

## 5. Symposium:

Department of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS conducted a symposium titled “*Promoting Community & Environmental Sustainability in Mental Health*” on the occasion of celebration of World Social Work Day, 2017 held on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2017 at Seminar Hall, Dr. M. V. Govindaswamy center, NIMHANS.



The esteemed speakers for the symposium were Dr. Hemalatha K. Associate Prof, Department of Social Work, Christ University, Bangalore., Dr. Rajaram Subbian, Executive Director of Basic Needs, Bangalore and Ms. Sanghamitra Ayengar. Director, Samraksha Organization.

Dr. Hemalatha K. spoke about the effective and sustainable social work education model in India. Dr. Hemalatha opened her session with the quote from the Global agenda (2012 to 2016)- IFSW, IASSW and ICSW: “*We commit ourselves to supporting, influencing and enabling structures and systems that positively address the root causes of oppression and inequality. We commit ourselves wholeheartedly and urgently to work together, with people who use services and with others who share our objectives and aspirations, to create a more socially-just and fair world that we will be proud to leave to future generations .....a move away from the narrow ‘literate graduate’ view of Education and Sustainability, with its emphasis on content & its mission to*

*teach about change, towards an approach that opens up possibilities to emphasise personal and value based responses to the challenges that abound our world”.*



Dr. Hemalatha emphasised that social work education requires curriculum that is responsive to current and emerging issues within their context, Syllabus with scope for creative course plans- pedagogy, assessments and Include innovative field work practice which by itself is a signature social work pedagogy leading to a critically reflective field education. Further Dr. Hemalatha provided some of the important reflections on how social work education can be made more effective and responsive for students:

- 1) Broaden of our view of person-in-environment to include a more holistic view of human behaviour and inclusion
- 2) Student centered-information highway as a tool for students to explore these connections and theories.
- 3) Interdisciplinary practice and reaching out to various practitioners.
- 4) Competency based education practice.
- 5) Field placements should be developed in ***non-traditional field settings*** such as CSR, Impact consulting firms, development consulting firms, social audit, startups, agencies supporting entrepreneurship, businesses, service industry.
- 6) Encourage social work research with multiple paradigms and multiple stakeholders.



Dr. Hemalatha concluded her session by emphasising that to enhance the sustainability of our education we must promote the development, dissemination and exchange of knowledge between schools and social professionals through established and innovative channels of communication.

Dr. Rajaram delivered a session on “Expanding horizons of social work practice”. In his session, Dr. Rajaram discussed that there are various social work methods and techniques, and social work has expanded to many settings such as war and conflicts, palliative care, institutions, schools, community and so on. The social workers across the globe have been expanding the nature and the settings of their practices and testing various methods for empirical evidences. Over the decades, social work has emerged from its charity based practices to social action based practices.

Dr. Rajaram, further expressed his concern that after all this growth and expansion of social work practice, the faculties of social work are not united under one association and practicing without any governing body. Over the decades there has been tremendous growth in the schools of social work across India and many new names of professionals are coming up who have excelled in the field of social work. There seem to be trend of individual practice and growth. Dr. Rajaram insisted that to further expand the horizons of social work practice it is important that the social work professionals of various disciplines come together under one association and make the practice and research stronger and licensed.



Dr. Rajaram explained this concept of bringing unity of professionals in social work using Theme centred interactions proposed by Dr. Thomas. As per this model, to expand the horizon of social work practice it is important that individual social workers provide self disclosure, feedback and perceptiveness to come closer to each other. Share each one's experience and expertise with others so that others are strengthened. Dr. Rajaram was very thoughtful to say that "Horizons are within us ... and we need to expand our inner horizons by providing room for sharing and discussions.

Ms. Sanghamitra spoke about sustainable community development programme. Ms. Sanghamitra emphasised on the involvement of community stake holders in the development and sustenance of community based program. Ms. Sanghamitra provided Samraksha's Experience with the Community Life Competence Approach across 53 Villages in Deodurg Taluk , Raichur District, Karnataka. She reflected that through this activity the core beliefs with which they initiated the work were validated that is:

- When Communities Dream, they will act to fulfil them
- They have the strengths to work toward and realise their dreams.
- When Communities own their dreams and action, they do not stop at one or two
- Development is sustainable because it is their own agenda



Further in the session, she provided a case study wherein a village was provided with an opportunity to express their dreams on community transformation and how this lead to reaching out to the main foal of sustainable development. Ms. Sanghamitra expressed that the community



dreams/ goals may not match with our agenda however, the community self determination has a power to fulfil their dreams of community transformation.

All three sessions provided opportunity to reflect on the social work development across fields whether it is education or community. The sessions were highly appreciated by the audience of the symposium.

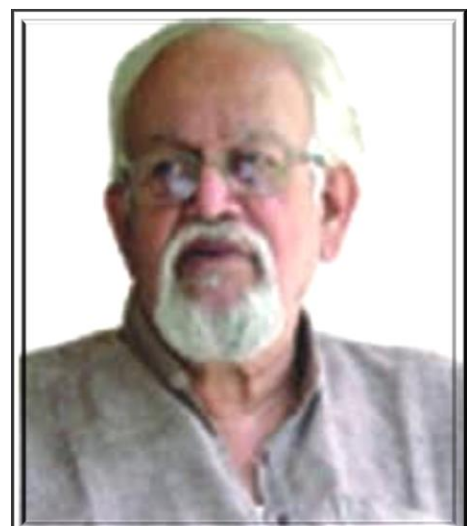
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- Dr. Narayana Reddy joined the then Mental Hospital in 1956.
- Dr. Reddy went on to head the Department of Neurosurgery,
- Became Superintendent and then Director of NIMHANS.
- During his tenure as Director, the Integrated Outpatient Department, Rehabilitation Centre, were started.
- Five new Departments were added: Neurovirology, Epidemiology, Psychopharmacology, Health Education and Human Genetics.
- Sir was the guiding force behind making extension services (satellite clinics) – Neuro Psychiatric Clinics an official program of this premier institute
- The satellite clinics as one of the eight innovations at NIMHANS during his stint at the helm of affairs; the others being the organization of out-patient services, family psychiatric services, rehabilitation services, community mental health services for rural and urban population, training of school teachers and lay volunteers, domiciliary care program and self-help group of parents.
- He received the Rajyotsava award in the field of medicine.

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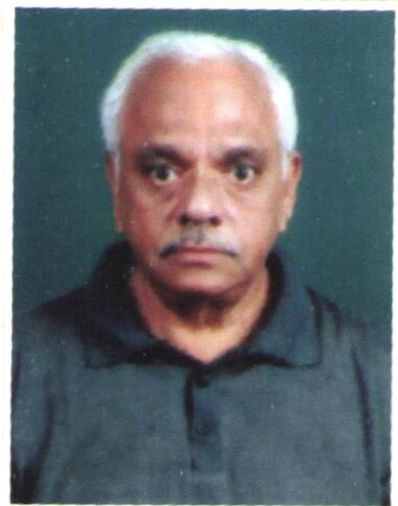


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- Prof. Shankar Pathak is a retired Professor of Social Work, Delhi University.
- He studied at Karnataka and Lucknow universities with Economics as a major subject, and also political science, sociology and social anthropology.
- He obtained the post-graduate diploma in social work at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences and M.A at the Indiana University U.S.A.
- He has widely read in social sciences and social work and uses this knowledge in all his writings.
- He has authored eight books (Seven plus 1 revised edition for NBT) and contributed articles to the Encyclopedia of Social Work in India (1966 and 1987) and to several anthologies on social work.
- He is a founder member of I.A.T.S.W, its first President of the Delhi Branch and Editor of its quarterly journal – Social Work Forum (1969-71). He was U.N.ECAFE (now ESCAP) Senior Lecturer at the Philippines School of Social Work.
- Manila and the International Association of Schools of Social Work Consultant on Family Planning, at the Faculty of Social Administration, Thammasat University, Bangkok during 1973-74.

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The program was ended with serving High tea to all the participants.

APPENDIX



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*on 21 \_ March 2017*

*at Seminar Hall (5 \_ Floor), Dr. M. V. Govindaswamy Centre  
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*Theme:*

**Promoting Community & Environmental Sustainability  
in Mental Health**

*Felicitation to:*

**Prof. G. N. Narayana Reddy**

**Prof. Shankar. H. Pathak**

**Prof. P. S. Dikshit**

**Dr. D. Muralidhar**

Professor and Head

**Prof. K. Sekar**

Registrar

## Programme

**10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon : Virtual Knowledge Network**

**12.00 noon - 02.00 p.m. : Outreach Programme**

**02.30 p.m. – 03.00 p.m. : Inauguration of Symposium**

- Invocation

- Welcome Address : Prof. A Thirumoorthy

- Overview of the Symposium : Prof. D. Muralidhar

- Presidential Address : Prof. S. K. Chaturvedi

I/C Director & Dean

(Behavioural Sciences)

NIMHANS, Bengaluru

- Special Address : Prof. K. Sekar

Registrar, NIMHANS, Bengaluru

**03.00 p.m. – 05.00 p.m. : Symposium & Felicitation**

- Sustainable Social Work

Education Models : Dr. K. Hemalatha

- Expanding Horizons of

Social Work Practice : Dr. Rajaram Subbian

- Sustainable Community

Based Programmes : Mrs. Shanghamithra Iyengar

**Vote of Thanks : Dr. B. P. Nirmala**

**05.00 p.m. onwards : High Tea**

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