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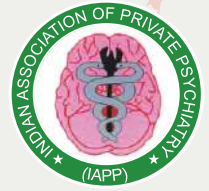
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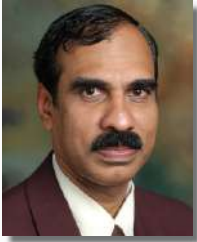
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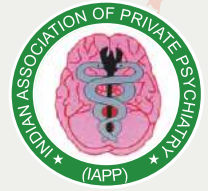
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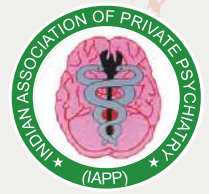
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Welcome to PSYCON 2026

Dear friends,

It gives us immense pleasure to warmly invite you all to PSYCON 2026, jointly organised by the West Bengal State Branches of the Indian Psychiatric Society and the Indian Association of Private Psychiatry, which will be held from 11th to 13th September 2026 at ITC Sonar, Kolkata.

The conference will serve as an exceptional platform for exchanging knowledge, ideas, and experiences. Our programme includes keynote addresses by leading experts and doyens in Psychiatry. This three-day academic extravaganza will feature in-depth panel discussions, poster presentations (free & award), paper presentations (free & award), and symposia covering a broad range of current focus areas in Psychiatry.

Your presence and participation would greatly enrich the discussions and deliberations by bringing valuable insights from your extensive experience and expertise in the field. We are confident that the collaborative atmosphere of the conference will foster meaningful connections and engaging peer discussions, strengthening the collective intellectual environment of our mental health care sphere and inspiring innovative solutions to the challenges it faces today.

You will find detailed registration information here. We encourage you to register at your earliest convenience to ensure your participation, as we anticipate a strong turnout from the medical community.

There will be a Mental Health Awareness programme with educational institutions, students, teachers, and parents under the guidance of eminent professionals.

We are planning to organise a standard Postgraduate Quiz, a one-of-its-kind Undergraduate Quiz, and an Art and Photography Competition (related to Psychiatry themes), which will reach young medical minds at the very beginning of their journey and inspire more students to pursue a career in Psychiatry. We also plan to hold a Creative Writing Competition; the details will be conveyed later. In addition, a plan is in place to organise other leisure activities for all concerned.

We eagerly look forward to welcoming you to PSYCON 2026 and to your participation in what promises to be an enlightening and productive event.

I appreciate your dedication to advancing mental health care and your consideration of our invitation.



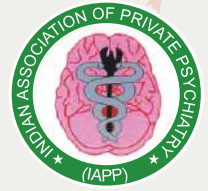
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Award Paper Submission Guidelines

From the year 2017, a cash award has been instituted in memory of Late **Dr K. L. Narayanan** for the best paper presented at PSYCON by Postgraduate and MPhil students of Psychiatry and allied fields, as well as recent postgraduates in Psychiatry (passed DPM or MD not before 2024). From the year 2023, the award money has been increased to Rs. 7000/-.

Award Paper Submission Guidelines:

Full papers (soft copy only; hard copy is not required), written in English and prepared in the format prescribed for Original Research Papers under "Instructions to Authors" of the Indian Journal of Psychiatry [<https://journals.lww.com/indianjpsychiatry/Pages/instructionsforauthors.aspx>], should be emailed to **psycon2026@gmail.com** with the subject line: **SUBMISSION OF AWARD PAPER – TITLE** by **23rd July, 2026**, to be eligible for the award.

The submission should include:

- Soft copy of the full paper.
- IPS/IAPP membership certificate (or screenshot of membership application).
- IPS/IAPP WBSB membership payment screenshot.

The presenter must not include their name or the institution's name in the main WORD/PDF file. The name must be mentioned in the body of the e-mail separately.

The members of the Award Committee will judge the papers. The five best papers will be selected for the Award and will be required to be presented in PowerPoint format on **12th September 2026** (as per schedule) at the venue of PSYCON 2026. The detailed schedule will be communicated later. Papers not selected for the Award category may be presented as Free Papers.

Please note the following guidelines for Award Paper Presentation:

- The presenter must make a PowerPoint presentation on 12th September, 2026, at the venue of PSYCON 2026.
- The presentation time will be 7 minutes, followed by 3 minutes for Q&A.
- Please try to limit the presentation to within 15 slides.
- The presentation should follow the IMRaD format (Introduction, Aims & Objectives, Methodology, Results, and Discussion).
- The paper should not have been published elsewhere in digital or printed form previously.
- In case of any ethical concern, plagiarism, or duplicate/redundant publication, the decision of the judges will be final.
- Registration for PSYCON 2026 is mandatory for Award Paper submission.

Award Poster Submission Guidelines

From the year 2023, a cash award of Rs. 5000/- has been instituted in memory of Late **Dr P. P. Roy** for the best poster presented at PSYCON by Postgraduate and MPhil students of Psychiatry and allied fields, as well as recent postgraduates in Psychiatry (passed DPM or MD not before 2024).

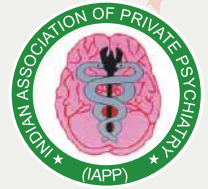
Award Poster Guidelines:

There will be an Award Poster Section. Please email a soft copy of the poster to **psycon2026@gmail.com** with the subject line: **SUBMISSION OF AWARD POSTER – TITLE** by **23rd July, 2026**, to be eligible for the award.

The submission should include:

- Soft copy of the poster IPPT format, landscape/portrait format, maximum 3 slides].
- IPS/IAPP Membership Certificate (or screenshot of membership application).
- IPS/IAPP WBSB Membership Payment screenshot.

The presenter must not include their name or the institution's name in the main PPT file. The name must be mentioned in the body of the e-mail separately.



The Award Committee members will judge the posters. The five best posters will be selected for the Award Poster category. Posters not selected for the Award category may be presented as Free Posters. Posters in the above-mentioned size are to be displayed on **12th September, 2026**, at the venue of PSYCON 2026 (schedule will be communicated later).

Please note the following guidelines for Award Poster Presentation:

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3. The poster presentation should follow the IMRaD format (Introduction, Aims & Objectives, Methodology, Results, and Discussion) when presenting a study, or the Background, Case, and Discussion format when presenting a particular case.
4. The background of the poster should ideally be of a lighter shade, with text in darker shades.
5. Images and/or tables may be added to the poster, but they should be clearly readable.
6. The presenter must remain present in front of their poster at the scheduled time to respond to queries from the judges.
7. The poster should not have been published elsewhere in digital or printed form previously.
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9. Registration for PSYCON 2026 is mandatory for Award Poster submission.

The paper/poster will become the property of the IPS West Bengal State Branch and may be published in the Bengal Journal of Psychiatry of IPS WBSB, with editorial corrections if required.

Free Paper Submission Guidelines

A soft copy of a **300-word abstract** (which should include Title, Names of Authors, Introduction, Aims & Objectives, Methodology, Results, and Conclusion) for the Free Paper should be emailed to psycon2026@gmail.com with the subject line: **SUBMISSION OF FREE PAPER – TITLE** by **23rd July, 2026**.

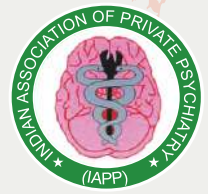
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Free Poster Submission Guidelines

A soft copy of a **200-word brief abstract encompassing the title, background and discussion** of the Free Poster should be emailed to **psycon2026@gmail.com** with the subject line: **SUBMISSION OF FREE POSTER – TITLE** by **23rd July, 2026**.

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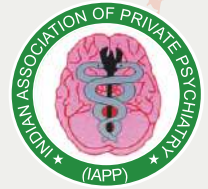
The poster(s) are to be displayed at the PSYCON 2026 venue on 13th September, 2026 (time will be communicated later).

Please note the following guidelines for Free Poster Presentation:

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Participation	Upto 15.06.2026	Upto 15.07.2026	From 16.07.2026 till spot
Delegate	₹8000/-	₹9000/-	₹10000/-
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1. Registration is mandatory for all participants.
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3. Post Graduate and MPhil students must produce the certificate issued from their respective departmental head during registration. Students are also advised to carry an identity card issued by their institution.
4. Please register early to help us serve you better. Conference kit may not be available for delegates registering on-sopt.
5. CME Credit Point Certificate can not be assured for participants registering after 15.07.2026.

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*Declaration for member above 65 years: I hereby declare that I am a member of Indian Psychiatric Society and have attained the age of 65 years. I am attaching as proof of my age.

Signature



Kolkata. The City of Joy. The City of Wonder. The City that celebrates its cultural diversity through myriad festivals. The City where you will be greeted with a smiling face at every corner. The City that is built on Adda, Cha and Culture. The City where Football enjoys a fan following as passionate as Cricket. The City shaped by the memories of its past and sustained by the hopes of its immortality. The City that trudges along new paths into an unknown future.

“আমার শহর নয়কো তেমন বুড়ো;
অতীত কালের অস্থি মুদ্রা চেতন বিহার কিছু
পাবে না তার কোথাও মাটি খুঁড়ে।
হঠাৎ কখন নদীর ধারে বেগপারীদের নায়ে
আমার শহর নেমেছিলো কাদামাথা পায়ের”

Premendra Mitra describes the city as ever young, where you will not find hidden treasures of the past. Instead, Kolkata was born from the trading ambitions of the English East India company who consolidated erstwhile villages of Kalikata, Gobindapur and Sutanuti into a settlement in the late 1700s. Today you can still find a metro station, Shobhabazar Sutanuti named after the original hamlet.

Tracing the History of Kolkata from its earliest roots is a very long story. Rather, it is wonderful to see what the city has evolved into. Once a humble settlement along the Hooghly, today it is a bustling metropolis of nearly 5 million people. It has spread like a flourishing tree into the surrounding districts, with a huge metropolitan area today. The City Centre, developed during the British era, is a masterpiece of colonial architecture. Nearby lie the East Calcutta Wetlands, a haven for birds and the Lungs of the City.

The city witnessed the social, cultural and political movement in the nineteenth century called The Bengal Renaissance which was spearheaded by luminaries such as Raja Rammohan Roy, Ishwarchandra Vidyasagar, Derozio, Ramkrishna Paramhansa, Swami Vivekananda, Michael Madhusudan Dutta, Girishchandra Ghosh, Surendranath Banerjee and culminated in the first Nobel laureate of Asia Rabindranath Tagore. Over the ages Kolkata has produced several Nobel laureates like Sir Ronal Ross, Sir C. V. Raman, Mother Teresa, Amartya Sen and Abhijit Binayak Banerjee. Political visionaries like Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das and Subhashchandra Bose showed new directions in India's independence struggle.

Kolkata is known for its artistic, literary and scientific contributions and hosts some of the most magnificent heritage buildings like the Victoria Memorial, Indian Museum, National Library and Birla Planetarium. Great minds have been connected to this city in countless ways. From the beautiful poems of Tagore, the Films of Satyajit Ray to the sacrifices of the freedom movement, this city has witnessed it all. Its scientific legacy is equally distinguished, with names such as Acharya Jagadish Chandra Bose, PC Roy, CV Raman and Satyen Bose.

The City remains a vibrant symbol of religious harmony. Whether at the Jewish Synagogue, Dakshinewshar Temple, Nakhoda Masjid or St. Johns Church, one finds people of all ages coming together to celebrate the city's shared heritage.

When it comes to festivals, perhaps no city can rival Kolkata, often described as “Baro Mashe Tero Parbon” (13 festivals in 12 months). Foremost among them is the UNESCO recognized Durga Puja, when the entire city is bathed in the unifying light of the mother goddess. Another cherished legacy of Kolkata is its culinary delights like Rosogolla and Mishti Doi.

Kolkata is a city with a glorious past, a warm and joyful present and a future filled with immense promise and prosperity.



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