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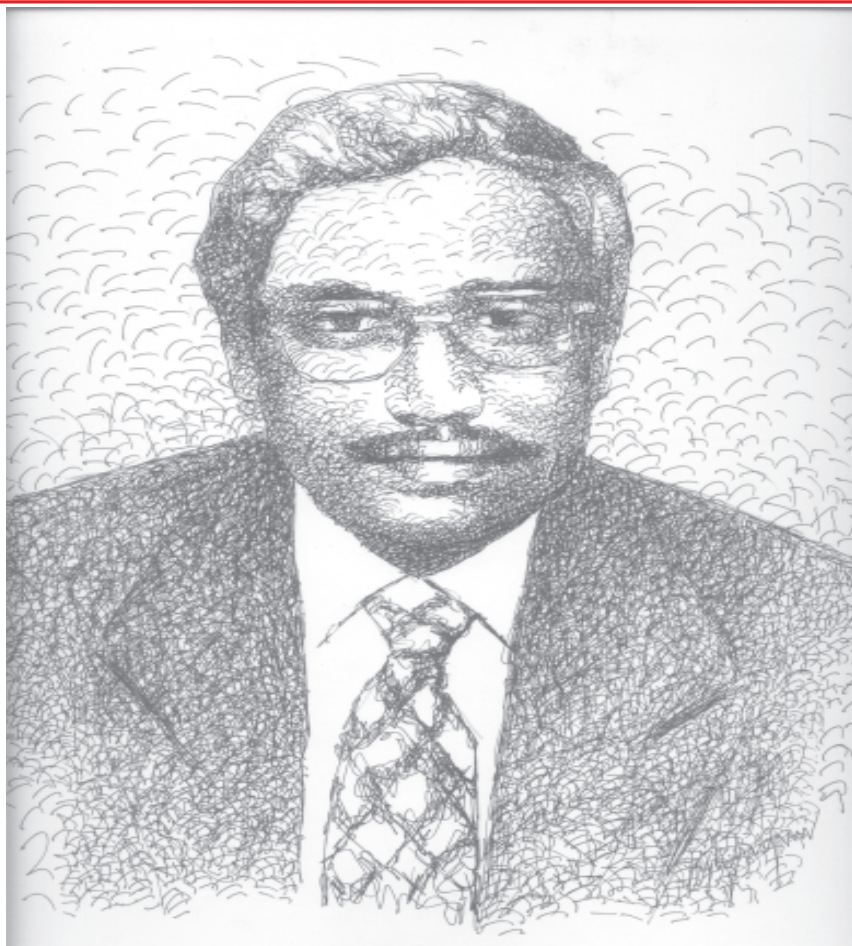
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ISPA

32nd International Conference
will be held on
21 - 24 July 2010 at Dublin, Ireland



Lifetime Achievement Award to Prof. A. Balasubramanian

The Consortium of Educational Communications, New Delhi (CEC) instituted a lifetime achievement award for educational communication, which has been named as **Vikram Sarabhai Award on Educational Communication**. This **Lifetime Achievement Award** is given to Prof. A. Balasubramanian, Director of

Culture and Cultural Relations, Pondicherry University which contain a citation, a trophy, a shawl and cash prize of Rs. 1. 00 lakh.

Dr. A. Balasubramanian was born on 15th April 1957 in Alagu-Natchiarapuram, Tirunelveli district of Tamil Nadu State of India. He received his early

education in Ramanathapuram district of Tamil Nadu. He completed his bachelor degree in Science from Madurai Kamaraj University in 1978 and completed his masters in Geology from Annamalai University in 1980. He was awarded Ph.D. in Geology with specialization in Hydrology from university of Mysore, Karnataka in 1989. He completed postdoctoral research on simulation from James Cook University of North Queens Land, Australia in 1991- 92 as young scientist fellow of DST.

He joined V.O.C. College, Tuticorin, Madurai Kamaraj University in the year 1981 as Asst. Professor in Geology and continued for the same position till 1994. He became Professor in the University of Mysore in 1994 and continued at the same position till 2004. During this period Prof. A. Balasubramanian was also holding charges of special officer Planning, Professor and Director CIST. He became Director EM2RC Mysore University of UGC-CEC in 2004 and continued till he joined the present assignment at Pondicherry University. Prof. A. Balasubramanian is accomplished academic with professional experience in certain areas of ICT and electronic media including educational technology.

He has directed TV documentaries on various themes pertaining to culture, heritage, cultural learning, innovation, enrichment and knowledge skills and human development. He is a dedicated teacher and institutional builder with proven records of innovative practices in capacity building ventures and evolving competencies. He is active researcher in modern areas of science and



technology with handsome publications. He promoted culture and cultural relations through media and mass communication channels. Prof. A. Balasubramanian has been actively involved as adviser to various academic bodies and committees in India. He has worked as consultant to international agencies of learning and research including UNESCO.

Prof. A. Balasubramanian has 27 years of teaching experience in UG and PG departments including research in various academic institutions. Prof. A. Balasubramanian has been awarded several medals and prizes for his academic pursuits in Geology and has been given state level medal in painting competition by Annamalai University. Recently, he was awarded Praja Ratna award in 2002 by Media Academy of Karnataka. Apart from his academic pursuits in Geology Prof. A. Balasubramanian has also produced educational documentaries for Vyas Higher Education Channel telecast for electronic media & environmental issues.

In recognition to his contributions and services rendered in the field of Science and Educational Communication, the CEC presented this prestigious award citation to him.

He is a man of dynamic action and having clear vision in developing the Pondicherry University to a greater heights so as to reach the world class standard. His vision and mission will certainly help the academic community to lead a better life. The Governing Council of PPA wish him good luck for his future endeavours.

Awards Instituted in the IAAP

NITTR - IAAP Award: A certificate and cash award will be given every year for the best research work in M.Phil/Ph.D or Project funded by any funding agencies.

IAAP - PPA Best Psychologist Award: A cash award of Rs. 5000/- will be given every year at the annual conference of the Pondicherry Psychology Association for the best psychologist, who has contributed to the field of applied psychology and related areas.

Dr. P. Deivasenapathy IAAP - Young Scientist Award: A certificate and cash award will be given every year with the IAAP specific guidelines.

Prof. Anima Sen Award: A certificate and cash award will be given every year for the best article published in the *Journal of the Indian Academy of Applied Psychology*.

Prof. Mrs. Manju Thakur Memorial Award: A certificate and cash award will be given every year for the distinguished innovative work in research test construction and book publication.

Prof. Dipak Bhat Award: A certificate and cash award will be given every year for the best paper presentation in the IAAP conference.

Proceedings of the 11th National Conference on School Psychology

10 - 11 January, 2009



Justice David Annousamy, Former Judge, High Court of Madras distributed Best psychologist Award to Prof. N.K. Sharma, IIT Kanpur, Best Educationist award to prof. Upadhyay, NCERT, Ned Delhi and Best Teacher Award to Shri. Aribmiyan, Puducherry

The Pondicherry Psychology Association, Puducherry, in collaboration with Indian Academy of Applied Psychology, Madras Psychology Society, Chennai and Paaventhar Teacher Training Institute, Puducherry jointly organised 11th National Conference on School Psychology on 10th and 11th January, 2009 at Hotel Ram International, Puducherry. The term *school psychology* is used in a general form to refer to professionals prepared in psychology and education and who are recognized as specialists in the provision of psychological services to children and youth within the contexts of schools, families, and other settings that impact their growth and development. As such, the term also refers to and is meant to include educational psychologists and others who display qualities this document associates with school psychology (ISPA). The major objectives were:

- Developing new initiative to introduce school psychology in India
- Exposition of various aspects of school psychology
- Exposition of existing practice of school psychology in India
- Exploring the possibilities of designing new curriculum for school psychology.
- Developing e-content for school psychology.
- Developing e-contents for applied psychological experiments and testing.

To achieve these objectives, two plenary sessions and six concurrent technical sessions were arranged.

Inauguration

Justice David Annousamy, Former Judge, High Court of Madras inaugurated the conference and distributed the awards. In his address he emphasized the role of teachers and psychologists in developing the school psychology as a prominent discipline so as to cater to the needs of the school education. Dr. Panch. Ramalingam, Secretary, Pondicherry Psychology Association presented the scope and objectives of the Conference. Presidential address was given by Prof. B. Mukhopadhyay, Prof and Head, Department of Educational Management and Applied Psychology, NITTR, Chennai. Prof. G.P. Thakur, Former President, Indian Academy of Applied Psychology, New Delhi delivered keynote address. In his address he said psychologists are playing a key role in shaping the younger generation by safe guarding the traditional value system of the country. Prof. S. Karunanidhi, Prof. and Head, Dept. of Psychology, Madras University released the souvenir and felicitated. Yogacharini Meenakshi Devi Bhavanani, Anandha Ashram, Puducherry felicitated. Dr. V. Muthu, Chairman, Paventhar Teacher Training Institute, Puducherry proposed vote of thanks.

The following awards for 2008 have been distributed to the awardees: IAAP-PPA Best Psychologist Award to Prof. Narendra K Sharma, IIT Kanpur, IAAP-PPA Best Educationist Award to Dr. G.C. Upadhyay, NCERT, New Delhi, Best Educationist Award to Shri. M. Neethipathi Rajan, Arcot, Vellore district, Prof. A. Gnanam Best Teacher Award to Shri. Mohmed Aribmiyan, Retired Chief Educational Officer, Puducherry, the Best Teacher Award to

Shri. K.V. Jayajothi, Principal Kendriya Vidyalaya, Puducherry, Psychometric Educational Services Award to Dr. Vivek Bhargava, Agra, Best Book Awards to Dr. M.V.R. Raju, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam and Dr. Shah Alam, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.

Proceedings

In the **Plenary Session- I** on Developing School Psychology in India, was chaired by Prof. Ratna Natarajan, Thiruppathur and Prof. D. Brahadeeswaran, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Chennai presented the theme address. In the Special Session on First Psychology Laboratory – A visual Experience was chaired by Prof. B. Viswanatham, Former Dean, Faculty of Education, Former Prof and Head, Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar chaired and Mr. T. Arun, Chemnitz University of Technology, Germany presented theme address.

Technical Session I on Developing New Initiatives to Introduce School Psychology in India was chaired by Prof. Narendra K. Sharma, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, Kanpur and Co-Chaired by Shri. B. Dhandapani, Senthil College of Education, Puducherry and Prof. Kiran Devendra, National Council for Educational Research and Training, New Delhi presented a theme address.

Technical Session II: Prospects of School Psychology in India chaired Prof. G.C. Upadhyay, National Council for Educational Research and Training, New Delhi and Co-Chaired by Dr. Shah Alam, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh Presentation by Dr. S. Renukadevi, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Chennai

Technical Session III: Existing Practices of School Psychology in India chaired by Shri. K.V. Jayajothi, Principal, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Puducherry, Co-Chaired Dr. R. Rajendran, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Chennai, Papers presented by Prof. S. Karunanidhi, Madras University, Chennai Technical

Session IV: Possibilities of designing new curriculum for school psychology, Chaired by Dr. Ushasree, Prof and Head, Dept of Psychology, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati. Presentation by Dr. G. Kulanthaivel, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Chennai

Plenary Session II: Indian Approaches in School Psychology Chaired by Dr. Sumitra Basu, Kolkata Co-Chaired by Dr. Gyanchandra, New Delhi, Theme Presentation by Dr. Anandha Balayogi Bhavanani, Chairman, Yoganjali Natiyalayam, Puducherry

Technical Session V: Developing e-content for School Psychology Chair Prof. M.V.R. Raju, Andhra University, Visakapatnam, Co-Chair Dr. P. Viswanathan, Principal Achariya College of Education, Puducherry, Presentation Dr. P. Sivakumar, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Chennai. Technical Session VI: Psychological Experiments and Testing in School Psychology Chair Prof. Anjali Ghosh, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, Co-Chair:

Valedictory Session

Presidential Address delivered by Prof. B. Mukhopadhyay, President, Pondicherry Psychology Association, Report of the Conference presented by Dr. Panch. Ramalingam, Secretary, Pondicherry Psychology Association, Distribution of Best Paper Awards and Best Poster Awards by Shri. K. Lakshminarayanan, MLA, Former Minister for Education, Puducherry, Valedictory Address delivered by Prof. G.P. Thakur, Former President, Indian Academy of Applied Psychology, New Delhi. It is hoped that the conference deliberations should bring the depth and relevance of school psychology into focus and find ways and means to introduce the same in India.





International School Psychology Association (ISPA)

In the early 1970s a group of school psychologists from different parts of the world, under the leadership of the late Calvin D. Catterall, came together to form an International School Psychology Committee in order to promote worldwide cooperation amongst school and educational psychologists.

The number of psychologists committed to this aim grew steadily until in 1982 the International School Psychology Association was founded with Anders Poulsen as its first President. Since that time, membership of ISPA has spread to all corners of the earth and the Association has become recognized by the United Nations as an important Non-Governmental Organization speaking on behalf of children and young people and their families.

The major aims of this Association are to:

- promote the use of sound psychological principles within the context of education all over the world;
- promote communication between professionals who are committed to the improvement of the mental health of children in the world's schools;
- encourage the use of School Psychologists in countries where they are not currently being used;
- promote the psychological rights of all children all over the world; and initiate and promote cooperation

with other organizations working for purposes similar to those of ISPA in order to help children and families.

- The ISPA constitution also condemns any discrimination of racial, religious, sexual nature and recommends its members to conduct their professional life in conformity with this non-discriminatory principle.

ISPA is an NGO in special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, and an NGO represented in UNESCO.

The ISPA Colloquium 2010 will be held in Dublin, Ireland from July 21 to 24, 2010.

ISPA Membership

Colleagues who are not members of ISPA are welcome to apply for membership by writing to:

International School Psychology Association (ISPA)

Att.: **Robert D. Clark, PhD**,
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For information about ISPA and membership, please see
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Awards Instituted in the

Pondicherry Psychology Association

IAAP- PPA Best Psychologist Award: Cash Award of Rs.5000/- with citation will be given every year for the outstanding Psychologist of the year. This award has been instituted by Indian Academy of Applied Psychology, Chennai.

IAAP-PPA Best Educationist Award: Cash Award of Rs.5000/- with citation will be given every year with the PPA specific guidelines. This award has been instituted by the Pondicherry Psychology Association, Puducherry.

Psychometric Educational Services Award: A certificate and cash award of Rs.1000 will be given to a best Human Development Resource Personnel every year. This award has been instituted by GCC Trust, Veppur, Vellore District, Tamil Nadu.

Prof. A. Gnanam Best Teacher Award: A certificate and a cash award of Rs.1000/- will be given every year for the outstanding teacher of the year. This award has been instituted by Dr. Panch. Ramalingam, Founder President, Pondicherry Psychology Association, Puducherry

Best Teacher Award: A certificate will be given every year for the best teacher of the year. This award has been instituted by Prof. Mamota Das, Former Dean, Faculty of Education and Former Professor and Head, Department of Education, Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar.

Best Paper Award: Prof. B. Viswanathan, Dean (Retd.), Faculty of Education and Prof. and Head, Dept. of Psychology, Annamalai University has instituted an award carrying a certificate and a cash award of Rs. 1,000/- for the best paper presented during the conference of the year.

Best Book Award: Prof. B. Viswanathan, Dean (Retd.), Faculty of Education and Prof. and Head, Dept. of Psychology, Annamalai University has instituted an award carrying a certificate and a cash award of Rs.1000/- for best book of the year related to psychology.

Best Poster Award: Prof. R. Seshadri Naidu, Director, UGC-Academic Staff College, Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati has instituted an award carrying a certificate and a cash award of Rs.500/ each for two best posters of the year.

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12th National Conference on Developing School Psychology in India 9 - 10 January, 2010 at Puducherry



Introduction

The term *school psychology* is used in a general form to refer to professionals prepared in psychology and education and who are recognized as specialists in the provision of psychological services to children and youth within the contexts of schools, families, and other settings that impact their growth and development. As such, the term also refers to and is meant to include educational psychologists and others who display qualities this document associates with school psychology (ISPA).

The Pondicherry Psychology Association, Puducherry, in collaboration with Indian Academy of Applied Psychology, Madras Psychology Society, Chennai and Acharya College of Education, Puducherry are jointly organising 12th National Conference on Developing School Psychology in India on 9th and 10th January, 2010 at Puducherry.

We hope that this conference will become a turning point in the development of a new approach to the school education, which will carry in it the very best of what modern teacher education and psychological approaches have to offer. We try to explore innovative ideas and exchange the possibilities of introducing school psychology in the present scenario.

Objectives

- Developing new initiatives to introduce school psychology in India
- Exposition of various aspects of training in school psychology
- Exposition of existing practice of school psychology in India
- Exploring the possibilities of designing new curriculum for school psychology.
- Developing e-contents for the teachers of school psychology.

To achieve the objectives described above, there will be two plenary sessions and six concurrent technical sessions. Each of these sessions will be devoted to one of the main objectives. The plenary sessions will have invited speakers only.

The keynote addresses will examine the central theme of the conference giving answers to the following questions:

- i. How can we popularise school psychology in India?
- ii. What can school psychology do to make life better for all children?
- iii. How can we work with parents, teachers and institutions to develop school psychology?

Keynote Speakers:

Prof. B. Mukhopadhyay, Professor and Head, Department of Educational Management and Applied Psychology, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research (NITTTR), Chennai.

He is the President of Pondicherry Psychology Association, Puducherry, Secretary, Indian Academy of Applied Psychology, Chennai. His contribution to school psychology is pioneering in India. He is associated with International School Psychology Association and having vision to promote school psychology in India.



Prof. Mamota Das, Professor and Coordinator of School of Education, Pondicherry University. She was Professor and Head, Department of Education, and Dean, Faculty of Education, Annamalai University. She was former Director, UGC-Academic Staff College, Pondicherry University. She is committed teacher educator and educational psychologist who contributed for school psychology in many ways.



Prof. G. Venkatesh Kumar, Professor of Psychology, Mysore University, Mysore. He is the Director, UGC-Academic Staff College, Mysore University, Mysore. He is educational counsellor and trainer. His recent research and publications are on researching teachers' experience, professional development and teaching.



Submission of papers:

Delegates are requested to submit their papers following APA style (refer website: www.jiaap.org for writing a research paper) on any of the listed topics. To ensure a consistent high quality of all the presentations, participants will be requested to submit the full text well in advance and not later than **15th November, 2009**. Abstract and paper should be sent by email (panchramalingam@gmail.com) or hard copy with CD in MS-Word format only. All the selected papers will be published in the conference proceedings and released during the inaugural session of the conference.

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From the Editor's Desk...

We deem it a great privilege to bring out this newsletter 'Indian Psychologist' on behalf of the Pondicherry Psychology Association. The prime aim is to propagate the activities of the association such as conferences, training programmes, publication of books, etc.

We welcome you as a friendly advisor to give suggestions if any to improve the newsletter so as to reach across the nation.

Ever Yours

Dr. Panch. Ramalingam, Editor.

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