

ALL INDIA ORIENTAL CONFERENCE

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 Near Bahadrabad, Haridwar – 249405
on 29th, 30th & 31st October 2026

BULLETIN NO. 1

The All India Oriental Conference served as the national forum of scholars interested in Orientology for the last ten decades. It will hold its 52nd session at Haridwar under the auspices of University of Patanjali, on the 29th, 30th & 31st October 2026.

The General President of the Conference is **Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi**, Vice-Chancellor, Central Sanskrit University, New Delhi. **Prof. Arun Rajan Mishra**, Prof. & formerly Head, Department of Sanskrit, Pali and Prakrit, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, W.B. has been elected as Vice-President.

The following have been elected Sectional Presidents:

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The success of a session of the All-India Oriental Conference depends entirely upon the active participation of Universities, learned societies and scholars interested in the various subjects coming under the purview of the Conference. Universities and learned societies are, therefore, requested to depute delegates to the session. All persons interested in Oriental learning and researches are requested to enroll themselves as members of the conference by filling in the accompanying membership form.

(1) Please go through the detailed notification and fill the membership form attached, or the one available on our website www.aiocpune.in.

(2) Application fee payment can be done online only.

(3) The last date of registration of membership is 31st August 2026.

(4) THERE WILL BE NO ON-THE-SPOT REGISTRATION.

Abstract and Delegates fees should be sent to Local Secretary as per the following information:

Scholars are requested to submit their abstract (Soft, PDF Format as well as Hard copy) in duplicate [one copy to the Local Secretary and one to the Sectional President], for any of the Sections of the Session. The papers should be of the nature of ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTION to the subject. The Abstracts shall be 300 words. Screening of abstracts of the papers will be strictly maintained.

Important Dates

Conference Dates	29th, 30th & 31st October 2026
Last Date for online registration at Pune Head Office	31st July 2026
Last Date for Receiving Abstract with full paper	31 st August 2026
Last Date to pay Delegation fees (without late fee)	31 st August 2026
Last Date to pay Delegation fees (with late fee)	15 th September 2026

Delegation Charges for the session exclusive of accommodation fee

	Without late fee	With Late Fee
Student	Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 2000/-
Faculty members	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 3000/-
Others	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 3500/-

Delegate Fee should be sent to the Local Secretary. Accommodation charges will be additional based on the preferred type of accommodation, subject to availability. This will be communicated in the next bulletin.

Following prizes will be given to the best papers presented by young scholars in the respective sections:

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| 1. Dr. V. G. Rahurkar Prize - | Vedic Studies |
| 2. Smt. Sushila Devi Mishra Prize - | Vedic Studies |
| 3. Dr. V. G. Rahurkar Prize - | Vedanta-Philosophy and Religion |
| 4. Dr. V. Raghavan Prize - | Classical Sanskrit |
| 5. Dr. Jaymant Mishra Prize - | Classical Sanskrit |
| 6. Muni Punyavijayji Prize - | Prakrit and Jainism |
| 7. D. K. Jain O.R. Institute Prize - | Prakrit and Jainism |
| 8. Mrs. Annapurna and Dr. R.K. Sharma Prize - | Modern Sanskrit |
| 9. Markatavalli Sundaresvara Sambhavana Prize - | Pandit Parishad |
| 10. Sragdhara Nandi Prize – | Alamkarashastra |
| 11. Radhadevi Shriniwas Tiwari Prize - | History |
| 12. Prof. Jagdish Sahai Kulshreshtha Prize - | Technical Science & Fine Arts |
| 13. Smt. Kamlesh Kumari Kulshreshtha Prize - | Classical Sanskrit |
| 14. Shri Jyotsnamoy Chatterjee Prize - | Pali & Buddhism including Tibetology |
| 15. Pandit Ganeshwar Dash Prize - | Epics and Puranas |
| 16. Dr. Uma Deshpande Prize - | Modern Sanskrit |
| 17. Manika Dhawal Prize - | Technical Science & Fine Arts |
| 18. Dr. P. D. Agnihotri Prize - | Vedic Section |
| 19. Prof. Sushma Kulshreshtha Prize - | Indian Linguistics |
| 20. Dr. R. N. Aralikatti Prize - | Modern Sanskrit |
| 21. Prof. Abha Kulshreshtha “Najma” Prize - | Arabic, Persian & Iranian |
| 22. Padmashree Prof. Sumati Mutatkar Prize - | Technical Science and Fine Arts |
| 23. Dr. Krishna Joo Rajdan Prize | Bhakti (Religion) |
| 24. Prof. (Dr.) Sureshachandra G. Kantawala Prize - | Epics and Puranas |
| 25. Dr. Satish Chandra Jha Prize | Classical Sanskrit |
| 26. Dharmendra Mani Prize - | Modern Sanskrit |
| 27. Prof. Rama Ranjan Mukherjee Prize | Poetics and Aesthetics |
| 28. Prof. Haridasa Siddhanta Vagisa Prize - | Modern Sanskrit |
| 29. Prof. G. B. Palsule Prize - | Grammar and Linguistics |

The paper should be submitted in soft PDF format as well as hard copy for any of the above prizes, sent directly to the Sectional President of the respective section.

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