

# Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers KAPS

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## V Kerala Social Work Congress

KSWC - 2020

International Conference

**18,19,20 DECEMBER 2020**

**(ONLINE)**



# KAPS - KSWC 2020

## About KAPS and KSWC

The Kerala Social Work Practitioners Congress is an initiative of Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers (KAPS). KSWC offers a platform for all Social Workers and students across India for sharing of knowledge through presentations and discussions.

KAPS, formed in the year 2012, has notable achievements in the past seven years. KAPS has chapters in all the districts of the state and undertaken many initiatives for the development of the profession and professionals.

KAPS has Skills Academy, Research and Publications Wing, Human Rights and Anti-Human Trafficking Wing, Advocacy Wing for taking up issues and a wing for initiating benevolent activities. The first KSWC was held at BCM College, Kottayam in the year 2016. The meeting was graced by the presence of eminent personalities like Vice President of IFSW, Secretary General, INPSWA-India (Network of Professional Social Work Associations) and President, INPSWA. The second and third meetings were at Palakkad in 2017, at Loyola College, Trivandrum in 2018 and at Marian College, Kuttikkanam in 2019 respectively. The veterans in social work fields and government officials have participated in these meetings. The Fifth Kerala Social Work Congress 2020 and International Conference will be held on 18,19,20 Dec 2020 online.

Social Work profession is undergoing major transformation in all levels from local to global. The deliberations in the Congress and International Conference intend to focus the competency of social work practice by learning from others through its formal and informal sessions.

The slogan of KAPS is 'Together we grow'. KSWC is a wonderful opportunity for Social Workers to gather together under the banner of a professional association with this slogan.



The main **objectives** of KSWC :

1. Provide a platform to social work professionals across the country and from other countries to gather, discuss and deliberate on the issues related to social justice, social work education, research, practice and the problems faced by social work professionals
2. Discuss various strategies for professional growth.
3. Share and exchange experiences among social workers researchers and development practitioners in different areas for strengthening the social work profession.
4. Bring the fraternity of professional social workers together to share, discuss and deliberate upon the issues related to the social work education, practice and research.
5. Understand the strength of our profession, areas where problems are faced and share the practice knowledge so that it will be useful for other practitioners.



## ***Theme of KSWC 2020***

### **Sub themes**

## **‘Ubuntu-Strengthening Social Solidarity and Global Connectedness’**

- Social Work services in Indian Context
- Social Work for improving Human Relations & Social Solidarity
- Social Work services during COVID 19
- Social Work for Solving Social Problems
- Social Work for addressing Human Rights Issues
- Online learning in Social Work: Prospects and Challenges
- Field Practicum during COVID pandemic
- Social Work services for Social Change
- Professional Associations for Profession’ Development
- Social Work services for Community health



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The global agenda of Social work during 2020-30 was based on 'Importance of Human Relationship'.

International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) and the co-partners have set the global agenda framework for Social Work and Social development for the year 2020-30 as 'Co-building Inclusive Social Transformation'. The theme selected for the year 2020-22 based on the global agenda is 'Ubuntu-Strengthening Social Solidarity and Global Connectedness'

Guided by ethical principles, social workers and other social development practitioners have the responsibility to connect people, communities and systems to developing sustainable communities and inclusive social transformation.

**The meaning of Ubuntu has been generally interpreted as 'I am because we are'.** It's a word, concept and philosophy that resonates with the social work and social development perspectives of the interconnectedness of all peoples and their environments. Ubuntu- stands for social solidarity between all people and their environment, facilitating universal rights, opportunities, freedom and sustainable well being for all people across the world. Ubuntu also highlights indigenous knowledge and wisdom. . In social work, unlike most of the other human service professions, relationship is much beyond just a 'professional relationship and it is more than a 'means' for practice. In social work, relationship is our major tool of practice and many a time, an end in itself. The philosophy of Ubuntu was propogated by Mr. Nelson Mandela.

# Importance of United Efforts

**'Ubuntu-  
Strengthening Social  
Solidarity  
and  
Global Connectedness'**



## **Important Activities in KSWC 2020**

Input sessions - Conference - Paper Presentations - Merit Day (Rank holders meeting) Best practice Presentations - Best presentation Award - Best dissertation presentation

### **Call for Papers on Social Work Practice:**

Papers are invited for the International conference. Papers can be based on conceptual, research or practice areas related to different fields of social work. We invite abstract to our email “kapsannualcongress@gmail.com”. The abstract should not exceed 200 words and it should include the author’s name, designation, affiliating institution/organization, mailing address, contact no., e- mail ID, title of the abstract and text. The social workers, who are not practicing with any organization also can send abstracts. The abstract and full paper should be in English and typed in *MS-Word (using Times New Roman font only)*. The abstracts will be accepted till 12 Dec 2020. Once the abstract is received, the acceptance will be communicated shortly within two days after review by committee. The participants have to register for the programme using the google registration form.

In addition to the theme and sub themes of the conference, the papers may include the following areas highlighting the importance of relationship in practice: Child Rights, Correctional Social Work, Health Social Work, NGO Administration, Disaster Management, Women Empowerment, Geriatric Social Work, Social Justice and Social Action, Community Development, Social Work practice in Protection of environment, Enhancing competency in School Social Work, Indigenous People, Ecological Social Work, CSR, Social Entrepreneurship and School Social Work

All the presentations will be in online mode. The presentors have to send the ppt of the presentation and a video of the presentation. The selected full papers will be published in the KAPS journal ‘Empower-the Journal of Social Work’. The article should be prepared in APA style 7<sup>th</sup> edition format.

Abstracts/ full paper may be submitted through email at ‘kapsannualcongress@gmail.com’.

### **Best Dissertation Presentation**

The Social Work institutions can send their alumni for presenting ‘best dissertation from each batch’. The rules for the presentation remain same as for other paper presentations. In the best dissertation presentation the presenter can use the name of the institution as affiliated institution.

**Professional Social Workers from any field can participate in the program.**

### **Registration (without paper presentation)**

There is no Registration fee for participating in the event without paper presentation. The programme schedule and Schedule of paper presentations will be sent to the registered email id of the participant. E-certificate will be sent to all participants by email.

Registration (for participating without paper presentation) can be done using the following link: (Control+click to open the link) [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdcvvEtA6VmpqTzFs1hnkbJKcW\\_Dya6BsfirHv1Sqbz08UjU2Q/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdcvvEtA6VmpqTzFs1hnkbJKcW_Dya6BsfirHv1Sqbz08UjU2Q/viewform)

### **Registration for Participating with Paper Presentation**

This registration can be done with a nominal payment, Rs.100 for Social Workers and Rs.50 for students. Payment can be done by using the following SBI link: <https://www.onlinesbi.com/sbicollect/icollecthome.htm?corpID=2719762>

Or, Registration fee can be transferred online also to A/c No. 33607666456, State Bank of India, K.K Road, and Kottayam (IFSC Code: SBIN0001891), A/c name: Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers. After the payment, Registration to V-KSWC can be done by using the following link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd65qmt0gxM3TIH7cWV3ZjHalYI6uKPYOacXsKDC3brP6W0zg/viewform> (Details of bank transfer should be mentioned in the registration form).

All registration can also be done by sending the following details (Name/email id/ Ph.No/Name & address of Institution or Organization/ Title of presentation/ Details of payment (Date, Amount and Ref.No) and send to ‘kapsannualcongress@gmail.com’.

Any postal communication regarding V-KSWC may be send by above email or to ‘KAPS Office, Dept.of Social Work, BCM College, Kottayam -686001, Kerala, India.

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## Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers (KAPS)

Kerala Association of Professional Social Workers (KAPS) a non - profit, non-political organization of professionally trained Social Workers dedicated to the promotion of standards and enhancement of the status of the social work profession. KAPS was formed in 2012 following the concerns of professional social workers having an organisation. KAPS functions in the state of Kerala having chapters in all the districts. It is a founder member of India Network of Professional Social Work Associations (INPSWA). KAPS is affiliated to IFSW through INPSWA(India Network of Professional Social Work Associations).

**INPSWA:** India Network of Professional Social Work Associations is the network of all professional Social Work Associations in India through which the associations are affiliated to IFSW.

**ASSK:** It is the association of Schools of Social Work in Kerala, a network of social work educators for the development social work training.

**SWOTA:** It is the association higher secondary social work teachers in Kerala.

**All Kerala Social Work Students Association** is the association of Social Work Students in Kerala. KAPS has been organizing Social Work Students Congress only for students since 2015.

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