



## BPA Trust's 31st Annual International Multidisciplinary Conference

# Different AND Equal: Psychological Lens to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion

jointly organized by Bombay Psychological Association Trust

Department of Psychology

Smt. P.N Doshi Women's College (NAAC 'A' Grade- Cycle IV)

March 1 & 2, 2024 10am to 4pm

#### **About**

### **Bombay Psychological Association Trust**

The Bombay Psychological Association (BPA) was founded in 1945 as a quasi-academic organization with the sole objective to unify Psychologists, Educationists, Psychiatrists, and other allied fields to exchange their views and scientific contributions in the field of Psychology on a joint platform. The association organizes annual conventions, conferences, seminars, workshops and publishes the Journal 'Bombay Psychologist' to disseminate research developments in the field of Psychology and enables discourse on varying perspectives contemporary empirical research findings and current issues.

#### About

#### Smt. P.N. Doshi Women's College

Smt. P. N. Doshi Women's College managed by the SPRJ Kanyashala Trust has been a catalyst in fostering excellence in women's education, through an inclusive approach, for over six decades. It has been consistently accredited with an A grade for four cycles of NAAC, the last of which was completed in July 2023. Its sustained mission has been to provide quality multidisciplinary skill-based higher education to women in the city, through multiple UG and PG programs, grooming them to acquire global competencies. The Department of Psychology has been instrumental in furthering this cause since 1985. As an extension of the UG Program, a Post-graduate degree program was started in the year 2004. It currently offers specializations in Industrial Psychology Counselling and Psychology.

#### **About the Theme**

Psychology as a discipline has shown a persistent commitment to exploring and understanding individual differences. Through its subdisciplines, it has transformed the gaze at individual differences; from being abstract and subjective to being concrete and objective. However, differences on dimensions have various been fault-lines representing inequality of access and power. leading to marginalization and discrimination. Irrespective of the nature of marginalization, the psychological impacts of discrimination on mental health, personal and social functioning and productivity have been widely experienced and documented. Against this background, global societies have seen a push for embracing the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) paradigm. The current conference titled, 'Different AND Equal: a psychological lens to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion'; invites research scholars, practitioners and students to collectively reflect on the various aspects of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and absorb them in their psychological practise. It attempts to explore various means for institutions and societies to incorporate the DEI framework without merely being an attempt to assimilate differences through an 'add and stir' approach. It seeks to unpack intergenerational, structural disadvantages and their psychological underpinnings in order to enable an effective praxis of DEI, to create safe and affirming spaces for diversity to flourish

#### **Sub-themes**

- Psychology and Intersectionality
- Psychology of Inclusion: Beyond Assimilation
- Inclusive Law and Policy making
- Behavioral Economics of Exclusion and Inclusion
- Working with marginalised populations
- Addressing Discrimination In Institutions
- Inclusive Education and Pedagogy
- Psychotherapy, Diversity and Inclusion
- Neurodiversity frameworks
- Diverse families and parenting practices
- Diversity spectrum: Gender, Sexuality, Class Disability, Ethnicity etc.
- Structural approaches to inclusion
- Design thinking for inclusion
- Anti-discrimination approaches and praxis
- Inclusive Public Health
- Allied subthemes

#### **Registration Fees:**

**INR 2000 BPA** non-members **BPA Members INR 1500** Students (Conference Kit and Meals) INR 1000 **Students (Conference Kit only) INR 500** 

#### Bank details for online payment

Bank Name: Canara Bank(Hill Road, Bandra W) Account Name: Bombay Psychological

Association

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#### **Conference Schedule**

#### March 01, 2024

Inauguration of the conference

Key Note address

Panel Discussion - Contemporary

Psychological Discourses in DEI

Lunch

Panel Discussion - Conversations Across

**Disciplinary Boundaries** 

Parallel Research Paper Presentations

#### March 02, 2024

AGM for BPA Life Members

Panel Discussion - Case Studies in Diversity and

Inclusion

Parallel Research Paper Presentations

Lunch

Valedictory Session

#### Note for participants:

- · All registrations would be accepted in the online mode; form can be accessed on: https://forms.gle/UXvtsq5hxejDySSH7
- · Kindly attach the payment receipt to the registration form
- Registration is mandatory for abstract submission
- Last date for abstract submission is February 15, 2024
- Kindly submit your abstract in the specified format on bpaspnd2024@gmail.com
- For Abstract submission guidelines visit https://bpatrust.in/
- In case of group presentations, each member must register individually

#### **About the Team**

Prof. Rupa Shah

Dr. Jyoti Doshi

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#### **Advisory Committee** Conference Committee

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