

## Details of the Programme

### Endowment Lectures:

Chairperson: Dr. Shivani Sharma, Punjab University, Chandigarh

Coordinator: Dr. Radhika Jadhav, Pune

1. Gargi Memorial lecture: Prof. Vinita Awasthi, Hosangabad
2. Prof. Vijay Shree Memorial Vyakhyanmala: Dr. Pooja Vyas, Lucknow
3. Prof. Sohan Raj Lakshmi Devi Tater (Raj) endowment lecture on Jainism: Prof. Meenal Katarnikar, University of Mumbai, Mumbai
4. Prof. P.B Vidyarthi - Swarn Lata Vishishtadwait vyakhyanmala: Prof. Purnima Dave, Mumbai

Chairperson – Dr. Punam Singh, Head, Dept. of Philosophy,  
Patna University

Coordinator – Dr. Mangala Athaley

5. Surya Jayanti Memorial Lecture for Women Empowerment: Dr. Anita Jaiswal, Patna
6. Prof. Krishna Bahadur Lal Memorial Lecture on Justice and Legal literacy: Dr. Sonia Mehta, Delhi
7. Dada Bhagwan Sarvangi Jeevan Darshan Vigyan Endowment Lecture: Dr. Dyuti Yagnik, Ahmedabad.
8. Doctor Geeta Subhas Mehta lecture on the philosophy of Vinoba: Dr. Ms. Praveena Desai, Vinobha Ashram, Wardha
9. Achayutanand Bimal Sinha, Memorial lecture on Indian Aesthetics; Dr. Yamini Sahay, Hazaribaug

### Symposium 1 (Indian Atomism)

Chairperson: Dr. Jyotsana Shrivastava, Varanasi

Coordinator: Dr. Pragnya Sahay, Kanpur

### Speakers: -

1. Dr. Binita Kacchap, Ranchi
2. Dr. Kumari Masuma Madhumati, Varanasi
3. Dr. Rekha Yadav, Alwar
4. Dr. Soni Sharma, Darbhanga
5. Dr. Saraswati Shrivastava, Kotdwar
6. Dr. Kumari Masuma, Varanasi
7. Dr. Lalita Bhagat, Ranchi
8. Dr. T. Chakravorty, Dhanbad

### Symposium. 2 (Indian Feminism)

Chairperson: Dr. Archana Sharma

Co-ordinator : Dr. Pratibha Sharma

### Speakers: -

1. Dr. Archana Malik Goure, Mumbai
1. Dr. Rekha Yadav, Lucknow
2. Dr. Rita Sharma, Shiwan
3. Dr. Indra Vishnoyee, Bikaner
4. Dr. Soni Singh, Ranchi
5. Dr. Kiran Jha, Muzzarfarpur
6. Dr. Poonam Sahay, Tatanagar
7. Dr. Rajni Sinha, Jalgaon

### Parallel sessions:

1. Indian Philosophy & Ethics: Chairperson: Prof. Shobha Nigam, Raipur  
Co-ordinator: Dr. Madhavi Kavi, Pune
2. Epistemology & Ontology: Chairperson: Prof. Geeta Agrawal, Varanasi  
Co-ordinator: Dr. Abha Holkar, Indore
3. Yoga Philosophy: Chairperson: Dr. Priya Vaidya, Mumbai  
Co-ordinator: Dr. Pushkar Bala, Ghatshila
4. Women Related Issue: Chairperson: Prof. Asha Maudgil, Chandigarh  
Co-ordinator: Dr. Mani Sachdeva, Jaipur

### Registration Details:

Registration period	Teacher's/ Non-member delegates/ Accompanies (Out Station)	Research Scholars/ Students (out station)	Teacher's/ Non-member delegates/ Accompanies (Local)	Research Scholars/ Students (Local)
On Spot	3000/-	2300/-	2000/-	1400/-

- Note: - 1. No accommodation will be provided to the On Spot registered delegates.  
2. No accommodation provision for any local delegate.

### Membership fees for BMDP:-

1. Life Membership for Teachers/Research scholars (Women). ₹2000/-
2. Annual Membership for Teachers/Research scholars/Women students/ Non-member delegates registration fee. ₹500/-
3. Life Membership for Students (Only Women). ₹1000/-
4. Annual membership (Only Women). ₹400/-

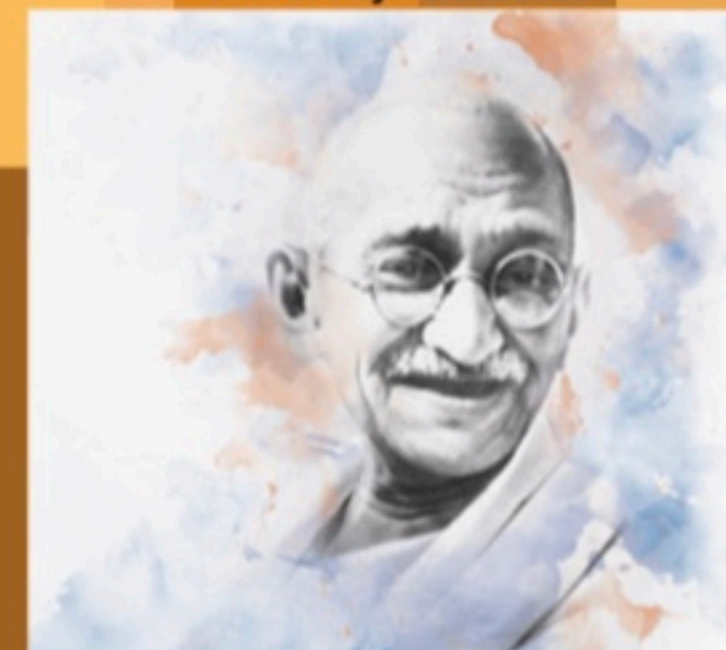
Note: Male students will pay non-members annual Registration Fees.

Delegates of all categories are required to get themselves registered with BMDP save the Life Members.



## 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Bharatiya Mahila Darshnik Parishad

Organized by  
Department of Philosophy,  
University of Mumbai



# “FACETS OF MAHATMA GANDHI”

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2020

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Venue: Pherozeshah Mehta Auditorium,  
Dept. of Civics & Politics,  
University of Mumbai, Kalina

Organizing Secretary  
(BMDP)  
Dr. Namita Nimbalkar,  
Associate Professor,  
Dept. of Philosophy,  
University of Mumbai

Dr. Geeta Ramana,  
Professor & Head,  
Dept. of Philosophy,  
University of Mumbai

## Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai

The post-graduate Department of Philosophy is one of the youngest departments on campus and was started in March 1986 by the University of Mumbai. Dr. S.S Antarkar was the founder Head of the department, who laid great stress on the importance of learning all traditions of philosophy with equal openness. The syllabus thus reflected not only Indian philosophy of both, the Vedic and Śramana traditions, but also the Continental and Analytic traditions of the world. Since then, it has expanded its activities to provide foundation and diploma courses in disciplines like Yoga, Jainology, Vallabha Vedanta, Buddhist Studies, Indian Aesthetics and Communal Harmony, thus disseminating interest in the cultural and philosophical foundations of the epistemic, linguistic, metaphysical and creative heritage of humanity. The discipline of Philosophy, which is both ancient and contemporary, is indispensable in current academia. Nevertheless, its practical import is apparent in all walks of life, such as national policy decisions, corporate management, media, law, ecology, gender, science, technology; in cultures and traditions that we inherit and also in those that influence us. None of these can function without sound and critical philosophical foundations.

The Department offers a variety of Certificate/Diploma Courses in Indian Philosophy. Donations from private funders such as the Jaina Academy U.K. and the Bhagirathi Trust in India have helped the Department to set up Chairs under the Jaina Academy Educational and Research Center (JAERC) and the Vallabha Vedanta Academy (VVA) dedicated to the Philosophy of Jainism and Vaishnavism, respectively. Since 2014, the Center for Buddhist Studies in the Department of Philosophy, conducts International Conferences, Courses and Workshops in Buddhism. The certificate and diploma courses run by the department thus are partly sustained by donations and partly function as self-supporting courses. Many of our post-graduate students avail of these courses and many of the students from these courses also avail of our post-graduate programme as continuation of their interest in Philosophy, thus creating an interactive and inter disciplinary framework within the discipline of Philosophy itself.

## Bhartiya Mahila Darshnik Parishad

The Bhartiya Mahila Darshnik Parishad is a non-political registered society under Society Registration Act 1860. It came into existence by a group of University teachers of India for academic empowerment of women during the golden jubilee celebration of Akhil Bhartiya Darshan Parishad in the campus of Swami Narayan temple, Ahmedabad in the year 2004, subsequently registered in Mumbai in the year 2005. This society is run and managed by women intellectuals of India for women empowerment.

Irrespective of caste, creed religion, education and educational discipline any woman can be its member. Male persons, due to our constitutional restraints, cannot be its member. We are sorry for that but they can be its intrinsic part of any academic activities as non-member delegates. We welcome their participation and cooperation. Since its inception, twelve annual conferences have been organised in different prestigious universities and organisations of India like Mumbai University, Panjab University, Ranchi University, Pune University, Shankaracharya University, Kalady (Kerala) Osmania University, Vinoba Bhave University, Barkatullah University, Ashirwad welfare trust, Ranchi, Mooljee Jaitha college (North Maharashtra University) Jalgaon, Panjab University, Chandigarh. .

## Theme of the Conference:

To commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, this year's theme is focussed on 'Facets of Mahatma Gandhi'. Mahatma Gandhi's (1869 – 1948) influence transcends beyond the socio-political domain of India and his philosophy of 'Truth' and 'Non-violence' inspires and influences many thinkers and activists across the globe. It is notable that in Gandhiji's philosophy human beings are the pivot around which all other activities revolve and are performed. The facets of Mahatma Gandhi' thoughts focus on satyagraha, swadeshi, sarvodaya, trusteeship, women empowerment, education, social and communal harmony, peace, conflict resolution, cleanliness, economics, politics to name a few. The teachings of the Mahatma becomes more relevant when we are facing the challenges of nature and climate change, his words ring more true today when he had said, 'Nature provides for every man's need, but not for every man's greed'. Gandhiji's philosophy is essentially a philosophy of self – transformation. Gandhiji viewed his own life as a process of development undertaken "one step at a time". He saw the need to continually "experiment with truth" (from which he derived the title of his autobiography) in whatever field, in order to come to see the truthful path. Gandhian philosophy is not only simultaneously political, moral and religious, it is also traditional and modern, simple and complex. The theme 'Facets of Mahatma Gandhi' will throw light on the philosophy of multi – dimensional contribution of Gandhiji. Developing understanding of the multi – dimensional thoughts and philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi offers great opportunities to negotiate the challenges of modern day society. Deep understanding of the Mahatma's philosophy is needed more than ever before to ensure contemporary society is able to find solutions to the ever-increasing problems of modernisation. A symposium, invited talks, parallel sessions will be held to discuss the facets of Mahatma Gandhi's philosophy.

## AWARDS

1. Prof. Sohan Raj Lakshmi Devi Tater(Raj) Life Time Achievement Award: This award will be given to any women intellectual who has established herself as a torch bearer for women with her academic excellence, zeal and benevolence.
2. Prof. Sohan Raj Lakshmi Dev Tater(Raj) excellent research paper award: This award will be given to any student/research scholar upto the age of 45.
3. Prof. Sohan Raj Lakshmi Devi (Raj) best research paper award for young teachers: This award will be given to any younger teacher up to the age of 50 on her / his standard of article and its presentation.
4. Prof. Sohan Raj Lakshmi Devi Tater(Raj) best book in Philosophy of the year award

## Department Organizing Committee

Prof. Geeta Ramana,  
Prof. Meenal Katarnikar,  
Dr. Sharmila Virkar,  
Dr. Priya Vaidya,  
Dr. Archana Goure,  
Dr. Narayan Gadade,  
Dr. Namita Nimbalkar, Organising Secretary of BMDP

## How to Reach to University of Mumbai, Vidyanagari, Kalina Campus:

One of the advantages of being a major metropolis is that Mumbai is well connected to the rest of the state and country. By Air-University of Mumbai is closest to Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport at Andheri (East), or at Chhatrapati Shivaji Domestic Airport, Vileparle (East), Mumbai. From airport, one can take auto or taxi to University of Mumbai. By Train-For those choosing to travel by train, Mumbai's two railway terminals-Mumbai Central & Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (CST) connect it to rest of the country. Alight at Dadar station and one can take a local train to Kurla (central railway) or Santacruz (western railway). After arriving at this station, one can take an Auto or Bus no 313, 318 to Vidyanagari Campus, University of Mumbai. By Road- Mumbai is well connected city by road. Private and state transport long distance buses depart from Mumbai Central state transport bus depot to several towns and cities. Alight at Kurla /Sion/Dadar or Santacruz. From here, one can take auto or taxi to Vidyanagari Campus, University of Mumbai. For Further Information Contact: Dr. Namita Nimbalkar, Local Organizing Secretary, BMDP or Mr. Amar Singh, (Research Assistant) : 9833447208 Email: mumbaibmdp@gmail.com , Contact No. Dept of Philosophy: Phone No: 7738201312