

THIRD
INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE ON

BHARATIYA TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS (BTKS) - 2026



Organized by

**Center for Excellence in Indian
Knowledge Systems (CoE-IKS)**

Indian Institute of Technology dhArwAD
in collaboration with

**Bharatiya Paramparik Gyan Vigyan
Samaj**

Scope of the BTKS - 2026

The conference will cover the following broad areas with their respective applications, but not limited to :

- Ancient Indian mathematics, astronomy and their relevance in the present times
- Ancient Indian science, technology and their relevance now
- Art, architecture of ancient monuments and their relevance in the present times
- Ayurveda, naturopathy, yoga, meditation and their relevance now
- Bharatiya culinary practices, nutrition and their relevance in the present times
- Bharatiya Lokvidya and their relevance now
- Bharatiya philosophical schools, metaphysics and their relevance in the present times
- Governance and public administration through application of BTKS
- History and ancient Indian archaeology: Representations and misrepresentations
- Indian psychology and sociology
- Management Mantras in Bharatiya Parampara
- Natural farming for sustainable agriculture
- Sanatan Dharmik tradition of India
- Water and food preservation methods
- Traditional stress management systems
- Tribal traditional knowledge and practices
- Vedic, other ancient literature and their relevance in the present times



SEPTEMBER 5-6, 2026

Important Dates:

Paper Submission: June 30th, 2026

Acceptance: August 01st, 2026

Last date of registration: August 15th, 2026

For more information: BTKS 2026

Indian Institute of Technology dhArwAD

Indian Institute of Technology dhArwAD (IIT dhArwAD), established in August 2016 by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, is located amidst the tranquil surroundings of dhArwAD, KarnATakA. The permanent campus, spread across nearly 470 acres near ChikkamalligawAD village, offers a modern, eco-conscious, and technology-driven environment designed to foster innovation, research, and learning. IIT dhArwAD is steadily emerging as a hub of cutting-edge research, interdisciplinary collaboration, and industry engagement. The Institute focuses on addressing national and global challenges through advances in science, technology, and humanities, while promoting sustainable and inclusive development. The Institute offers B.Tech., M.Tech., M.Tech. [by Research] and Ph.D. programmes across various disciplines. Its academic structure comprises of the Departments and Centers of Biosciences & Bioengineering, Chemical Engineering, Chemistry, Civil & Infrastructure Engineering, Computer Science & Engineering, Electrical, Electronics & Communication Engineering, Humanities, Economics, Arts & Rural Technologies, Mathematics, Mechanical, Materials & Aerospace Engineering, and Physics.

Bharatiya Paramparik Gyan Vigyan Samaj (BPGVS)

Bharatiya Paramparik Gyan Vigyan Samaj (BPGVS) is a national consortium of scholars and visionaries committed to reviving and integrating Bharatiya Traditional Knowledge into contemporary society. This wisdom fosters boundless thinking, seamlessly blending ancient insights with modern paradigms. Rooted in SanAtana dharma, BPGVS upholds the tradition of knowledge acquisition, preservation, and transmission. It nurtures young minds by stimulating creativity, critical thinking, and holistic development. Additionally, BPGVS empowers indigenous communities by preserving their traditional practices, fostering entrepreneurship, and establishing self-help groups, thereby strengthening a self-reliant, knowledge-driven society anchored in Bharatiya traditions.

International Conference on Bharatiya Traditional Knowledge Systems (BTKS)

This conference intends to promote dialogues on Bharat's multidimensional traditional knowledge systems and integrate them into contemporary society. The conference serves as a platform for scholars, researchers, practitioners, academicians and others to engage in discussions on various aspects of Bharatiya traditional wisdom, encompassing fields such as AyurvEda, YOga, VEdic Mathematics, Architecture, indigenous sciences, Philosophy, Arts, Linguistics, and sustainable living practices. The event will highlight the significance of traditional knowledge in addressing modern challenges, promoting holistic well-being, and contributing to scientific and technological advancements. Through keynote speeches, paper presentations, and interactive sessions, the conference will encourage critical reflection on the relevance and applicability of these time-tested wisdom traditions in the modern world. Furthermore, it seeks to bridge the gap between ancient wisdom and contemporary research, emphasizing the need for interdisciplinary approaches and policy frameworks that can facilitate the preservation, documentation, upgradation and practical implementation of Bharatiya traditional knowledge. By bringing together experts from diverse backgrounds, the conference will inspire new research collaborations, foster knowledge exchange, and contribute to the revival and global recognition of Bharat's intellectual and cultural legacy.

Registration

Registration fees include access to all the sessions, conference kit, snacks, conference lunches, conference certificate and banquet dinner, excluding boarding, lodging and local transportation. However, necessary arrangements would be made on a nominal payment for accommodation, subject to availability. Please complete your registration at https://www._____.ac.in/registration

Category	Registration Fees*	
	BPGVS Member	Non Member
Indian Students	₹ 1250	₹ 1500
Other Indian Delegates	₹ 2250	₹ 2500
Foreign Students	\$ 125	\$ 150
Other Foreign Delegates	\$ 225	\$ 250



Invited Speakers



Shatavadhani Ganesh - Padma Bhushan Awardee

Avadhana, author, extempore poet

R. Ganesh (Shatavadhani Ganesh, born 4 December 1962) is a renowned avadhana practitioner, polyglot, and extempore poet in Sanskrit, Kannada, and Telugu. He has performed over 1,300 avadhanas and is the only Śatāvadhāni from Karnataka. Known for his āśukāvita and chitrakāvya, he once composed poetry continuously for 24 hours. He conducted the first all-Kannada Śatāvadhāna in 2012 and completed his 1,000th avadhāna in Bangalore in 2014.

Ganesh also has to his credit over seventy books in three languages, covering numerous aspects of Indian culture, art, literature, and traditions.



Prof. K Ramasubramaniam

Professor-in-Charge, Centre for Traditional Indian Knowledge and Skills (CTIKS), IIT Bombay.

A world-class scholar and historian of Indian sciences, he is a Sanskrit expert, Vedic teacher, philosopher, and mentor. His vast knowledge and engaging teaching inspire thousands to explore India's scientific heritage and pursue research. Through his work, including at IIT Bombay, he integrates science, Sanskrit, and spirituality, aiming to revive India's legacy in the history of science and promote Sanskrit as a scientific language



Shreepad Karmalkar

IIT Bhubaneswar Director

Shreepad Karmalkar is Professor of Electrical Engineering and Head of Teaching Learning Center at IIT Madras. An IITM alumnus (BTech 1983, PhD 1989), he has held US academic assignments and earned major awards, patents, and publications. His work spans semiconductor modeling, nano-devices, and solar cells, while his courses and workshops have shaped research training and faculty development nationwide.



Prof. K S Kannan

Academician

K. S. Kannan is a distinguished Sanskrit scholar and Academic Director of the Swadeshi Indology Conference Series (Infinity Foundation India). Former Director of Karnataka Samskrit University, he has over 40 years of teaching experience. A member of Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, he has authored 30+ books, received major honors, and promoted Sanskrit learning through innovative courses.



Shri Sandeep Balakrishna

Author, Historian

Sandeep Balakrishna is an author, editor, columnist, and independent researcher focused on Indian history, philosophy, and culture. He is the founder and chief editor of Dharma Dispatch and a contributing editor at Prekshaa Journal. A fellow of Indian Council for Philosophical Research, his work explores Sanatana Dharma through revisionist and tradition-rooted perspectives.

Invited Speakers



Professor Ganti Murthy

Professor at Indian Institute of Technology, Indore

Professor Ganti Murthy's group develops sustainable solutions for a resource-constrained world-balancing technical feasibility, economic viability, environmental responsibility, and social acceptance. His research focuses on sustainable bioprocessing and engineered systems analysis, using experimental and theoretical approaches for multi-scale insights. The group studies the nutrient–energy–water nexus, aiming to strengthen agroecological resilience against environmental and systemic disturbances.



Dr. Chandrashekar Tekal

Shankara Gurukula

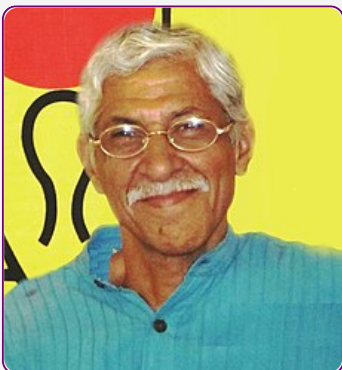
Dr. Chandrashekar Tekal is a traditional Ayurvedic physician in Bengaluru with over 25 years of practice, integrating Ayurveda, Veda, and modern science. A Vedanta speaker and Srividya upasaka, he founded Shankara Seva Bharathi and Shankara Gurukulam. Honored with national awards, he leads spiritual, educational, and social initiatives, promoting dharmic living, youth engagement, and holistic well-being through teachings, rituals, and community service for society overall.



Shri Balasubramanian A V

Director, CIKS, Chennai

A. V. Balasubramanian is a scholar of Indian knowledge systems with training in chemistry, biophysics, and physiology from Bangalore University, Indian Institute of Science, and Stony Brook University. Founder of Centre for Indian Knowledge Systems, he advances sustainable agriculture, farmer initiatives, and indigenous sciences, and has served on national committees and editorial boards.



Ex PROF Kiran Seth

SPICMACAY Founder, Padmashri Awardee

Kiran Seth is Professor Emeritus at Indian Institute of Technology Delhi, where he taught and researched Operations Research for decades. He founded SPIC MACAY in 1977, a global movement promoting Indian classical music, dance, yoga, crafts, and heritage through thousands of programs, workshops, and festivals, inspiring youth engagement with India's rich cultural traditions.



Prof. DP Mishra

IIT Kanpur

D. P. Mishra specializes in propulsion and combustion, with a PhD from Indian Institute of Science and a degree from Sambalpur University. His research covers hydrogen-air combustion, microcombustors, and fuel atomization. Widely published, he has contributed to leading aerospace and energy journals and serves on multiple editorial boards, receiving honors like the Samanta Chandra Sekhar and VikasaPrerak awards.

Invited Speakers



Dr. Mayur Kaku

PES/ NIMHANS, Gold Medalist. Astronomy

Dr Mayur Vinaykumar Kaku, known as the Yogic Neurosurgeon, is a neurosurgeon and yoga therapist blending modern neuroscience with yogic healing. Trained at NIMHANS and former HCG Hospital surgeon, he specializes in minimally invasive brain and spine care. With 20 years of yoga practice, he treats neurological conditions holistically, promotes natural healing, and actively educates diverse audiences on health, neuroscience, and wellbeing today globally.
