



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 34

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
**ARCHITECTURE OF INCLUSION: PSYCHOSOCIAL WELL-BEING
FOR HUMAN FUTURES IN THE AGE OF AI**
(AIPHA 2026)



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Lawrence Sundaram Hall

22 September 2026

09:00 AM – 04:00 PM

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

(09.00 am)

CHIEF GUEST



MR. STEPHEN S. C. HSU

DIRECTOR GENERAL

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TMT. M. LAKSHMI, IAS

COMMISSIONER FOR WELFARE OF THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED
GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



MR. NEREDIMALLI ANNAVARAM

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

SOCIOLOGY OF DISABILITY

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

UNIVERSITY OF HYDERABAD

TECHNICAL SESSIONS



Session – 1 (11.15 am – 12.00 pm)

AI ethics and disability works

Dr. Hemachandran Karah

Associate Professor

Co-founder and Head

The Accessibility Research Centre, IIT Madras, Chennai



Session – 2 (12.00 pm – 12.45 pm)

What your hesitation tells the machine: Anxiety-aware AI and the architecture psychosocial inclusion

Mr. Jayanth Srinivas

Lead for Assistive Technology Accelerator

Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled, Bengaluru



Session – 3 (01.45 pm – 02.30 pm)

From barriers to belonging: Disability inclusion, psychosocial well-being and human futures in the age of AI

Dr. Leo Rathinaraj Antony Soundararajan

Senior Lecturer in Physiotherapy, College of Health and Society

Buckinghamshire New University, United Kingdom

PANEL DISCUSSION

(02.30 pm – 03.30 pm)

(Psychosocial Well-being for Human Futures, Disability rights and Policies to make)



Moderator

Dr. Bernard D'Sami

Senior Fellow

Loyola Institute of Social Science Training and Research (LISSTAR)

Loyola College, Chennai



Panellist

Dr. Sojan Antony

Additional Professor

Department of Psychiatric Social Work
National Institute of Mental Health
And Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS)
Bengaluru



Panellist

Dr. S. Sasikala

Assistant Professor and Head i/c
Department of Counselling Psychology
University of Madras
Chennai



Panellist

Mr. T. M. N. Deepak

Assistant Professor

Department of Social Work
Loyola College (Autonomous)
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VALEDICTORY CEREMONY

(03.30 pm)

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Prof. Dr. C. Rajendiran, MD., FIAMS

Former Director

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Madras Medical College, Chennai

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Mr. S. Gokul Srinivas

Department of School Education

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Commissioner for Welfare of the Differently Abled
Government of Tamil Nadu



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Lawrence Sundaram Hall



09.00 am

11.45 am



PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

- Tamil Thaai Vaazhththu & Invocation - RCDA Choir
- Lighting of the Lamp - Dignitaries
- Welcome Address - Dr. S. Iruthaya Raj, Director, RCDA
- Honouring the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour
 - Patrons of the College
- Release of the Proceedings of the Conference
- Dynamics of the Conference
 - Ms. Fathima Shamreen M, Dept. Counselling Psychology
- Felicitation - Patrons of the College
- Introducing the Chief Guest
 - Dr. G. Lavanya, Coordinator, Department of Counselling Psychology
- Inaugural Address - Mr. Stephen S. C. Hsu, Director General, TECC
- Introducing the Guest of Honour
 - Dr. M. Packiyaraj, Coordinator, RCDA
- Guest of Honour Address - Tmt. M. Lakshmi, IAS
- Vote of Thanks - Dr. S. Emaldarani, Coordinator, RCDA

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- Welcome Address - Dr. G. Lavanya, Convenor
- Recap - Ms. Fathima Shamreen M, Department of Counselling Psychology
- Felicitation - Patrons of the College
- Introducing the Guest of Honour - Dr. M. Packiyaraj, Coordinator, RCDA
- Honouring the Guest of Honour - Patrons of the College
- Introducing the Chief Guest
 - Dr. P. Priya, Assistant Professor, Department of Counselling Psychology
- Honouring the Chief Guest - Patrons of the College
- Valedictory Address - Prof. Dr. C. Rajendiran, Chief Guest
- Best paper presentation award & Certificates Distribution
- Vote of Thanks - Dr. S. Iruthaya Raj, Director, RCDA
- National Anthem



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