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Dear Members,

Dated: 20th September 2021

We are glad to inform you that the XLVI Annual Congress of the Epigraphical Society of India will be held through **WEBINAR**, due to Covid 19 pandemic.

Date	:	25 th & 26th of November 2021
Host	:	B. K. Birla College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous), Kalyan,
		Maharashtra
General President of the Congress	:	Prof. P.N. Narasimha Murthy, Retd. Principal, MGM College, Udupi.

On behalf of the Society, we have great pleasure in inviting you/your Institution/ Museum / University / Government to participate in the above conference. If you have not renewed your membership, you may please do so at an early date.

Individuals who have not yet become members, but wish to participate in the congress are requested to enroll themselves as members by sending their Life / Annual Membership fee to the **Treasurer**, at the above address, so as to reach on or before 22^{nd} of October 2021. Those Institutions which have not already become members are requested to remit the Life / Annual Membership fee and depute not more than two delegates as their representatives.

Life Membership	Individual	Rs. 4,000/-				
	Student	Rs. 2000/- (Up to Post-graduate level)				
	Institutional	Rs. 8,000/-				
Annual Membership	Individual	Rs. 400/-				
	Institutional	Rs. 800/-				

Intending participants are requested to kindly send their names, names of their representatives as early as possible to the **Secretary**, Epigraphical society of India at the above email address. Details of the Congress will be sent to the delegates in due course by the host.

Members / accredited delegates are welcome to present scholarly papers at the sessions of the congress. Members may please send soft copy of their full papers to **Secretary**, Epigraphical society of India to the email <u>epigraphicalsociety@gmail.com</u>, so as to reach on or before 22nd October 2021. <u>The paper shall be in accordance with the general guidelines for contributors.</u>

As per the decision taken in the Exe. Com. Meeting and A.G.B., during 43rd Conference at Calicut, in order to improve the financial situation of the Society, it has been decided that, henceforth, All types of members shall be charged Rs.100/- per copy of the volume (postage of Rs.40/- extra if required to be sent through Regd.Post). All members are requested to extend their cooperation.

We will be happy to receive at an early date, your acceptance to attend the conference. You may please write to the undersigned for any other information in this connection.

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR CONTRIBUTORS

The Epigraphical Society of India, annually publishes the proceedings of its Conference in its journal Studies in Indian Epigraphy (*Bhāratīya Purābhilēkha Patrika*). It publishes recent studies and original research in the field of Epigraphy.

Title Page

The following information should be given on a separate page: The title of the paper along with the names, affiliations, postal and e-mail addresses of all the authors.

Abstract and Keywords

Abstract is a summary of the content of the manuscript. Readers must know the most important points of your study which helps them to decide whether they want to read the rest of the paper.

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Main Text

The manuscript must be in English language. The text should be typed in Times New Roman font (font size 12) and double-spaced not exceeding 10 pages (including both the sides) in A4 paper and it must be divided into sections and paragraphs. All headings and sub-headings should be marked in bold. Diacritical marks on all non-English words should be used and must be italicized. All references should be given at the end of the article (see the section under references). As far as possible footnotes and endnotes are to be avoided and if used, then it should be numbered in Arabic numerals and explanation should be given at the end of the article. Acknowledgements, if any, is to be placed at the end of the paper before the references.

Method of transliteration

V	owels					Conson	ants				
अ	а	क	ka	च	cha	ਟ	<u></u> ta	त	ta	Ч	pa
आ	ā	ख	kha	ন্ড	chha	ਠ	tha	খ	tha	দ	pha
इ	i	ग	ga	ज	ja	ਤ	<i>ḍa</i>	द	da	ब	ba
ई	1	घ	gha	झ	jha	ਫ	<i>ḍha</i>	ध	dha	भ	bha
ਤ	u	ਤਾ	'na	স	ña	ण	ņa	न	na	ਸ	ma
স	ū										
ॠ	ŗ	य	ya	श	śa						
ए	e				sha						
	ē	र	ra	ষ							
ऐ	ai		<u>r</u> a	स	sa						
ओ	0	ਕ	la	ह	ha						
	ō		ļa								
औ	au		<u>l</u> a								
ं	ṁ	व	u. Va								
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Illustrations - Tables, Figures and Plates

Each table should be cited in the text (Table - 1). The title and headings of the table should be included with each table and must be in bold.

Figures include line drawings, graphs and maps, must be cited in text as Fig. 1 (in bold) and include a caption. For example **Fig. 1:** Map locating findspot of the inscriptions.

Plates include color or black and white photographs. Plate numbers must be cited in the text like (Pl. 1). The photographs must be in JPG format of high resolution and its soft copy should be attached separately along with the article. A separate file with details of all the plates included in the article has to be given as a list in Arabic numerals with caption. The format of writing caption is as follows: **Varma, Kumbhāriya, Pl. 1**: Inscription on the left wall of the *de vakulika* in the Nēminātha temple.

References

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For Example:

Book:

Verma, T. P. 1998. The Development of Imperial Gupta Brāhmi script, New Delhi: Ramanand Vidya Bhawan.

Journal:

Subbarayalu, Y. 2017. "Tiruvindalur Copper-plate Grant of 1053-56". Studies in Indian Epigraphy XLII, pp. 43-55

Edited Volume:

Acharya, Subrata Kumar. 2020. Sarei Plate of Narēndrabhanja. In *Heritage of Indian History, Culture and Archaeology*, Vol. II, ed. Pedarapu Chenna Reddy. Delhi: B. R. Publishing Corporation.

Unpublished thesis/dissertation:

Varma, Meka V. Raghavendra. 2011. A critical edition of Kāvyadarpaņa. Unpublished Ph.D. thesis, Pondicherry University.

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Yours sincerely,

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