

Fourth All India Conference of China Studies
November 08-09, 2011, Hyderabad

The *Fourth All India Conference of China Studies* was held in Hyderabad on November 08-09, 2011. *Institute of China Studies (ICS)* organized this year's edition of the conference in collaboration with the *Department of Political Science* and the *Centre for Human Rights*, University of Hyderabad.

The Conference was inaugurated by Prof. E. Haribabu, Pro Vice Chancellor, University of Hyderabad. The inaugural session had a Special Address by Mr. Gautam Bambawale, Joint Secretary (East Asia), MEA, GOI. The Keynote Address was delivered by Prof. Patricia Uberoi, Vice Chairperson, ICS, followed by Prof. Sabaree Mitra, Honorary Fellow, ICS and Convenor of the Conference, proposing the vote of thanks on behalf of the organizers.

Spread over two days, the paper presentations and discussions were held on a wide range of areas under the following broad themes.

Session I: *Emerging Trends in China Studies: Foreign Policy & International Relations*

Session II: *Emerging Trends in China Studies: Internal Politics, Economic Development & Regional Disparity*

Session III: *Emerging Scholars*

Session IV: *Thinking Sub-regionally: Development Challenges in North East India and South West China*

Special Session: *Launching of Indian Association of China Scholars*

Session V: *Emerging Trends in China Studies: Language, Literature and Culture*

Session VI: *Emerging Trends in China Studies: History and Culture*

Session VII: *Emerging Trends in China Studies: Social Development & Human Rights.*

Concluding Session: *Institutional Research & Future Plans.*

This year's conference also saw the launching of the *Indian Association of China Scholars* to provide a common platform for China scholars in India. In the concluding session, the Valedictory Address was delivered by Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty, Chairperson of ICS. On behalf of Cheena Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, Prof. Arttatrana Nayak invited the participants to the *Fifth All India Conference of China Studies*, to be held in Visva-Bharati in collaboration with ICS, in November / December, 2012.

The Conference was attended by a large number of scholars engaged in research on China in different universities and institutions across India. It concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Prof. B. Chandrasekhara Rao, of the host institution and the Co-convenor of the Conference.