

37th All India Congress of Zoology



International Conference

Advances in Scientific Research for Human Health, **Nutritional Security & Sustainable Future**

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Department of Biosciences,

Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla, India

In Collaboration With

Zoological Society of India



About the Conference

Biology is a classical discipline which specializes in studying the characteristics of plants & animals, their behavior, structure, and their life in general, at the individual and group levels. This also includes studying the relationship of living beings and their interaction with the environmental elements surrounding them whether living or non-living. For prehistoric human, animals were only the source of food. Humans started domesticating animals over time, which led them to observe their lives and activities in order to maximize the benefits of their goods. Since then, zoology has advanced steadily and had numerous advancements. From tiny insects to enormous mammals, zoology sheds light on Earth's amazing diversity. Zoology has changed dramatically over the years, particularly during the Age of Enlightenment when researchers started to delve deeper. In addition to serving as the foundation for research, zoology and allied disciplines including animal genetics, evolution, variety, protection and use of animal products, and animal models are crucial to the growth of multidisciplinary fusions of different sciences. It gives people the chance to specialize in a variety of areas based on their hobbies and professional objectives by effectively communicating scientific facts to the general public and having a thorough understanding of the subject.

The present conference "37th All India Congress of Zoology (AICZ) 2026" at the Department of Biosciences, Himachal Pradesh University under the broad theme; Advances in Scientific Research for human health, nutritional security & Sustainable Future will provide a platform for students, researchers, academicians, professionals in the relevant field, business leaders, government officials, industry experts and general public with a strong interest to discuss various topics of scientific interest.

Conference Themes

Biological Sciences, Biomedical Sciences

Biodiversity, Ecology & Wildlife

Medical, Veterinary and Plant Parasitology

Applied Zoology, Entomology, Sericulture & Pest

Management

Biotechnology, Microbiology & Forensic Sciences

Animal Disease Diagnosis & Management

Molecular & Cell Biology, Genetics, Neuroscience

& Neurobiology

Environmental Chemistry & Toxicology

Chronobiology

Immunology and Health or Environment and Health

Disaster & Natural Hazard Management

Food Science & Technology

Fish, Fisheries & Aquaculture

Immunology & Animal Physiology Genetics, Evolutionary Biology

Remote Sensing, GIS, AI, Drone Technology &

Machine Learning

Agriculture, Tourism & Environment

Nanotechnology, Multi-omics & SMART technology

Herbal Therapeutics & Phytochemistry
Traditional Medicinal Knowledge System

Traditional plants, Green Nano-synthesis and Health

About the Himachal Pradesh University

Himachal Pradesh University was established by an Act of the Legislative Assembly of Himachal Pradesh on 22nd July, 1970 as a <mark>response to the needs and aspirations of the Union Territory, poised for full statehood in the Union of India on 25th January, 1971. It</mark> <mark>is the only multi-faculty residential and affiliating university in the State that provides higher education to urban, rural and tribal</mark> areas through formal and distant modes. The headquarters of the University is located at Summer Hill, the picturesque suburb of Shimla. The University has its campus among rhododendron, silver oak, pine and deodar trees. It affords a salubrious clime and congenial atmosphere for reflection, study and research. The prime objective of the University is to disseminate knowledge, advance learning and understanding through research, training and extension programmes. It instills in its students and teachers a conscious awareness regarding the social and economic needs, cultural ethos, and future requirements of the state and the country. Himachal Pradesh University is a multi-faculty and affiliating university. It stands for knowledge, learning, progress, humanity, tolerance, intellect, morality, determination, thought, and discernment. It is a grade 'A' accredited university by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council. The teachers of the University are rich in intellect, skills and professional expertise. Its Human Resource Development Centre is acknowledged as one of the best academic staff colleges in the country. HPU is the first University to offer postgraduation through the distant mode. Students of the University perform commendably at the national level in sports and cultural activities. Every year ample number of students qualify the NET, SET, JRF, and other competitive examinations. Students come to study here not only from the state but also from other parts of the country and abroad. The University is thus playing a seminal role in all spheres for the bright future of the students.

About the Department of Biosciences

The department of biosciences was established in 1972 under the worthy Chairmanship of Prof. M. L. Bhatia a visionary scholar and eminent researcher followed by Prof. H.D. Kumar, Prof. H.O. Aggarwal and many more renowned Professors and Scholars thereafter. Presently, Prof. D.R. Thakur is serving as Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences and Dr. H.S. Banyal as Chairman, Department of Bio-Science, leading the Department towards new heights and multidimensional growth. Right from the inception, the department of biosciences has been oriented towards post-graduate training and research involving the study of biological resources their development, utilization and conservation at national and international levels keeping in view the requirements of the state of Himachal Pradesh in particular. The M.Sc. courses are run into four semesters and students are enrolled every year purely on the basis of merit in entrance examination. The department of biosciences from time to time has been able to obtain research projects from granting agencies such as UGC, ICMR, ICAR, DST, DBT, MOEF, National Medicinal Plants Board etc. which have greatly helped in augmenting and strengthening the research activities in the department. The achievement of the faculty members and research students are reflected in various International awards and scholarships such as Visiting Professorship, Scientist, Academic Administrator, Vice Chancellor, Directors, Advisor, Alexander von Humbolt fellowship holder, Royal Academy of Sciences, London award, Japan Society for promotion of Science Award, Commonwealth Fellowship, INSA Exchange Programme/International collaboration etc. The faculty members constitute a team of bright scientists recognised nationally as well as internationally, who participate regularly in seminars, symposia, workshops and conferences in India and abroad.

About the Zoological Society of India

The Zoological Society of India (ZSI) is the oldest academic body in India, established on 7th January 1938, at Lahore, with the primary objective of providing a platform for quality academics and research in the field of Zoology and related allied fields. Since its inception, the Society has progressed steadily under the able guidance of Prof. B.N. Pandey (President, ZSI) and is flying high towards reaching higher standards in the pursuit of academic and research impact and outreach, furthering its objectives. The Society holds annual All India Congress of Zoology and conducts simultaneous National/International seminars, symposia, and conferences for brainstorming discussions and promulgation of the recent advances in the Zoological sciences. This endeavor serves as a prestigious meeting point for researchers/ academicians / scientists/experts in the field, the student community and the society. The Zoological Society of India has successfully completed 85 years of its Journey, and till date has organized 34 All India Congresses of Zoology at different central and state universities across India. It is headquartered at Gaya, Bihar; and has one branch office at Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar (Central) University, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh; besides six Regional centers located at Agra, Aurangabad, Satna, Chennai, Lucknow and Jaipur. The Society annually confers Fellowships and has instituted 20 Awards/Medals to encourage the academic and research community. The Zoological Society of India also publishes a biannual, peer-reviewed, and indexed Journal, the "Proceedings of the Zoological Society of India"

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Registration Fee (INR)

Type of Registration	Upto 15 Feb 2026	Upto 28 Feb 2026	After 28 Feb 2026
Research & Academic Personals	3000	3500	4000
Research Scholars	2000	2500	3000
PG Students	500	750	1000
ZSI Members	2000	2500	3000
Industry/Corporate Personals	4000	4500	5000
Foreign Delegate	500 USD	750 USD	1000 USD

Mode of payments of Registration Fee (Online only)

Account Name: HPU Biological Society Treasurer

Account No.: 30074778016

Bank Name: State Bank of India, Summer Hill, Shimla

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Important Dates to be remembered

15 Feb 2026: Last date for payment of registration fee without late fee

10 March 2026: Last date to submit abstracts

15 March 2026: Acceptance of abstracts to the applicants 28 Feb 2026: Last date for filling application for ZSI awards

Accommodation & transport: Request for accommodation booking in Guest Houses of H P University may be made after registration. There are a number of hotels available in Shimla with low, moderate and high charges. A list of hotels shall be shared with registered participants for making booking. Complete assistance shall be provided by the organizing committee. Due to the paucity of funds, TA/DA will not be provided to the delegates. However, local transport will be provided to the venue of the conference.

Submission of abstracts: Abstract may be prepared in Word format, only one page (A4 size), single line space, having appropriate title followed by the name(s) and address (es) of the author(s) with underlined the name of the presenter. The abstract should have a brief introduction, materials and methods, mention the year of studies; results should be brief with statistically analyzed data and a short discussion and conclusion. There may be 2-3 important recent references. Email the abstract to aicz2026@gmail.com

Poster presentation: After acceptance of the poster presentation, a single poster may be prepared with size (3 ft x 2 ft). The poster should have a proper title, followed by the name(s) and address (es) of the author(s) underlining the name of the presenter; a brief introduction; materials and methods mentioning the year of studies; results in brief with statistically analyzed data and discussion in short and also conclusion. There may be 2-3 important recent references if necessary.

Oral Presentation: Oral presentations will be arranged for invited and normal papers selected by the conference's technical committee. Invited papers will be given 30 minutes time and rest others 15 minutes for PowerPoint assisted presentation, including discussion.

Publication: Selected full length papers shall be published in Conference Proceedings with ISBN without any fee. High quality articles shall be published in WOS/SCOPUS indexed journal, fee for which shall be paid to publisher directly by corresponding author.

Recognitions & Awards

Best oral presentation award (03) for young scientists (students' category)
Best oral presentation award (03) for senior scientists (faculty/scientist category)

Best poster presentation award (03) for young scientists (students' category)

Best poster presentation award (03) for senior scientists (faculty/scientist category)

Selection for these awards shall be made from open oral/poster presentations by the participants

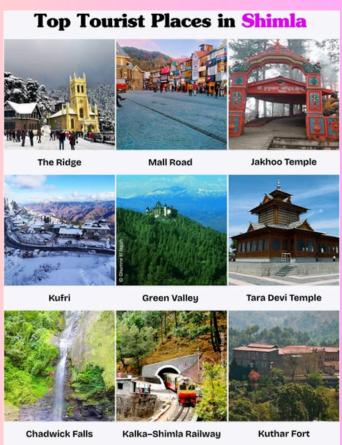
Young Scientist Award (02) (<35 years) Senior Scientist Award (02) (>35 years)

(For young/senior scientist category, registered participants have to send an application/intimation separately along with a full-length length article before 28 Feb 2026)

ZSI Recognition & Awards

- l. Recognition awards of Zoological Society of India to felicitate achievements and accomplishments of India's outstanding Biologists (Senior Professors/Researchers and Scientists) for their significant contribution shall be done during the event. The interested candidates are requested to send their application along with detailed bio-data and a brief write up about their contribution to Prof Kamal Jaiswal on e-mail i.e. drkamaliaiswal@gmail.com latest by 28 Feb 2026.
- 2. Best paper award for young scientist (<35 years) and senior scientist (>35 years) comprising a medal and a certificate. Submission of full-length paper is mandatory for this award. Interested candidates are requested to apply latest by 28 Feb 2026 for consideration, scrutiny and acceptance of presentation.
- 3. Gold medals and fellowships of Zoological Society of India are open only for life members of ZSI. ZSI membership & Award application form may be obtained through website: www.zoologicalsocietyofindia.com or writing to the President of ZSI at following address: Prof. B.N. Pandey, President ZSI, c/o Hill View Compound, Rampur, Gaya-823001, Bihar along with requisite fee of Rs 2500/- drawn in favor of Zoological Society of India payable at Bodh Gaya. The last date for submission of duly filled in forms is 28 Feb 2026. Submission of full length paper is mandatory for this award.





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