



First Announcement

**INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON AGING (ISOA-2012) and
16th BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF ASSOCIATION OF GERONTOLOGY (INDIA)
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Welcome Message

On behalf of the Organizing committee, it gives me immense pleasure in inviting you to the International Symposium on Aging (ISOA-2012) and the 16th Biennial Conference of Association of Gerontology (INDIA) which is being organized for the first time in the city of Shillong from October 1 to 3, 2012. The weather in Shillong more or less remains pleasant during this period and also coincides with the festive season. I am sure your active participation will enrich the scholars onto various aspects of problems and prospects of elderly in today's world. I welcome you all to the said symposium.

R. Sharma
 Chairman, Organizing Committee
 President of Association of Gerontology (India)

About the Conference

This is the first International conference of AGI being organized in Northeast India. The region is endowed with rich natural resources and home to several indigenous communities and diverse cultures. The main





focus of the congress is to address some of the crucial and contemporary issues on aging and problems of the elderly. It will provide an ideal platform to the participants for interaction, debate and dissemination of ideas amongst the distinguished professionals, eminent scientists and technologists.

Shillong (location, features, climate, connectivity)

Meghalaya, “abode of clouds” is a state that was carved out of Assam in 1972. It is one of the seven (now eight) sister states of the North Eastern region of India. The total area of the state is 22,429 square Kilometer and is predominantly inhabited by the indigenous Khasi, Jaintia and the Garo communities. The state of Meghalaya is directly influenced by the southwest monsoon and the northeast winter winds. Rainfall starts by the third week of May and continues to the end of September. The maximum rainfall occurs over the southern slopes of the Khasi hills i.e. over Cherrapunjee and Mawsynram platform which receives the heaviest rainfall in the world.



Shillong, the capital of the state is situated at an altitude of 1,496 meters above sea level. The city is one of the few hill stations with motorable roads all around. The city has its own charm, different from other hill stations and presents a natural scenic beauty with waterfalls, brooks, pine-groves and exotic endemic flowers including large varieties of orchids. The city is also one of the oldest and most favored seat of learning in the region, a mini cosmopolitan with a rich tapestry of cultures, costumes and languages a milpot of cultural confluence of the region. The place, people, climate and the natural surroundings make it an ideal holiday resort throughout the year. The city offers good hotel accommodations and transport connectivity. Shillong is connected by an arterial road with Guwahati (125 Km) where an International airport and railway station are located. The venue, NEHU, is located 7 Km from the heart of the city and is accessible by taxis and buses.

Registration fee*:	upto July 20, 2012	Spot registration
Delegate	2,000/-	2,500/-
Accomp. person	1,000/-	1,500/-
Students	1,500/-	2,000/-
Delgate from abroad	USD200	USD250
Delegate from SAARC	USD100	USD150

- *payable to “The organizing secretary, ISOA-2012 at NEHU, Shillong
- Note: i. Registration fee (80%) shall be refunded on request till July 10, 2012
 ii. Students have to submit a certificate from the supervisors
 iii. Accommodation details shall be available at www.nehu.ac.in

