

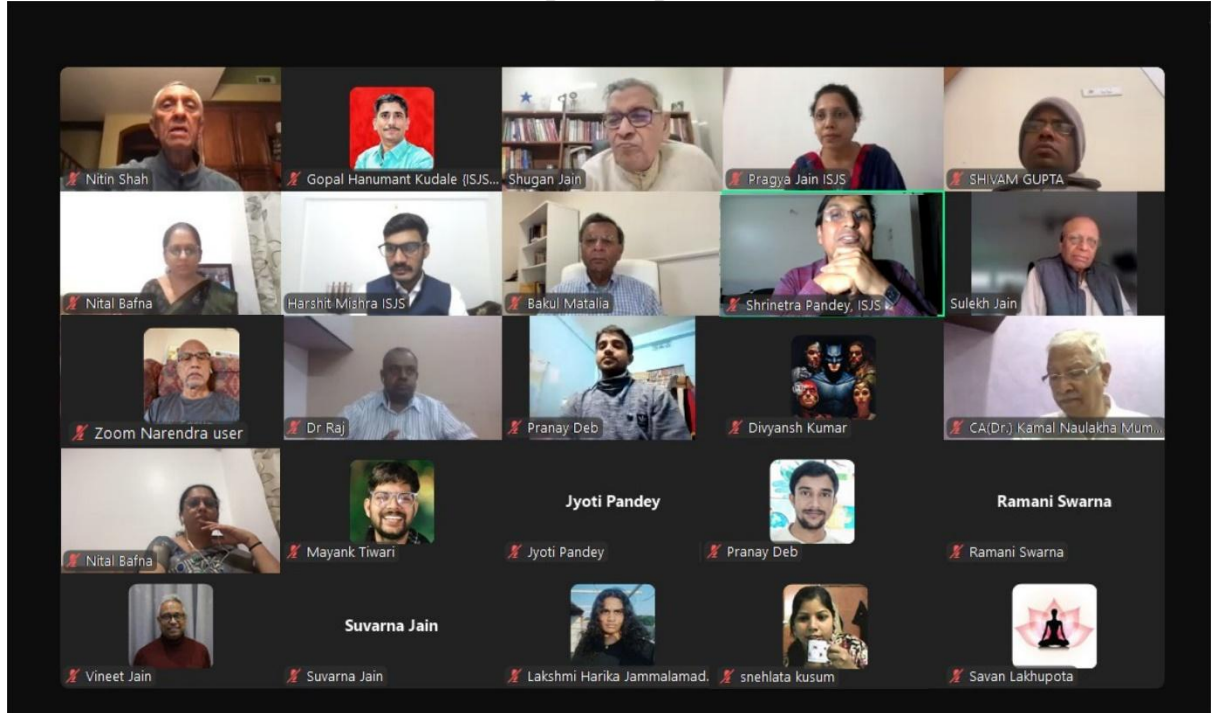
10-DAY INTERNATIONAL WINTER SCHOOL FOR JAIN STUDIES 'IWSJS. 2024'

(28th December 2024 – 6th January 2025)

REPORT

The 7th Winter School by the International School for Jain Studies (ISJS) was organized from December 28, 2024 to January 6, 2025. Sixty participants from different academic institutions in India and abroad had registered for the program.

The inaugural session was held on December 28, 2024. Ms. Pragya Jain compered the session, and the program began with the rendition of Navakara Mantra by Mr. Harshit Mishra. Program Director Dr. Shrinetra Pandey welcomed the guests and participants and shared about ISJS and its activities. Dr. Nitin Shah, Chairman of JAINA-ALC delivered the inaugural speech and highlighted the importance and necessity of study and research in Jainism. The session was presided over by the ISJS advisor Dr. Sulekh Jain. Dr. Shugan C. Jain, President, ISJS offered the vote of thanks. The other significant attendees of the session included Dr. Narendra Parson and Mr. Bakul Mataliya (USA), Mr. Yifan Zhang (China), Prof. Prakash C Jain (Delhi), Dr. Shrikant Ganvir and Mr. Oshin Bamb (Bhagwan Shitalnath Jain Chair for Archaeology, Deccan College, Pune).



Inaugural session

During these 10 days, 17 lectures on various aspects of Jainology were delivered by different subject experts. In addition to the lectures, a special session was organised for an interaction with a Jain householder Mrs. Abha Jain, and her family from Delhi.

Below is the detailed schedule of the winter program:

Date & Day	Topic	Faculty
December 28 Saturday	Orientation / Inaugural	
	Introduction to Jainism	Dr. Shugan C Jain
December 29 Sunday	Placing Jainism in Indian Philosophical Systems	Dr. Shrinetra Pandey
	Antiquity of Jainism (based on Myths, literature and archaeological facts)	Dr. Gauri Bedekar
December 30 Monday	Metaphysics	Dr. Shugan Jain
	Triratna (Three Jewels)	Dr. Shrinetra Pandey
December 31 Tuesday	Concept of Soul (Jiva)	Dr. Shugan Jain
	Jain Ethics	Dr. Shrinetra Pandey
January 1 Wednesday	Jain Ritual, Festivals and Pilgrimages	Dr. Shugan Jain
	Theory of Karma and enhancing wellness	Ms. Pragya Jain
January 2 Thursday	Jain Values (Shram, Sanyam, Ahimsa, Anekanta and Aparigraha)	Dr. Shugan Jain
	Theory of Knowledge	Dr. Navin Srivastav
January 3 Friday	Jain Householders Way of Life	Dr. Shrinetra Pandey
	An Interaction with a Jain Householder family	Mrs. Abha Jain & family
January 4 Saturday	Jain Yoga	Prof. Chris Chapple
	Jain Agamic Tradition	Dr. Ashok K Singh
January 5 Sunday	Jain Community	Prof. Prakash C Jain
	Jain Art and Iconography	Mr. Oshin Bamb
January 6 Monday	Jain way of Embracing Peaceful Death	Dr. Shrinetra Pandey
	Valedictory session	

The program closed successfully on January 06, 2025, with a valedictory session. The participants expressed their thoughts on the program, and it received high praise from everyone. Dr. Shrinetra Pandey, Director-ISJS, delivered the valedictory speech.



Valedictory session

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