

The City of Joy  
**Kolkata**  
**23 IASCON**  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF  
INDIAN ARTHROSCOPY SOCIETY **2026**



 | **8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> October  
2026**

 | **ITC Royal Bengal,  
Kolkata**



# Welcome MESSAGE



**Dr. S. Arumugam**  
President

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is with great pride and anticipation that I welcome you to the **23rd Annual Conference of the Indian Arthroscopy Society – IASCON 2026**, to be held from **8th to 10th October 2026** at the prestigious **ITC Royal Bengal, Kolkata**.

IASCON is not just an academic event—it is a celebration of innovation, collaboration, and the spirit of our arthroscopy community. Over the years, it has grown into a premier platform where the finest minds gather to share knowledge, exchange ideas, and inspire one another.

The 2026 edition promises to be truly special, with an engaging scientific program, hands-on learning opportunities, and a dynamic environment that encourages dialogue and discovery. Beyond science, IASCON offers us the chance to build lasting friendships and strengthen our shared vision for the future of arthroscopy.

I invite each of you to join us in Kolkata, to contribute actively, and to experience the energy and excellence that define IASCON. Together, let us make this conference a landmark event that leaves a lasting impact on our specialty.

Warm regards,  
**Dr. S. Arumugam**  
President, IAS





**Dr. Rajeev Raman**  
General Secretary

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

It is my privilege, as Secretary of the Indian Arthroscopy Society, to extend a warm welcome to each one of you for the **23rd Annual Conference of the Indian Arthroscopy Society – IASCON 2026**, scheduled from **8th to 10th October 2026** at the magnificent **ITC Royal Bengal, Kolkata**.

IASCON has always been a stage where ideas meet opportunities, where science blends with innovation, and where colleagues become collaborators. The 2026 edition promises not only an enriching academic feast with scientific sessions, workshops, and case-based discussions but also the joy of reconnecting with friends and peers from across the country and beyond.

Our mission is to ensure that every participant—whether a seasoned expert or a young aspirant—finds value, inspiration, and a renewed passion for advancing the field of arthroscopy. With your active involvement, IASCON 2026 will be a dynamic and memorable event that truly reflects the strength and unity of our society.

We look forward to welcoming you to Kolkata for three days of learning, sharing, and celebration.

Warm regards,  
**Dr. Rajeev Raman**  
General Secretary, IAS

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**Dr. Kanchan Bhattacharya**  
Organising Chairman

Dear Colleagues & friends,

It is with great pleasure and pride that we welcome you to the **23rd Annual Conference of the Indian Arthroscopy Society – IASCON 2026**, hosted by the **KASS** under the aegis of **WBOA**, from October 08th to 10th, 2026, at the iconic **ITC Royal Bengal, Kolkata**.

This prestigious event marks a significant gathering of minds dedicated to advancing the science and art of arthroscopy. IASCON 2026 promises a dynamic blend of high-level academic sessions, hands-on workshops,

live surgical demonstrations, and interactive discussions – all curated to enhance clinical knowledge, encourage innovation, and promote collaboration across the orthopaedic community.

Set against the culturally rich and historic backdrop of Kolkata, the conference also offers an opportunity to experience the warmth, hospitality, and vibrant spirit of the City of Joy.

We, the Organising Committee, are committed to ensuring a memorable and enriching experience for every participant. With cutting-edge science and warm camaraderie at its core, IASCON 2026 aims to leave a lasting impact on all who attend.

We look forward to welcoming you to Kolkata and to an event that celebrates learning, leadership, and the future of arthroscopy.

Warm regards,  
**Dr. Kanchan Bhattacharya**  
Organising Chairman  
IASCON 2026

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**Dr. Sunit Hazra**  
Organising Secretary

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This year, we embark on a journey of knowledge, collaboration, and innovation in one of India's most dynamic and culturally rich cities. **IASCON 2026** promises to be a transformative experience, bringing together leading arthroscopy practitioners, surgeons, and researchers from across the globe. The event will feature stimulating discussions, hands-on workshops, live surgical demonstrations, and insights into the latest advancements in arthroscopic techniques and technologies.

Our goal is to provide a platform that inspires, educates, and connects professionals in the field. The conference will foster the exchange of ideas, promote collaborative research, and contribute to shaping the future of arthroscopy.

As preparations are underway for this highly anticipated gathering, we encourage you to stay updated through our official website, where details about registration, scientific sessions, accommodation, and other logistics will be regularly posted.

Mark your calendars – **IASCON 2026** will be a memorable blend of academic excellence and the warm hospitality of Kolkata, the City of Joy.

We look forward to welcoming you to an enriching and unforgettable conference.

Warm regards,  
**Dr. Sunit Hazra**  
Organising Secretary  
**IASCON 2026**





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Treasurer

Welcome to **কলকাতা**



**01**

### Advanced Scientific Sessions

Live surgeries, expert panels, video demonstrations, and masterclasses on the latest arthroscopic techniques and innovations.

**02**

### Eminent Faculty & International Speakers

Insights from nationally and internationally renowned experts sharing their experiences and surgical pearls.

**03**

### Hands-on Workshops

Skill-enhancing pre-conference workshops and cadaveric labs offering practical training opportunities.

# Conference Highlight

**04**

### Young Surgeons Forum

Dedicated sessions and competitions for budding arthroscopists to showcase their work and gain mentorship.

**05**

### Research Paper & E-Poster Presentations

Platform for academic exchange through scientific abstracts, with awards for best research contributions.

**08**

### Cultural Evening & Gala Dinner

Experience the host city's vibrant culture and hospitality during the social evening programs.

**07**

### Networking Opportunities

Interactive events designed to foster collaboration and knowledge-sharing among peers and mentors.

**06**

### Industry Exhibition

Explore cutting-edge technologies, instruments, and solutions from top orthopaedic and medical device companies.



# THE ITC ROYAL BENGAL EXPERIENCE

We are proud to host our conference at the iconic ITC Royal Bengal, a landmark of luxury and elegance in the heart of Kolkata. Strategically located on JBS Haldane Avenue, the hotel is easily accessible from major business hubs and just 15 km from the airport, making it the ideal destination for delegates from across the country and beyond.

ITC Royal Bengal offers world-class facilities and impeccable service, perfectly suited for large conferences, exhibitions, and formal gatherings. The venue features over 61,000 sq. ft. of flexible event space, including the grand Bengal Stateroom—a pillar-less ballroom that accommodates up to 3,000 guests, along with multiple meeting rooms and pre-function areas.

The hotel's interiors reflect a harmonious blend of Bengal's cultural heritage and modern sophistication. With 456 luxurious rooms, fine dining restaurants, a spa, and wellness facilities, every guest is ensured a comfortable and memorable stay.

As a LEED Platinum certified hotel, ITC Royal Bengal also reflects a commitment to sustainable and responsible hospitality.

With its grandeur, professionalism, and thoughtful hospitality, ITC Royal Bengal offers the perfect setting for an impactful and inspiring conference experience.



# Great CONNECTIVITY



Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport



## By Train

ITC Royal Bengal, located on EM Bypass, is easily accessible from the city's three major railway stations:

- Howrah
- Sealdah
- Kolkata (Chitpur).



Metro



Cabs



Buses



## By Air

ITC Royal Bengal, located on EM Bypass in Kolkata, is conveniently accessible from Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport. The distance between the airport and the convention centre is approximately 16 kilometers, making it a quick and hassle-free trip.



Approx. 25 min drive



Approx. 15 min drive



Approx. 30 min drive



## By Road

Kolkata's intercity transport network offers a mix of convenience and heritage. The Metro is the city's backbone, spanning multiple lines, including an underwater tunnel beneath the Hooghly. Cabs, from the classic yellow Ambassadors to app-based services like Ola and Uber, ensure quick travel. The bus network, comprising government and private operators, covers extensive routes with AC and non-AC options. Whether opting for speed, affordability, or nostalgia, Kolkata's transit system keeps the city moving seamlessly.



# *Kolkata* CHRONICLES

**Kolkata, known as the “City of Joy,” is a vibrant metropolis that blends rich tradition with modern life. Located on the eastern banks of the Hooghly River, it was founded as a British trading post in 1690 and served as the capital of British India until 1911. The city played a significant role in India's independence movement and remains a center of literature, art, and intellectual thought.**

**Famous for its colonial architecture, historic trams, and landmarks like Victoria Memorial and Howrah Bridge, Kolkata combines old-world charm with modern energy. It is the birthplace of luminaries such as Rabindranath Tagore and Satyajit Ray, and known for its cultural institutions.**

**Kolkata's warmth and festive spirit shine during Durga Puja, reflecting its unique identity. From diverse cuisine to vibrant festivals and art, the city offers a dynamic, joyful experience.**

# The Immortals of Bengal

**Raja Ram Mohan Roy (1772)**

Catalyst of India's social and educational revolution



**Dr Kadambini Ganguly (1861)**

Trailblazer for women in medicine



**Netaji Subhash Chandra**

Symbol of courage in India's freedom struggle



**Kazi Nazrul Islam (1899)**

The "Rebel Bard" of justice and unity



**Satyajit Ray (1921)**

Storyteller who redefined world cinema



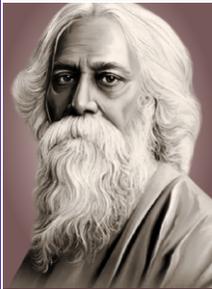
**Iswarchandra Vidyasagar (1820)**

Champion of widow remarriage and literacy



**Rabindranath Tagore (1861)**

Nobel laureate whose art bridged East and West



**Swami Vivekananda (1863)**

Vedanta's voice on the global stage



**Mother Teresa (1910)**

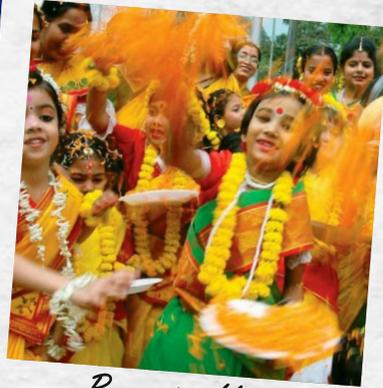
Emblem of compassion and service in Kolkata



# Magistic Culture OF BENGAL



*Durga Puja*



*Basanta Utsav*



*Poush Parbon*



*Santal Dance*



*Baul Folk Music*



*Bengal's Football*



*Book Fair*



*Chhou Dance*

# Charms of Kolkata



## Victoria Memorial

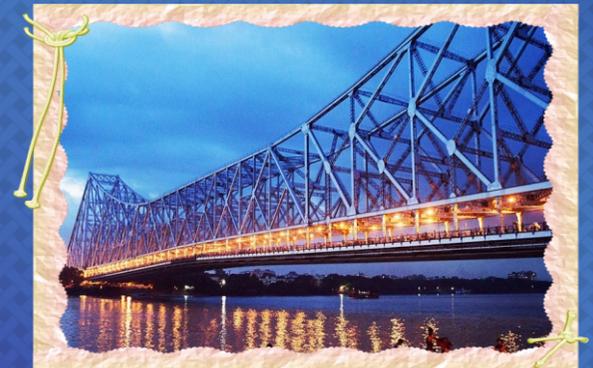
One of Kolkata's most iconic landmarks, the **Victoria Memorial** is a magnificent marble structure built in honor of **Queen Victoria**.

Surrounded by sprawling, well-maintained gardens, this architectural masterpiece now serves as a museum, housing a remarkable collection of **artefacts, paintings, and sculptures** from the colonial era, offering visitors a glimpse into the city's rich historical legacy.

## Howrah Bridge

**Spanning the Hooghly River, the iconic Howrah Bridge** stands not just as a structure, but as a powerful symbol of **Kolkata's identity**.

A marvel of engineering, this majestic **cantilever bridge** seamlessly connects the vibrant heart of Kolkata with the industrial powerhouse of Howrah, witnessing the daily rhythm of millions and echoing the spirit of the city.



## Marble Palace

A **hidden gem** nestled in the heart of Kolkata, the **Marble Palace** is a stunning architectural marvel that transports visitors to a bygone era.

Built in the **neoclassical style**, the palace is richly adorned with exquisite **marble walls, floors, and sculptures** that reflect timeless elegance.



# Charms of Kolkata



## Dakshineswar Kali Temple

Nestled on the eastern bank of the Hooghly River, Dakshineswar Kali Temple stands as a serene sanctuary for spiritual seekers. Dedicated to Goddess Kali, the temple is renowned for its graceful architecture and tranquil surroundings that invite introspection and devotion. Pilgrims from across the country visit to experience its divine aura, offering prayers and finding solace in the peaceful ambiance of the temple complex. Whether for faith or quiet reflection, Dakshineswar offers a soul-soothing retreat from the bustle of everyday life.

## Indian Museum

Established in **1814**, the **Indian Museum in Kolkata** is among India's oldest and largest. It showcases artefacts like sculptures, manuscripts, fossils, coins, and textiles.

Each exhibit reflects India's rich cultural and historical legacy. A must-visit for those eager to explore the nation's glorious past.



## Biswa Bangla Gate

Opened in **2019**, the **Biswa Bangla Gate** is a landmark of **New Town**, symbolizing Bengal's modern identity.

Though its original globe design was revised, the 55-meter structure features a glass viewing gallery and India's first hanging restaurant, offering panoramic city views.



# Travel in West Bengal

## North Bengal

- **Darjeeling** (Approx. 615 km, Rail/Car/Flight to Bagdogra): Famous for its tea gardens, the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway, and stunning views of Kanchenjunga.
- **Kalimpong** (Approx. 620 km, Rail/Car/Flight to Bagdogra): Known for its monasteries, nurseries, and colonial charm.
- **Siliguri** (Approx. 560 km, Rail/Car/Flight): The gateway to the Northeast, offering serene monasteries and wildlife sanctuaries.

## Central Bengal

- **Murshidabad** (Approx. 200 km, Rail/Car): A historical town with attractions like Hazarduari Palace and Katra Mosque.
- **Shantiniketan** (Approx. 160 km, Rail/Car): Home to Rabindranath Tagore's Visva-Bharati University and a hub of Bengali art and culture.
- **Bishnupur** (Approx. 140 km, Rail/Car): The town showcases stunning terracotta artwork in its temples, sculptures, and pottery. A treasure trove of art and history, it's a must-visit for culture lovers.

## South Bengal

- **Sundarbans** (Approx. 110 km, Car/Boat): A UNESCO World Heritage Site, famous for its mangrove forests and Royal Bengal Tigers.
- **Digha** (Approx. 185 km, Rail/Car): A popular beach destination with scenic views of the Bay of Bengal.
- **Mandarmani** (Approx. 170 km, Car): Known for its tranquil beaches and water sports.
- **Purulia** (Approx. 250 km, Rail/Car): Known for Ayodhya Hills, tribal culture, Chhau mask-making in Charida Village, and serene spots like Baranti.



# Bengal DELICACY

Here are some of the most Kolkata famous dishes that you can try out on your next visit to the city:



Steamed, mustard-infused Hilsa delight.

**Bhapa Ilish**



Bitter-sweet creamy vegetable medley.

**Shukto**



Puffy bread with spiced lentils.

**Luchi Cholar Dal**



Light, spicy Bengali fish curry.

**Macher Jhol**



Sweet, creamy fermented yogurt.

**Mishti Doi**



Soft, sweetened cottage cheese confectionery.

**Sandesh**

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Bengali cuisine is a delightful tapestry of flavors, celebrated for its balance of sweetness and spice. Known for its love of mustard, fresh fish, and aromatic rice dishes, it offers iconic delicacies like **macher jhol (fish curry)**, **shorshe ilish (hilsa in mustard sauce)**, and **mishti doi (sweet yogurt)**. The cuisine embraces seasonal ingredients, with a reverence for tradition and artistry in every dish. From the rich flavors of **kosha mangsho (slow-cooked mutton)** to the sweetness of **rosogolla and sandesh**, Bengali food is a heartfelt celebration of its cultural heritage.

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## CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT

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