

# 13<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL CONFERENCE



Organised by  
**Federation of Indian Rationalist Associations**  
in collaboration with  
**The Rationalists' Forum, Tamil Nadu**

Date

28th & 29th  
December  
2024

Venue

Periyar Centenary Educational Complex,  
K.K.Nagar, Tiruchirappalli,  
Tamil Nadu.

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## TITLE OF THE CONFERENCE

### 'NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HUMANISTS, RATIONALISTS, ATHEISTS AND FREE THINKERS'

- Organized by FIRA in collaboration with and hosted by The Rationalists' Forum, Tamil Nadu
- On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2024
- Venue – Periyar Centenary Educational Complex, K.K. Nagar, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, India
- Weather – Spring

## THEME

### 'ENDLESS JOURNEY TOWARDS A SECULAR AND SCIENTIFIC TEMPERED SOCIETY'

#### Sub themes of academic sessions of the conference are as follows:

- (1) Centenary of Periyar's Self Respect Movement
- (2) Impact of New Criminal Laws on rationalists, activists and citizens
- (3) The letter and spirit of Article 51A (h) of the Indian Constitution
- (4) Women and Superstitions

#### Submission of paper for oral presentation:

The delegates who wish to participate and present their paper on one of the above sub themes shall submit their article, adhering to the prescribed format given below, to the email ID [13firacontn@gmail.com](mailto:13firacontn@gmail.com)

#### Prescribed format:

**Title:** Fontsize 14, Bold centered

**Author Details:** Author Name, Institutional and contact details (Font size 12, Bold, Centered, Author name underlined)

**All other contents:** Font size 12, 1.5 line spacing

**Word Limit:** 2500

**Font:** Times New Roman

**File Format:** “.doc” or “.docx” (MS Word)

**The last date of submission of MS Word file is 17th November, 2024 up to 5 PM. The selected authors of the papers will be informed about their selection for presentation by 30th Nov 2024.**

## DELEGATE REGISTRATION

The registration fee is **INR 700** per delegate. The fee shall be credited to the bank account, whose details given below. The fee includes food, delegate kit, badges, and handouts.

Further the successful payment completion, kindly send the payment transaction details and screen shot by WhatsApp to +91 77022 85544 and send the same through email to [13firacontn@gmail.com](mailto:13firacontn@gmail.com) In addition, kindly fill up the 'Delegate Registration Form' (by online Google form).

If not register through online mode, can fill up the form and send to **R. Tamil Selvan**, Convenor of 13th National Conference of FIRA, No.84/1, Periyar Thidal, EVK Sampath Salai, Vepery, Chennai-600 007.

**Last date for registration:** 7th December 2024 till 5 pm.

For online registration of delegate, given below is the Google form link

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSxiN0pUglg5S\\_a17Nuev67A1i7m6O14syvxk9-yeWmlhgJNw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSxiN0pUglg5S_a17Nuev67A1i7m6O14syvxk9-yeWmlhgJNw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

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## ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation fee of **INR 600** per delegate includes a basic cum moderate dormitory type stay facility, closer to the conference venue, from **27<sup>th</sup> December, 6 PM to 30<sup>th</sup> December, 8 AM**. The fee shall be paid in advance to the bank account whose details given below.

Smoking and alcohol consumption is prohibited in the dormitory premises. However, delegates who would like to avail different accommodation facilities shall book their stay themselves, preferably in advance through online mode.

There are several facilities in **Tiruchirappalli** providing double occupancy rooms in the range of **INR 1500 to INR 5000 per day**. **The host organization, The Rationalists' Forum, Tamil Nadu, will take care of the food from Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> December 2024 evening (Dinner) to Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> December 2024 Morning (Breakfast).**

Please send the filled in delegate form copy along with the evidence of payment, if any, made towards the delegation fee & the accommodation fee to the email **ID 13firacontn@gmail.com** and WhatsApp to **+91 77022 85544**.

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Type of account : **Current Account**  
Branch : **Vepery**

Account Number : **232002000000015**  
Name of Bank : **Indian Overseas Bank**  
IFSC Code : **IOBA0002320**

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## TRAVEL

Nearest Airport : **Tiruchirappalli International Airport** (7 Kilometres away)  
Nearest Railway Station : **Tiruchirappalli Junction (TPJ)**  
Nearest Bus Terminus : **Tiruchirappalli Central Bus Stand**

(Volunteers will be available from 27<sup>th</sup> December 2024, 6 PM, to help the delegates reach the venue from Railway station /Bus stand / Airport)

## TOURISM

Group tours can be arranged by bus/car to the places of tourist attraction in and around Tiruchirappalli (Kindly avoid tourist visits during conference days).

For Train, Bus, or Flight bookings, kindly contact the recommended travel agent:

**Dharani Tours and Travels: 98842 32421, 97105 42718, 9500017143**

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Article 51A(h) of The Constitution of India

It shall be the duty of every citizen of India  
to develop the scientific temper, humanism and the spirit of inquiry and reform