

**The 7th International Congress of the Society of South Asian Archaeology
(SOSSA) (18-19th September – 2020)**

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We are happy to announce that the University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Colombo, Sri Lanka in collaboration with SOSAA, Pune India, Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre High Commission of India in Sri Lanka and Sri Lanka National Commission for UNESCO has decided to conduct International Web Conference from 18-19th September 2020. On behalf of the organizing committee, we warmly invite students and scholars working on the topics related to history, Archaeology, Archaeological Sciences and Anthropology of South Asia.

Dates of the Congress: - 18-19 Sep. 2020

Duration: - Two days (First day - University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka. Second day- Society of South Asian Archaeology (SOSAA), Pune, India)

Venue: - University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka

Special sessions: - Session one Rajagala Archaeological project/ Session on Rakhigarhi project
2nd Open session

Abstract: - 350 words

Presentation duration:-15 minutes (10 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for discussion)

Media: - Zoom (online)/Google meet

Papers: - Selected research papers will be published in a special volume of Vidyodaya Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences of University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka.

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Provisional Broad Topics

- Prehistory
- Physical Anthropology
- Environmental Archaeology
- Protohistoric and Early Historic Archaeology
- Settlement Archaeology
- Maritime Archaeology
- Ancient Literature and Languages
- Architecture and Art History
- Epigraphy and Numismatics
- Heritage Management and Conservation
- Ancient Technology and Computer Application
- Museum Studies and Development
- Archaeology of Indian Ocean Interaction Sphere
- Folklore and Ethnology

Guidelines for Authors

Papers are invited on the topics outlined. The abstract text should not be more than 350 words, should mention the keywords, research problem and methodology. Please include your name, affiliation, complete address, e-mail id, contact number and conference topic in all communications related to the 7th International Congress Webinar. The abstract should be submitted on following email: sosaaindia@gmail.com and sjpsosaa@gmail.com

Important dates

Closing date for submission of abstracts – 3rd August 2020

Notification date of acceptance of abstracts – 15th August 2020

Submission of Research Articles – 25th August 2020

Last date of Paying Registration fee: 25th of August 2020

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Guest of Honor:

- Emeritus Prof. S. B. Hettiarachchi, Former Vice chancellor, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Nugegoda, Sri Lanka, Former Ambassador for France.

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- Dr. S. U. Deraniyagala, Former Director General of Archaeology, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

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