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Chairman

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Dear Sir/Madam,

We are happy to inform your learned self that Indian Council of Philosophical Research, Lal Bahadur Shastri Sanskrit Vidyapeeth and Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan are jointly organizing a three-day National Seminar during November/December, 2016 at Lal Bahadur Shastri Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, New Delhi, on "The Philosophy of Acharya Abhinavagupta" to celebrate "Sahastrabdi" of his advent and to pay our respectful homage to this great savant of our country.

As you are aware, Acharya Abhinavagupta was a multi-faceted personality well-known as a philosopher, sādḥaka, sage, dramaturgist, art-historian, linguistic, poet, literary critic etc. and had vast expertise in many other domains. He was versatile genius, an abstruse thinker, erudite exponent of Śaivāgama, Kāvyaśāstra and Saundaryaśāstra and a prolific writer. He provided intuitive and rational foundation to Tantric thought and praxis in a grand and formidable way and put forth a solid foundation to 'Kashmir Śaivism'.

His writings present a thematic unity, an indivisible whole with unifying core and, therefore, cannot be compartmentalized, nevertheless for the sake of classified treatment they are put under four heads as stated below:

1. Rasa Mimāmsā (based on Abhinava Bhārati)
2. Trika Darśana (based on Tantrāloka, Parātrīṅikā etc.)
3. Pratyabhijñā Darśana (based on Īśvarapratyabhijñā vimarśinī etc.)
4. Vākmīmāmsā and philosophical concepts and theories (based on all his known works).

We cordially invite your learned self to write a well-researched scholarly paper with relevant textual references, expository notes and concerned bibliography. Though, there is no page limit, it may be crisp and compact with clarity of thought. It can be in English, Hindi or Sanskrit.

Your paper should reach the undersigned latest by the end of October, 2016 so that it can be sent to two commentators who will initiate discussion on it. Only a few selected papers will be presented in the seminar and there will be sufficient time for threadbare indepth discussion. Kindly oblige by sending paper in scheduled time.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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