

# Indian Speech-Language & Hearing Association (ISHA)

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# Call for Scientific Papers for the 57th ISHACON, 2026

### Greetings!

The scientific committee of ISHA invites scientific papers for the 57<sup>th</sup> ISHACON, 2026 to be held at **Ahmedabad**, **Gujarat from 30<sup>th</sup> January to 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2026**. The abstracts of papers may be submitted under **Speech**, **Language**, and **Audiology Categories**, either in the platform or poster modes. The platform presentations are open to PG/PhD/Research Fellows/Practising Professionals only.

#### **KEY DATES**

**September 30, 2025**: Last date for submission of abstracts (Max. words -1200)

October 31, 2025 : Notification of selected/rejected abstracts.

**November 30, 2025**: Last date for submission of full-length papers (Follow submission guidelines of JISHA: <a href="https://journals.lww.com/INSH/Pages/informationforauthors.aspx">https://journals.lww.com/INSH/Pages/informationforauthors.aspx</a>)

#### **GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACTS:**

### **Preparation:**

- 1. The abstract must be on original clinical/research work carried out by the authors themselves. No review of literature or compiling of work done by others will be accepted.
- 2. The abstracts must include clearly defined sections as follows: Introduction, Need for the study, Aim & Objectives, Method, Results & Discussion, and Summary & conclusions (bibliography optional).
- 3. Please check your abstract for similarity with previously published works (i.e., plagiarism). Only those papers having ≤25% of similarity will be considered for review and possible acceptance.

### **Submission:**

4. The last date for submission of abstracts is 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025 till 11 PM. Abstracts submission portal will be deactivated after 11 PM on 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2025. All abstracts should be submitted through online "article submission" module in members only pages of www.ishaindia.org.in



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- 5. The presenting author should be a life/ordinary/student member of ISHA. ISHA membership is mandatory for **ALL co-authors**. Membership number and email ID need to be submitted while submitting the abstract online.
- 6. Please note that new membership registration will not be provided from 25<sup>th</sup> September to 30<sup>th</sup> September. Additionally, conversion of the 3-digit life membership number to the current 8-digit number will also not be done during this period.
- 7. The author who submits the abstract will be the **PRESENTING and CORRESPONDING** author. No changes will be accepted after submission.
- 8. The 8-digit ISHA membership number should be entered during submission. Wait for your details to be updated on the ISHA website. To avoid problems during submission of abstracts, it is advised to submit the abstract(s) well in time.
- 9. All abstracts submitted by the due date will first be scrutinized for adherence of format and plagiarism guidelines. Only those abstracts that meet the guidelines will be considered for the subsequent review process.

#### **Intimation of decision:**

10. The corresponding author will be intimated by email about the selection of the abstract. Alternatively, the information will also be posted in the website of ISHA. If abstract is selected for presentation at the 57<sup>th</sup> ISHACON, link will appear to submit full length article in the 'Article submission' section. Full length papers, prepared in adherence to the JISHA guidelines, must be submitted before 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2025. Submissions must be made online.

#### GUIDELINES FOR FULL-LENGTH PAPERS

The authors of the selected abstracts, who wish to compete for awards, **MUST submit the full-length paper** on the online submission portal of ISHA (Please visit: www.ishaindia.org.in).

## **Preparation:**

- 1. The Full-length papers must be prepared in accordance with the manuscript preparation guidelines of the Association's official journal (JISHA). These guidelines are available at: <a href="https://journals.lww.com/INSH/Pages/informationforauthors.aspx">https://journals.lww.com/INSH/Pages/informationforauthors.aspx</a>).
- 2. Only the **article files** comprising of the title of the study, and full-length paper with bibliography should be submitted. **DO NOT MENTION THE AUTHOR AND CO-AUTHORS NAME, INSTITUTE NAME AND ADDRESS IN THE ARTICLE FILE.**
- 3. Avoid the use of bullets in your article file.
- 4. Ensure that the combined file size does not exceed 1 MB.



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#### **Submission:**

- 5. The article files must be submitted to the submission portal of ISHA.
- 6. DO NOT SUBMIT your article files to JISHA Portal.

#### REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS

#### **Abstracts:**

All abstracts will be reviewed by more than one reviewer. The outcome of this review process would be recommendations for 'accept' or 'reject'.

#### **Full-length papers:**

Prior to the commencement of the review process, a similarity (plagiarism) check would be performed on all full-length papers. Only those papers with a similarity index ≤25% would be reviewed by more than one reviewer (and thus be eligible for possible awards) on the following aspects:

- a. The adherence to the preparation guidelines
- b. The logical organization of the content and substrates on which the outcome(s) is/are derived (e.g., study design, sample size, methods of data collection, analysis, and interpretation)
- c. The research/clinical impact of the study and
- d. The onsite evaluation

For any further clarifications/queries, kindly write to us at <a href="mailto:chair.events@ishaindia.org.in">chair.events@ishaindia.org.in</a>

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