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"Mental health and illness: cultural and public health research and perspectives from India"

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Prof. K.S. Jacob is Head of the Department of Psychiatry at the Christian Medical College, Vellore, one of the largest psychiatric departments in India. He completed his medical (MBBS) and doctoral training in psychiatry (MD) at the Christian Medical College, Vellore, India and at the Institute of Psychiatry, London, where he obtained a Ph.D. in epidemiology.

Prof. Jacob has published extensively (see extract below) on his research in Psychiatry, especially related to epidemiology, community mental health, psychosis as well as other mental illnesses. Some of his recent works include studies on prevention of suicide, diagnosis of dementia, diagnosis and management of depression and anxiety in primary care The effect of community based daycare on mental health and quality of life of elderly in rural south India, Alcohol and public health policies in India, Explanatory models of common mental disorders among traditional healers and their patients in rural south India, Public health in India and the developing world and studies related to poverty, social stress & mental health.

Prof. Jacob is also an **external expert for WHO in the revision of the ICD** (International Classification of Diseases) for which he will be visiting Geneva on March 28-29th, 2011.

Recent publications:

- 1) Jacob KS. The assessment of insight across cultures. Indian J Psychiatry. 2010 Oct;52(4):373-7.
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- **3)** Gopichandran V, Luke DM, Vinodhini R, Rau R, Savitha MS, Mohan VR, Singh D, Kurian S, Jacob KS. <u>Psycho-socioeconomic stress as a risk factor for preterm labour:</u> a community-based, case-control study from rural South India. Natl Med J India. 2010 May-Jun;23(3):184-5.
- 4) Jacob KS. Alcohol and public health policies in India. Natl Med J India. 2010 Jul-Aug;23(4):224-5.
- **5)** Saravanan B, Jacob KS, Johnson S, Prince M, Bhugra D, David AS. <u>Outcome of first-episode schizophrenia in India</u>: longitudinal study of effect of insight and psychopathology. Br J Psychiatry. 2010 Jun;196(6):454-9
- 6) Manoranjitham SD, Rajkumar AP, Thangadurai P, Prasad J, Jayakaran R, Jacob KS. Risk factors for suicide in rural south India. Br J Psychiatry. 2010 Jan;196(1):26-30.
- 7) Mathew AJ, Samuel B, Jacob KS. <u>Perceptions of illness in self and in others among patients with bipolar disorder.</u> Int J Soc Psychiatry. 2010 Sep;56(5):462-70.