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**Ramin Takloo-Bighash\*** ([rtakloo@math.princeton.edu](mailto:rtakloo@math.princeton.edu)), Department of Mathematics,  
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08540. *On the existence of Bessel functionals*. Preliminary  
report.

In this talk I will describe recent results joint with Dipendra Prasad on the existence of Bessel functionals for the groups  $\mathrm{GSp}(4)$  over a non-archimedean field, providing non-trivial examples for the conjectures of Gross and Prasad. In light of these conjectures one expects certain explicit multiplicity one statements related to the matching of epsilon factors. I will explain the proofs of these statements for discrete series packets. (Received January 23, 2007)