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Message from President



We are living in difficult and trying times never witnessed in our life time earlier. I hope these times would be over sooner or later and life would go on. The year 2020 passed in waiting for the better times so that we could begin our activities as usual, but it did not happen, and 2021 is proving to be worse than the earlier year. We could not organise the ISS conference with the perspective that it was better to do it offline. But that was not to be. However, the Managing Committee continued to meet periodically and conduct the business of the ISS by assuring that the crucial activities of the Society are assuredly carried out. In this regard, the most important thing to do was the salary of the office staff, which was done with the combined efforts of Prof. Jagan Karade and Prof. Satish K. Sharma. The office work was the responsibility of Ms Boinu Vaiphe who did it remarkably well.

I must share that Prof. B. B. Mohanty, Managing Editor, *Sociological Bulletin*, did a wonderful job by ensuring that the journal of Indian Sociological Society is published in time. Similarly, Prof Chandan Kumar Sharma, editor, *e-Explorations* did not only brought out the journal in time, but also made it sure that it is included in the UGC-care list so that the contributors could benefit for their career advancement. Prof. B. K. Nagla and Prof. Rajiv Gupta who look after the editing of the Hindi journal, *Bharatiya Smajshastra Sameeksha*, have successfully kept the ship floating. I am personally indebted to all of them.

I am fortunate to have a colleague, Prof. Jagan Karade, as the secretary of the Indian Sociological Society. He has worked tirelessly to update the membership register of the ISS and he has done so successfully. He has managed the activities splendidly well. I am grateful to him. Prof. Satish K. Sharma, the Treasurer and dear friend looked after the accounts and managed the things well. I must share with all the members that when we faced a situation of the payment of

salaries to the support staff in 2020 during lockdown, he ensured that they all get the same and he did so by spending from his pocket. I thank him.

Apparently, the academic activities sponsored and carried out by the ISS suffered considerably. However, some of the Research Committee convenors organised online seminars and conferences. I acknowledge their efforts with gratefulness and hope such activities would continue in future. After taking over the charge of President of ISS, I intended to bring certain fundamental changes in the RCs, but it could not be done. Still there is a lot to be done in these regards. I take this opportunity to inform the members that the conference of the ISS will be hosted by the University of Mumbai this year, online or offline does not matter.

In the end, I must thank Ms Boinu Vaiphe, office secretary and other support staff for their tireless efforts to run the office smoothly.

Paramjit Singh Judge

President,

Indian Sociological Society

From the Editors' Desk



Esteemed Colleagues,

Greetings. It gives me immense pleasure to place before you all latest issue of ISS-e-Newsletter as Secretary and ex-officio editor. I consider it another opportunity to express my views and share experiences with you all. At the outset, it's my duty to express my profound sense of gratitude, as I complete half of the term as secretary, for all your cooperation, support and confidence reposed in carrying out successfully all my commitments so far. Unfortunately, last year ISS has lost many of its pioneering colleagues like Prof. Yogendra Singh, Prof. Arvind M. Shah and others, which has created a vacuum. Indian sociologists fraternity will ever remain indebted to their seminal contributions of them.

As I pen these lines, I am reminded of Prof. Antony Palackal and his team's excellent job in organizing the 45th AISC in Thiruvananthapuram in December 2019. Their excellence was exhibited in various activities particularly inauguration, valediction, hospitality, sessions, plenaries, symposia, cultural shows etc. deserve a special mention and appreciation.

Friends, as you are all aware, we have been battling a pandemic, Covid-19, since last year, which has severely impacted the normal ISS events scheduled for 2020. We were unable to engage in activities as agreed upon at the MC meeting held on 14th March 2020 at the University of Mumbai, most notably the organization of the 46th AISC 2020 as part of the celebration of 100 years of sociology teaching in India. The MC's online-meeting on 30th August 2020 resolved to track the situation in Mumbai until March 2021.

Additionally, it endorsed the publication of a special issue of Sociological Bulletin on a theme of contemporary importance, and work has begun. I am happy to share our e-journal Explorations is now on the UGC's care list. These initiatives are expected to offer better opportunities to our Life Member aspirants, for which we express our heartfelt gratitude to the Editors Prof. B B Mohanty, Prof. B.K. Nagla and Prof. Chandan Kumar Sharma respectively.

Last but not least, it's my duty to thank all our dear colleagues in MC, Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, President, Prof. Satish Sharma, Treasurer, all MC Members, Editors of our journals Sociological Bulletin, Samajshastra Samiksha, e explorations e journal and all the Members of Editorial and Advisory Boards for their constructive support.

Above all, I express my sincere thanks to our ISS office staff Ms. Boinu for managing efficiently all official transactions over seven years in the office.

Finally, I thank all our dear Life members for the support and cooperation extended for the efficient functioning of our Indian Sociological Society. I thank one and all.

Please take care and stay safe.

Jagan Karade

**Secretary and Editor,
e-Newsletter**

Indian Sociological Society

A TRIBUTE FROM ISS



**PROF. YOGENDRA SINGH
(1932-2020)**

With a deep sense of grief, the Indian Sociological Society (ISS) informs the sad news of the demise of Prof. Yogendra Singh (87) around 10 am on 10th May, 2020 due to cardiac arrest at his residence in Delhi.

As a mark of respect to the departed soul, the ISS presents the following as its gratitude to the eminent service rendered to Indian Sociology and his contribution to the profession.

Prof. Y. Singh was born in a zamindar family on 2nd November, 1932 in Chowkhara in the Basti district of Uttar Pradesh. After his early education in native district, he went to Lucknow for higher studies in sociology and obtained Post graduate and Doctoral degrees in the Lucknow School of Sociology. He was blessed to be the student of eminent teachers like Radhakamal Mukherjee, D.P. Mukherji, D.N. Majumdar, A.K. Saran, Baljit Singh and many other distinguished sociologists.

He started career as a teacher after completing Doctoral programme in the Institute of Social

Sciences, Agra. Later he migrated to well-known universities like Rajasthan and Jodhpur. He was instrumental in establishing Sociology departments along with other colleagues like Prof. TKN Unnithan, Prof. Indra Deva and many others.

After a decade of teaching in Rajasthan, Prof. Singh was invited to establish the Centre for the Study of Social Systems (CSSS) in Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi in 1971 and contributed immensely to build Indian Sociology through outstanding teaching and excellent research guidance. He produced eminent sociologists like Dipankar Gupta, Bipin Bose, Anand Kumar and many others of international reputation. Now CSSS remains as a world class teaching and research centre and the products carry established reputation both national and international levels.

Prof. Singh was an unusual and famous teacher at JNU; students of economics, history, and other social sciences used to attend his lecture sessions because of his special and straightforward style of teaching even complex and detailed ideas with lucidity. He possessed extensive knowledge of social stratification, social science, social transformation, history, and modernization. He was neither functionalist nor Marxist, but he placed a premium on the relationship between philosophy and context.

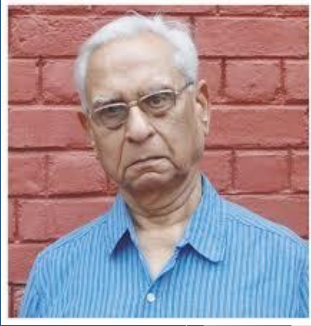
Prof. Singh authored several volumes of books, evidence-based papers, essays, and monographs of

exceptional intellectual merit for use in teaching, research, and policy planning, as well as to shape social policies. Modernization of Indian Tradition (1973), Social Stratification and Social Change (1978), Indian Sociology (1987), Culture Change in India (2000), and Ideology and Theory in India are among his seminal works (2004).

He was part of several commissions at both the academic and national level, dedicated to formulating social policy, as well as serving on the Advisory Committee for the ICSSR, as well as a member of the Planning Commission, the UGC, and as a Committee Convener for the Sociology discipline. Prof. Singh was also the recipient of several honors, including the ISS's Lifetime Achievement Award (2007). He traveled to several countries on academic assignments and also taught as a visiting professor at a number of universities in India and abroad.

His two terms as Secretary (1976-77 and 1978-79) and President (1994-95) of our ISS were exceptional in every way, establishing it as a professional and internationally recognized organization of Indian sociologists. While Prof. Singh is most widely known for his efforts to modernize and professionalize Indian sociology, he was nevertheless an influential figure in doing so, as many regard him as the father of modern Indian sociology. Prof. Yogendra Singh was a simple, modest, amiable, and compassionate person who always had a mesmerizing effect on those with whom he interacted. His students also stated that his residence's door was still open for

communications and academic discourses. His death was the end of an epoch of Indian Sociology. The ISS lost a visionary sociologist of the first century who developed a void. Prof. Yogendra Singh's seminal contributions to Indian sociology will be remembered for a long time. Thus, the Indian Sociological Society (ISS) salutes Prof. Yogendra Singh, a brilliant sociologist, who will always stay in our thoughts and actions.



PROF. ARVIND M. SHAH
(1931-2020)

With the passing away of Prof. Arvind M. Shah on 7th September 2020, an era in the Indian sociology has come to an end. After a brief teaching job at M. S. University, Baroda, Prof. Shah joined the Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi, in 1961 from where he retired as Professor in 1996. Prof. Shah was a National Fellow of the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi. He also held several other significant fellowships during his illustrious career including those at the University of Chicago (1960-61) and the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford (1961-62). He was a great teacher, scholar, and researcher. Prof. Shah contributed immensely to the development of sociology in India. He encouraged translating sociology texts into the vernacular and many a times he himself did the translation. His most remarkable contribution is in the field of family studies. Undoubtedly, A. M. Shah is India's best-known sociologist of the Indian family. Other important areas in which he contributed are: the caste system, Hinduism, and village communities.

Besides his landmark work, *The Household Dimension of the Family in India* (1973), authored *The Family in India: Critical Essays* (1998); *Exploring India's Rural Past* (2002); and *The Structure of Indian Society* (2012) are mandatory readings in various universities. Some of his other notable works include *Division and Hierarchy: An Overview of Caste in Gujarat* (co-authored with I.P. Desai), *Sociology and History: Dialogues Towards Integration*, *Structure of Indian Society: Then and Now*, *The Grassroots of Democracy: Field Studies of Indian Elections*, and *The Legacy of M. N. Srinivas : His Contributions to Sociology and Social Anthropology in India*. Prof. Shah played an active role in building the sociology department at Delhi School of Economics. Shah was also actively involved for many years with the Indian Sociological Society and its official publication, the *Sociological Bulletin*. He held the office of ISS President in 1992-93., The Indian Sociological Society felicitated Prof Shah with the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2009 for his contribution to Indian sociology. Besides this he was founder member of Delhi Sociological Society. He has been the recipient of the Swami Pranavananda Award from the University Grants Commission which is given for outstanding scholarly/scientific work which has made important contributions to human knowledge.

In 1st and 2nd MC e-Meeting have recorded condolences for following respected Members

Prof. Vinay Shrivastva
Prof. C.N. Natarajan, Tamilnadu
Dr. Satyavan Kumar Yadav, Gorakhpur
D.B. Lal,
Ramanuj Bhatti (Maharaja Krishnakumar)
Shri Nath Sharma (Dr. Hari Singh Gaour, Sagar)
Prof. Motilal Dash
Prof. Satish Kumar
Prof. Nirmal Singh
Prof. Srimati Naik
Prof. Jugendra Sahai
Prof. Yogendra Singh
Prof. A. M. Shah

The MoU signed between the KISS University and the Indian Sociological society at KISS, Bhubaneswar. Here are Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, President of ISS, Prof. Jagan Karade, Secretary of ISS along with VC, Registrar and other senior officials of KISS University.



REPORTS ON CONFERENCES/ SEMINARS

A one-day National level Seminar on “Social Exclusion and Social Inclusion: Issues and Challenges” organized by Department of Sociology, Maharaja Krishnakumarsinhji Bhavnagar University, Bhavnagar on 29 February 2020.



The inaugural function of the seminar was held at the Atal Auditorium of the University, Sardar Patel Campus. The programme was chaired by Hon. Vice Chancellor Dr. Mahipatsinhji Chavda. Welcome address given by Dr. H. L. Chavda Head of the Department of Sociology M. K. Bhav. University and Organizing Secretary of the Seminar. Prof. Jagan Karade (Secretary, ISS) gave inaugural address and specially mentioned that "Babasaheb Ambedkar started working on this subject in India in 1924 with the establishment of the Bahiskrut Hitkarini Sabha. He also noted a close discussion about how to the process of social exclusion is going on at the present time with description of the nature of the process of exclusion in religion, gender, industrial status, caste, disability, sex workers, family etc. He also mentioned the society passed from the boycott process is based on money, management system

and power while the state is not fulfilling the responsibility of the welfare state."

The keynote address given by Prof. Balaji Kendra (Bombay, Maharashtra), while introducing the process of inclusion, he said that the process of inclusion has taken place in India, reservations have also come and it has increased participation in the social process, but decisive participation has not been achieved. As key-note speaker Prof. Vidyut Joshi (Ahmedabad, Gujarat) described various problems like what is the process of social exclusion? How does this process begin? Why does it happen? What will happen to it? And what should happen? etc. discussed the basic questions. Prof. Hemixaben Rao (Rajkot, Gujarat) and Prof. Manubhai Makwana (Ahmedabad, Gujarat), presented as special guest speeches. Vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Stenly Bhanat for the inaugural session program.



In inauguration ceremony the valuable presence was registered by the heads of various departments of the university, members of EC, AC members, senate members, media representatives, principals of various colleges, professors and researchers.

Comparing of the programme hold by the Dr. Hiren Chavda One another part as Dr. The Ramnik Bhatti Memorial Lecture organized under the chairmanship of Prof. R. D. Morya (Mahu, Madhypradesh). Prof. Gaurang jani (Ahmedabad, Gujarat) Prof. J. C. Patel (Ahmedabad, Gujarat) and Prof. Manubhai Makwana (Ahmedabad, Gujarat) presented their research papers in this technical session. Dr. Hiren Chavda served as repertoire for the said session.

According to sub theme there are six different technical panels were started on the initiative of the seminar. The technical session panel started under the chairmanship of Prof. Ramesh Makwana, (Vidhyanagar, Gujarat) Prof. Jayesh Barot (Patan,Gujarat), Prof. Pradipsinh Chudavat (Vadodara, Gujarat), Prof. Jayprakash Trivedi (Vidhyanagar, Gujarat) and Prof. Yagnesh Joshi(Rajkot, Gujarat). Prof. Chandrika Rawal (Ahmedabad, Gujarat), Dr. Chandrika Solanki (Bhavnagar, Gujarat), Dr. Sangeeta Patel (Ahmedabad, Gujarat), Dr. Jaisingh Zala (Junagadh, Gujarat) Prof. Ila Mekwan (Vidhyanagar, Gujarat) etc. In these sessions the presentation of the research papers made on different topics by professors, researchers and students. There were more than 135 research papers presented.

Then the valedictory ceremony was chaired by Prof. Pradeep Singh Chudavat. Chief guest of the valedictory session is Prof. Jayprakash Trivedi, Dr. Jaykar Mehta Jayakarbhai Mehta and Prof. Harish Doshi's explained their research

experience. Vote of thanks given by Dr. Hiren Chavda Comparing of the programme hold by Prof. Nilesh Senta. Certificates were distributed after the valedictory function.

To make this seminar a success, a team of Sociologists of MKBU including Prof. H. L. Chavda, Dr. Stenly Bhanat, Prof. Anil Vaghela, Prof. Ajantaba Gohil, Dr. Chandrikaben Solanki, Prof. Nilesh Senta, Dr. Rajesh Sosa, Dr. Ranjitsinh Sarvaiya, Dr. Rajendrasinha Mori, Prof. Laljibhai Bambhaniya, Prof. Janaki Kalathiya, Dr. Ishwar Sutaria, Prof. Ravindra Balar, Dr. Mukesh Makwana, Dr. Jayshreeben Sorathia, Dr. Madhav Sondarva, Prof. Poonam Hirani played an important role. In addition, the alumni of Department of Sociology as well as the students of the department worked hard to make this seminar a success.

Although very little work has been done on this contemporary subject in Gujarat, many researchers and professors have done a lot of work on this subject and presented interesting research papers. That was a new kind of work in Gujarat. The Department of Sociology, M. K. Bhavnagar University must be credited for its success, near about 600 Professors, researchers and students registered for the seminar. Out of which more than 135 research papers were presented. Congratulations to Dr. H. L. Chavda, Secretary of the Seminar for organizing this Seminar for doing such a noble work in Gujarat.

NATIONAL WEBINAR, RC-2 (Family Kinship & Marriage) IN COLLABORATION WITH INDIAN SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY, on 24th, 31st May and 6th June, 2020

PANELIST



Government Thakur Ranmat Singh College organized an online National webinar in collaboration with *Indian Sociological Society* For the first time in the history of the institution. The workshop was organized by the Research Committee of the Indian Sociological Society, RC-2. The webinar was attended by more than 125 eminent sociologists and 382 research scholars of the country. The scholars of eminence and high reputation in their concerned areas delivered inspiring lectures in the webinar. The webinar was inaugurated in the graceful presence of our esteemed principal Dr. Arpita Awasthi on 24th of May 2020. At the beginning of the workshop, the principal of the college Dr. Arpita Awasthi welcomed all the eminent scholars and subject experts and expressed her gratitude to them. She expressed her pleasure for the online webinar which was being organized in the College

for the first time in collaboration of Indian Sociological Society and said that the workshop will give insight and meaningful orientation to the participants in terms of the renewed vision in understanding about the effects of COVID-19 on the issue of family ,marriage and kinship in Indian society. She expressed her heartfelt welcome to the eminent experts and thanked the organizing team, the member coordinator of ISS and opined that- the effort of Indian Sociological Society will contribute to the realm of knowledge in multi-disciplinary research.

Prof. Jagan Karade, Secretary, Indian Sociological Society, addressed the inaugural session from Kolhapur. throwing light on the rationale of the workshop, he said that the social institutions have the greatest impact during the lock-down. This influence has prompted us to return to socializing. We have to connect our institutions with our traditions, only then we will be able to overcome the odds.

The second lecture of the program was delivered by the eminent sociologist Dr. B.K. Nagla from New Delhi. Dr. Nagla discussed the social effects of lock down in detail. He discussed in detail the effects of lock-down on every section of society and the efforts of the people to overcome the situation adopting to the 'New Normal'.

The eminent sociologist from Banaras Hindu University Prof. Arvind Joshi pointed to the structural aspect of the family and highlighted how the familial relations are being strengthened

by the lock-down. Consumerism is under control and the emptiness towards the family has been removed. The family has again become an important unit of social structure. This lock down has united the family and we have all started sharing our memories again.

The fourth most effective speaker of the program, Dr. Manvendra Pratap Singh gave his address from Gorakhpur. He said that technical nationalism is also needed in today's odd situation. Our values will change after the lock down and we will fulfill our new dreams of nationalism. Dr. Manvendra Pratap Singh also spoke in terms of Citizenship Welfare, Role of Social Institutions and Social Consciousness. In the post-presentation debate sociologists, Dr. Vijay Gambhir from Gwalior, Dr. Vinod Rastogi from Satna, Ruchi Ghosh from Bhopal, Vijay Kumar, Kerala, Gargi Mishra Varanasi, Savita Singh Bhopal, Asha Sharma Pondicherry, D.K. Dixit Jabalpur, Dr. Pawan Kumar Gorakhpur, Madhu Sisodia Varanasi etc. participated. Along with this, social workers also gave answers to the questions of research students. In this program, the impactful participation of Dr. Sanjay Tiwari Kanpur, Dr.D.R. Sahu Lucknow, Dr. Manish Verma Lucknow, Dr. Ramesh Makwana Ahmedabad, Dr. CSS Thakur Jabalpur etc. was remarkable. At the end of the program, co-coordinator Dr. S.P. Shukla proposed vote of thanks. The Program Coordinator Dr. Mahesh Shukla intimated about the second part of this program schedule of the

Webinar on 31 May and 07 June. The program lasted for 3 hours.

Date: - 31.05.2020

The Second Phase of the three-day online webinar was held on 31st May, 2020. The eminent sociologists of the country participated and shared their expertise on impact of COVID-19 on family, marriage and kinship. In the online Web workshop held by RC-II of Indian Sociological Society in collaboration of Government Thakur Ranmat Singh College Rewa. Convener of the program Dr. Mahesh Shukla offered heartfelt greetings and welcome to all the eminent experts and participants.

The inaugural address of the session was delivered by senior sociologist Professor Chaudhary Shashank Shekhar Thakur, Jabalpur. While assessing the effects of lockdown on family, kinship and marriage he expressed concern over the main unit of the social structure family and familial relationships and impact of relationship in family and kinship. Realization of relationships establish a definitive pattern and represents a paradigm of relationships. The greater the expectations in the family, the deeper is the relationship. Dr. Thakur said that family security has also been affected during this epidemic. Psychological stress and mental tension have also been built up in the family. The migration of youth towards the mega cities for employment creates a vacuum in the rural areas leaving the elderly people in the villages. The positive aspect

of the pandemic has been the association of family into one unit.

In the program, Resource person Prof. Manish Verma of Baba Saheb Bhimrao Ambedkar Central University, Lucknow shared his expertise on changes in the institution of family with the process of development. The similar change is witnessed in marriage and kinship.

With all the changes taking place, the concept of nuclear family has expanded in society. The biggest feature of man is to have favorable modesty in him, due to this adaptability, he balances himself with the circumstances. Today, the positive effect of this epidemic is that we are getting rehearsed to return to our culture, we understood that our ancient culture is the only way to live life.

These Experts discussed

After these three lectures, Experts in the subject of Sociology participated in the academic discourse with their queries and responses. In this discussion, Dr. Shailaja Dubey Bhopal, Dr. Vinod Rastogi Satna, Ramesh Yadav Allahabad, Dr. Amarjeet Singh Rewa, Dr. S.C. Rai Satna, Dr. Manvendra Pratap Singh Gorakhpur, Dr. Suresh George Kerala, Dr. Abraham Renu Kerala etc. Apart from this, Dr. Yashpal Vyas Indore, Dr. Vijay Gambhir Gwalior, Dr. Dhruv Dixit Jabalpur, Dr. Rashmi Dubey Sagar, Dr. Indu Thakur Jabalpur, Dr. Abhinav Arohi, New Delhi, Dr. Nidhi Thakur Balaghat, Dr. Sadhna Khare Korba, Dr. Ranjana Srivastava Bhopal, Dr. Sunita

Satsangi Raipur, Dr. Preeti Sharma Raipur, Dr. Kiran Singh Satna, Dr. Anil Upadhyay Shahdol, Dr. Swati Shukla Rewa, Dr. Rachna Shrivastava Rewa, Dr. Sapna Sharma Durg, Dr. Madhu Sisodia Varanasi, Dr. Sushma Srivastava Katni, Dr. Taramani Shrivastava Shahdol, Dr. Savita Singh Bhopal, Lalit Kumar Goyal, Praveen Pathak, Dr. Narendra Kumar Kangra Himachal, Saurabh Gurjar, Dr. Bharti Sharma Indore, Dr. Smita, Prayagraj, Soni Kumari Bihar, Bhupendra Singh Lucknow, Dr. Anjana Gautam Noorpur Kangra, Dr. Sophia Ahmed Lucknow, Dr. Sanjay Singh Ujjain, Dr. Shivani Rai Damoh, Dr. Farhat Mansuri Chhindwara, Dr. Pratibha Srivastava Chhindwara, Dr. Anil Upadhyay Budhar, Dr. Vasudev Singh Datia participated along with more than 300 participants in this academic discourse. At the end of the program, Dr. Suresh Chand Rai the Treasurer of the Research Committee, expressed his gratitude to all the eminent speakers.

07.06.2020

The third session in the online web series was held on 7th June, 2020. Under the auspices of the Research Committee of the Indian Sociological Society. On the last day of the three-day online Conference on the topic entitled-“Family, Marriage and Kinship”, the eminent speakers sharing their expertise were Dr. Ashish Saxena, head Department of Sociology, University of Lucknow, Former Secretary of the Indian Sociological Society and Professor D.R. Sahu of Lucknow University, eminent sociologist Dr. Sanjay Tiwari, Dr. Madhu Sisodia, Professor

Sociology, DAV college University of Varanasi,
Dr. Swati Shukla

The webinar started with the inaugural address of Dr. Aashish Saxena's who described how COVID-19 has strengthened us emotionally, doing away from an atomic and disintegrated familial tie. Modernization envisaged a nuclear or a lonely family, but this epidemic has contributed to knit the emotional bonds and tied us to our traditional entourage and kinship. Dr. Saxena believed that although some traditional rites had its effect, such as the artificiality seen in matrimonial rites, it was over during the lockdown. The entire process of marriage changed. The best part of this change was that the economic pressure on the parents was reduced. Our society's primary and secondary kinship intensified. The traditional dimensions of the family system became important to us. Talking about the biopolitics mentioned by the modernist thinker Michel Fuco, he said that its effect is seen somewhere in our family. In such odd circumstances, there is an opportunity to spread online education. Although online education has affected children's feelings, but in such a situation there is no option left.

Former Secretary of the Indian Sociological Society Prof. D.R. Sahu of Lucknow University brought forth the problems of the workers and the migrant labour during the pandemic, along with the restlessness of the middle-class society. He held that unexpected changes have created unforeseen circumstances in society. Dr. Sahu said

that as far as reverse migration is concerned, that is an unexpected result. State governments should think seriously about this so that economic structures are not affected.

A member of the Faculty Development Program of Life Insurance Corporation of India and a sociologist Dr. Sanjay Tiwari insisted that this pandemic has helped to associate the people emotionally. We are struck with unwanted fear, psychological distress, anxiety and anger, but we also have the capabilities to reconcile them all. Dr. Tiwari talked about emotional energy. He also explained the principles of socialist Randall calling. He said that emotional or emotional energy is needed for love as much as for hate. We have to think about how we have to use this energy. He also talked about the notion of collective services, he said that these perceptions create innovation in us. Dr. Tiwari also spoke about the perfect central theory of social psychologist David Hissey. Dr. Tiwari believed that odd circumstances create opportunities for us to think and fight. We have learned a lot from this opportunity. And in the coming times we will go towards a positive change.

Dr. Madhu Sisodia Associate Professor of Sociology, DAV College, Varanasi put forth her point by quoting many sociological theories and quotes. she said that this epidemic has affected everyone and every walk of life irrespective of any caste, religion or region. She objected to the term migrant laborer. She believed that the term migrant is not a suitable term for citizens residing

in a country. This may be appropriate for other countries.

Last presentation of this session was done by Swati Shukla from Rewa. She conducted an online study of the effect of COVID-19 on more than 400 families during the lock-down. Which was analyzed in her statement. Swati Shukla believed that this lock-down has changed our thinking, family relations have become closer and intimate. The attitude towards cleanliness has changed. Food habits have changed. The culture of work from home has changed and we are trying to live again in our traditional values and values. However, feelings of frustration and irritability have also emerged within the children as their mentality and physical agility were reduced inside the house. He told that more dependence on our social media has increased, hence its influence has been seen somewhere in our life.

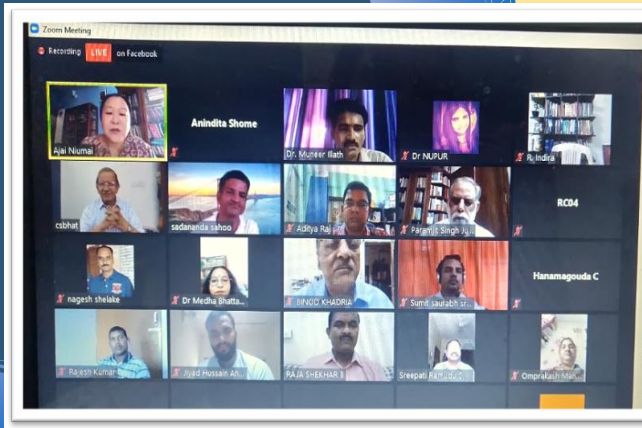
After the lecture and research paper presentation, the discussion session started. In this discussion, Prof. CSS Thakur Jabalpur, Prof. Vinod Rastogi Maihar, Gargi Mishra Varanasi, Alka Mishra Rewa, Anupam Gupta, Dr. Shailaja Dubey Bhopal, Dr. Vijay Gambhir Gwalior, Dr. Renu Abraham Kerala, Dr. Shaukat Azim Dharwad, Dr. Shashank Shekhar Bhopal, Dr. Indu Thakur Jabalpur, Dr. Preeti Sharma, Dr. Sunita Satsangi Raipur etc. participated. Our eminent subject experts answered all the questions of the participants. About 300 participants took part in this online webinar. In this online conference, participants from more than 12 states and 149

institutions of the country played their part. The research scholars, teachers of sociology and other disciplines also participated in this academic discourse.

**Mid Term Webinar on
Migration, Indian Diaspora, Marginalised
Communities and COVID-19, Jointly
Organised by: Migration and Diaspora Studies
(RC-04), Indian Sociological Society (ISS) &
Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and
Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP), University of
Hyderabad, India (Date : July 18, 2020)**

Migration and Diaspora Studies (RC-04) of the Indian Sociological Society (ISS) in collaboration with Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP), University of Hyderabad, India organised a mid-term webinar on July 18, 2020 by RC – 04. It was conceptualised on an inclusive theme and attempted to highlight the plight of not only marginalised migrant workers but Indian diaspora overseas, who have lost their jobs during this pandemic. India and its diaspora relationship are on the verge of an unprecedented crisis because of the Corona virus, which threatens the globe, particularly the very countries where the people of Indian origin have worked and prospered. Around one hundred and forty students and faculty from various Colleges, Universities and Research Institutes across India and abroad participated in this intellectually stimulating webinar. The

webinar consolidated the perspectives of experts on the experiences of the migrant workers and Indian diaspora and also the post-COVID scenario and the way forward.



The webinar was inaugurated by Prof. B. Rajasekhar, Pro-Vice Chancellor, University of Hyderabad at 11.00 a.m. He congratulated the organisers. He also emphasized the situation of the marginalised communities being affected by COVID - 19 pandemic. Prof. Ajailiu Niumai, University of Hyderabad welcomed the distinguished delegates and introduced the theme of the webinar. Prof. Paramjit Judge, President of ISS, delivered the Inaugural address on “Diasporic Communities During the Pandemic”. He focused on different aspects of the field in the past and its repercussions in the society especially the immigrant communities abroad. He said that the refugees are most affected during those days. He also emphasized that Indian Diaspora especially those low paid skilled workers such as nurses have been facing the brunt of COVID – 19 pandemics since they work at high-risk zones among the elderly and sick people. He also mentioned the role of civil society organisations like the

Gurudwaras which play an important role in addressing the plight of the migrant workers. He delivered a thought provocative lecture on the plight of Indian diasporic communities especially those who were in the lower income groups in Canada and U.K.

The Chief Guest Prof. R. Indira, Former President ISS delivered a lucid lecture on “Internal Migration During COVID – 19 Pandemic”. She highlighted the situation of the migrant workers and on policies. She argued that the migrant workers are not homogenous categories and asserted that the different social categories such as dalits, children and women are most affected during the pandemic and are denied basic facilities. She suggested that we should examine the plight of the migrant workers from sociological perspective and attempt to restore their rights and dignity. The vote of thanks was given by Dr. Muneer Illath, Convenor of RC-04.

Plenary Session: 12.00 p.m. - 1.30 p.m.

The plenary session was chaired by Prof. Ajailiu Niumai, University of Hyderabad. The first distinguished speaker Prof. C.S. Bhatt, University of Hyderabad spoke on “Diaspora, Diversities and Covid-19: Some reflections of Indian Immigrants from the Caribbean and India in the US”. He highlighted the pandemic situations and the vulnerabilities that the Indian Diaspora were experiencing in their everyday lives overseas. He also mentioned the critical role played by the civil society organisations and a need for better safety and security measures to curb such catastrophes.

Prof. Aparna Rayaprol from University of Hyderabad spoke on “Gendered Realities of Migration During the Current Crisis”. She asserts that women migrant workers who are in the healthcare sector face the severe brunt of COVID – 19 pandemic. She raised questions as to what could be done for them and how they could manage their lives during the current pandemic and the need to prepare for post COVID - 19 period.

Dr. Aditya Raj, IIT Patna delved into “The Overlooked Children of Migrants”. He delivered his lecture on the conditions of the migrant worker’s children, who have been ignored in several ways during the COVID-19 pandemic. He argued that child migrants may travel with their parents or may be left behind, or migrate independently. And, their lives are often at high risk without a proper education. He argued that the peculiarities associated with the migrant workers need consideration along with reconceptualization of childhood and education. He stated that migrant children must be perceived as those with a childhood shaped more within structural settings and less by their own agency. Hence, they need an extra effort from state and as well as civil society during this pandemic.

It was followed by Prof. Brij Maharaj, University of KwaZulu - Natal, South Africa, who spoke on “Corona Pandemic, Dislocations and Livelihood Challenges in South Africa”. He elaborated the plight and predicaments of the migrants diasporic communities in South Africa. He raised questions

as to how they have been surviving during the pandemic. He analysed the Diaspora’s roles in attempting to alleviate the catastrophe.

Technical Sessions: 2.30 pm -5.30 pm

The webinar received 30 abstracts which was divided into four technical parallel sessions. The first technical session was chaired by Dr. Ajaya Sahoo, Centre for study of Indian Diaspora, University of Hyderabad. The first paper was on “Gulf migration and the Flows of Social Remittances: A study of Barkas in Hyderabad” by Dr. Anushyama Mukherjee, Senior research officer, Public Affairs Centre. The next paper by Shrestha Choudhury, M.Phil Research scholar, Jadavpur University was on “Socio-Economic Crisis of Daily Wage Earners in Kolkata during Lock-down”. Dr. Monika Bisht Ranjan, Research Associate with Institute for Research and Development in school Education, New Delhi presented a paper on “Changing Scenario of Indian student Mobility During COVID-19 pandemic”. Dr. Medha Bhattacharya, Assistant Professor, Department of Basic sciences and Humanities, Bengal Institute of Technology, Kolkata presented her paper on “The Unpromised Land in Shani Mootoo’s - A Garden of her own and Sushila Bhakti”. Raj Kumar Singh, Ph.D. Scholar, Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi presented his paper on “Impact of COVID-19 on Economic Practices of Tibetan Refugees in Himachal Pradesh”. Dr. Priyanka Agarwal’s paper was on “Study of issues and Challenges of Migrant Workers during

Pandemic". The session reflected on gulf migration, socio-economic issues, challenges of migrants and student's mobility during the pandemic.

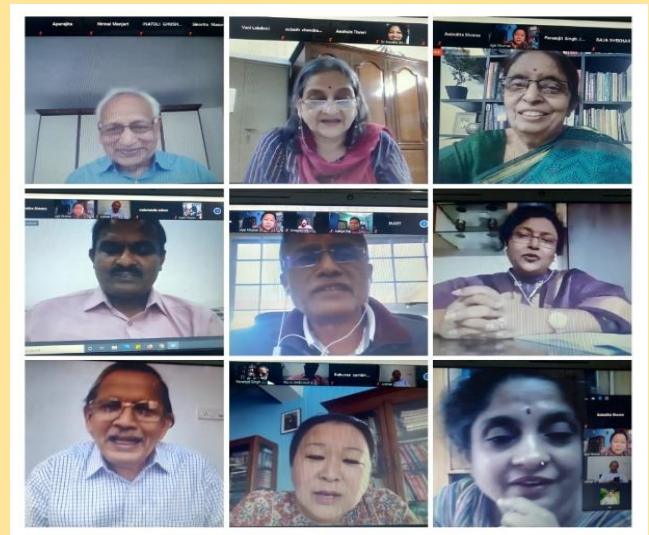
The second technical session had seven papers chaired by Dr. Sadananda Sahoo, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi. The first paper was by Pranata Bhattacharya, Assistant Professor Department of Political Science, Bankura University on "The Issues of Forced Migration in Northeast India: Addressing Postmodern Spatial Demands and Public Policies". The second paper was titled, "Diasporas on the Online Platform: Challenges and Opportunities during COVID-19" by Ani Yeremyan, Ph.D scholar at Jawaharlal Nehru University, School of International Studies. Nutan Marian Tigga, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Jadavpur University presented her paper on "Loss of Freedom and Life Chances for Labourers in the Face of COVID-19". Pushpa Hunashyal, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology at C.N.Nirani Government First Grade College, Karnataka, presented her paper on "Dynamics of Social Institutions in the Era of Pandemics - Family, Religion and Civil Society". Anshula Tiwari, Masters Student, Erasmus University, Rotterdam, Netherlands, presented a paper on "Challenges to Indian Student Mobilities in the Wake of the COVID-19 Pandemic". Iram Fatima, Assistant Professor (Guest), Ramanujan College, University of Delhi presented a paper on "A study of Feminist Diasporic Sensibility in Chitra Divakaruni's "The Mistress of Spices".

Finally, Dr. Arundhati Mohanty, Head, Department of Sociology, Bhadrak College, Bhadrak, Odisha presented a paper on "Revisiting Push Pull theory of Migration in Present Pandemic Phase". This technical session highlighted issues on social institutions, diasporic sensibility, forced migration and policies.

The third technical session was chaired by Dr. Sudha Khokate, Bangalore University. The first paper was presented by Suchismita Das, M.Phil. Scholar, Department of Sociology, Jadavpur University on "COVID-19: Female Migrant Workers and the Role of Media". Dr. Rakesh Ranjan, Assistant Professor, Centre for Development Practice and Research, TISS, Takshila Campus, Patna spoke on "Impact of COVID-19 Outbreak Shock on Indian Labour Migrants in Gulf Cooperation Council Countries". Shoeb Ahmed Ilyas, Ph.D Research Scholar, Centre for Economic and Social Studies, Begumpet, Hyderabad presented a paper on "Mitigating Resilient Strategies for Challenges Faced by Women and Girl's Migrants in COVID-19 Pandemic". Dr. Virendra B. Shahare, Associate Professor, Department of Social Work, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi presented a paper on "Covid-19 Issues and Concerns of Marginalised Migrant Labour". This session focused on the emerging issue of migration, gender, marginalisation and impact of media in the era of pandemic.

The fourth technical session was chaired by Dr. Muneer Illath, Central University of Allahabad.

The first paper was presented by Sinorita Mazumder, Ph.D Scholar at UGC Centre for the Study of Indian Diaspora School of Social Sciences, University of Hyderabad, on “Dietary Changes in the Diaspora during COVID-19”. Santosh Nandmehar, Adv. Santosh Nandmehar Campus Law Faculty, Delhi University presented his paper on “Indian Constitution and the Present Crisis of Labour Migration: From Crisis to New Normal”. Dr. Sr. Prafula, Assistant Professor, Teresian College, Mysuru spoke on “Impact of COVID-19 on Indian Migrant Workers: Issues and Concerns”. Ratna Bharati B, Doctoral Candidate, Sociology School of Liberal Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi presented a paper on “Nationhood Beyond Boundaries During COVID-19: On Expedition of NRI Voting and Parliamentary Representation of Indian Diaspora”. Megha Madhavan EV, Research Scholar IR&PS Central University of Kerala, Kerala Institute of Local Administration presented a paper on “Conditions of Interstate Migrant Workers and their Uplifting Policies in India During COVID-19”. Each Technical session had a vibrant question and answer session.



Valedictory Session 6.00 p.m – 7.00 p.m.

Dr. Aditya Raj, IIT Patna introduced Prof. R.K. Jain who delivered the Valedictory Address on “Context COVID-19: Migration, Multiculturalism and Marginalization”. Prof. Shweta Prasad, Department of Sociology, BHU chaired this session and introduced Prof. Kamala Ganesh. Prof. Ganesh voiced the sociological perspective of COVID-19 and the possibility of conquering it like in the past whenever any pandemic hit humanity. She asserted that migration is no longer an innocent word as it carries with it a great deal of trauma and tragedy. In her view, migration is one of the major topics in sociology and demography. And, migration is constant in human evolution and has been lauded for its positive, entrepreneurial and creative impulses. She pointed that internal or domestic migration in India was a much-studied phenomenon in post Independent sociology. In the context of COVID – 19 pandemics, she said that there is a new normal which implies that we cannot escape the questions of what is wrong with our systems and how we

were unprepared despite the scientists warning us for years. She argued that what is needed is a robust analysis about deeper causes and how we may need to alter the way we live and also alter our own world views about what is the good life. In her view, COVID – 19 is different from the earlier pandemics. Apart from its natural virulence, the scale and speed of the spread of COVID -19 are largely the by-products of globalized life styles in which the scale, speed and frequency of people across segments and classes traveling across the globe in an unprecedented fashion. Lastly, she said that the one cynical argument is that humanity will not learn its lessons from COVID-19.

Prof. R.K. Jain emphasized the methodological significance in the context of COVID-19. He said that in the context of marginalisation, there has been many studies including the movement like Black Lives Matter which has brought the situation of the black and white racial distinction into focus globally. And, in the Indian context, the Dalits studies movement and the kinds of works by scholars like Gopal Guru have given new insights on the marginalisation of the Dalits. In the context of Latin America, Prof. Jain mentioned T. Michael's idea on Columbia and the ways in which waves of paramilitary forces patronized by global capitalism has affected the marginalisation of the people. He argued that marginalisation is an issue which is closely connected to diversity and super-diversity. Then, he emphasised on India with a special focus on COVID – 19 where he

pointed about Muslims and the stereotypical behaviour in which the victims being the Muslim religious minorities from a dogmatic point of view. Hence, religion comes into play. He also cited North East Indians and the stereotypical behaviour where race is another criterion which comes into play. He mentioned that “survival versus nostalgia” have to be taken into account in the context of the migrant workers returning to their home states since they assumed to return home for nostalgia rather than for survival. He concluded that COVID –19 gives a much-needed pause to run away globalisation and thus catalysing the search for a new normal. It has enabled us to look at what we have taken for granted as the normal and now it is giving new ideas and technologies and at the same time telling what we should jettison of the old.

Dr. Nupur Pattanaik, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Central University of Odisha delivered the vote of thanks.

The mid-term webinar organising team comprises of the following members:

Dr. Muneer Illath,

Webinar Convenor, University of Allahabad

Prof. Ajailiu Niumai,

Webinar Co-Convenor, University of Hyderabad

Dr. Aditya Raj,

IIT Patna, Organising Secretary

Dr. Nupur Pattanaik,

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Report on One Day National Seminar

RC 26 Minority Studies (2020-2021)

Exploring Minority Studies: Inter Disciplinary Perspectives” Organized by Research Committee on Minority Studies (RC26), Indian Sociological Society, New Delhi & Democracy Dialogue, Hyderabad, in association with the Department of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi & Department of Women Education, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad on July 19, 2020 online.

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The seminar was introduced by the convener Dr. Khwaja Mohammed Ziyauddin to the galaxy of scholars who joined from various reputed universities and institutions. The Convener also introduced the theme and first session titled as ‘Minority Studies: Context Setting ‘ where two former Vice Chancellors and dignitaries of ISS were the chief guests and eminent scholars.

On behalf of the Indian Sociological Society, the Secretary of Indian Sociological Society, Prof. Jagan Karade welcomed the chief guests on behalf of the subject association and appreciated the inauguration of the seminar in an important theme of RC 26. He himself deliberated upon ‘Minorities in India: Myth and Reality’ wherein Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, President, Indian Sociological Society, New Delhi chaired the opening first session on the theme of the seminar. He also presented his talk on ‘Sociology of Minorities in India’ making the seminar most important events to the contemporary research. The Seminar was inaugurated by Prof. Najma Akhtar, Vice- Chancellor, Jamia Millia Islamia,

Exploring Minority Studies - Inter Disciplinary Perspectives
Opening Session
 Minority Studies - Context Setting

Role and Responsibility of Minority Institutions
Prof. Najma Akhtar
 Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi

Linguistic Institutions in India
 A Case of a National Urdu University
Prof. Fatima Begum
 Maulana Azad National Urdu University
 Hyderabad

Minorities in India:
 Myth and Reality
Prof. Jagan Karade
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Sociology of
 Minorities in India
Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge
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DEMOCRACY DIALOGUE

A One Day National Level Panel Discussion-cum –Seminar was organized on the theme of “Exploring Minority Studies: Inter Disciplinary Perspectives” Organized by Research Committee on Minority Studies (RC26), Indian Sociological Society, New Delhi & Democracy Dialogue, Hyderabad, in association with the Department of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi &

New Delhi who deliberated upon the theme of 'Role & Responsibility of Minority Institutions' followed by host Vice Chancellor of Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad. Prof. Fatima Begum, Vice Chancellor I/c, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad shared her paper on 'Linguistic Institutions in India- a case of National Urdu University'.

There were two broadly themed panel discussion spread throughout the day to bring out the nuances and perspectives on minority studies and explore the interdisciplinary nature involved into this area of study. The first session was moderated by Prof. Savyasachi, Deptt of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi where five scholars of eminence presented their works. The scholars were Prof. Tanweer Fazal, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad; Prof. Abdul Shaban, TISS, Mumbai; Prof. Rowena Robinson, IIT, Mumbai, Prof. Vivek Kumar, JNU, New Delhi and Prof. Aseem Prakash, TISS, Hyderabad. Prof. Shahida, MANUU, Hyderabad; Prof. Arvinder A. Ansari, JMI, New Delhi; Prof. Amir Ullah Khan, MCRHRD, Hyderabad.

National Symposia-cum-Webinar on 'From Secularism to Constitutionalism: Challenges of Communalism, RC-26 (Minority Studies), Indian Sociological Society, Delhi.

Another National Symposia-cum-Webinar on 'From Secularism to Constitutionalism: Challenges of Communalism' was organized in association with Democracy Dialogue, Hyderabad, 2020. Part of the event From Partition to Polarisation: Lived Social Realities of Religion and Secularism in India - Dr. Vineeth Mathoor, Department of History, NSS Hindu College, Kerala and Evolution of Constitutional Scheme for Minorities and Redressing their Vulnerability- Dr. Narender Nagarwal, Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, University of Delhi, Delhi; Living in Communalism and Incompleteness of Secularism in India: Missing Sociological Nuances on Hindu-Muslims' Heterogeneity- Dr. K.M. Ziyauddin, Department of Sociology, School of Arts & Social Sciences, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad, India. The session was managed by a Discussant, Dr. Salah Punathil, University of Hyderabad, New Delhi, and chaired by Prof. Arvinder A Ansari, Jamia Millia Islamia. The seminar was moderated and convened by Dr. K. M. Ziyauddin, Democracy Dialogue, Hyderabad & RC-26 (Minority Studies), Indian Sociological Society, Delhi.

International Webinar On

Social and Cultural Challenges during COVID-19 Pandemic in Indian Society: Local and Global Concerns 27th-29th July 2020 at Fakir Mohan University, Balasore, Odisha



This International Webinar was hosted by Fakir Mohan University, Department of Social Science in collaboration with Indian Sociological Society and Ethnographic and Folk Culture Society where the Convener was Dr. Sunil Kumar Padhi and the Organizing Secretary was Dr. Sipra Sagarika, along with Co- Conveners Dr. Pabitra Mohan Nayak and Ms. Smruti Sikta Thapa.

In the inaugural session Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Madhumita Das addressed the virtual gathering and highlighted many issues of COVID-19 in the present day. In this session, renowned academicians Prof. Anand Kumar (J.N.U), Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge (President, Indian Sociological Society) and Prof. Sukant Choudhury (Lucknow University, Lucknow) presented their intellectual observations and insightful thoughts in relation to the COVID-19 from global as well as local context. Their main arguments were based

on the challenges encountered by the social institutions (Marriage, Family, Education, Health, Death Rituals etc.) at large due to the pandemic. In their lectures, they also highlighted that the social institutions have succumbed to a crisis situation, and have failed to ensure the basic needs and requirements of people in such a crisis situation. Thus, a unique phenomenon where practice of globalization is pushing you to a danger zone and practice of localization will keep one in a safe zone have been remarked. Therefore, need of the hour demands reconstructing the social institutions like health care, gender relation, community, market and the state. This concluded the inaugural session with a grand success.

The next session was 'Plenary Session- I' which was titled as 'ANTHROPOLOGY OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC' and it was mainly covered by presentation of two renowned Social

Anthropologists, Prof. Mohan K. Gautam (Netherlands) and Prof. Deepak Behera Vice Chancellor, Sambalpur University). Prof. Mohan Gautam gave a comparative analysis of Local and Global Concern in this pandemic time. He also highlighted that ethnicity and social class plays a big role in this pandemic situation. He made a comparative analysis of India with other countries like Europe, France and Japan in this COVID-19 situation. He appreciated other countries in handling the crisis situation as compared to Asian countries. He also emphasized on other issues related to pandemic such as daily labour issue, unemployment allowances and health insurance. He highlighted that a new kind of integration and new definition of citizenship is required for India in which interpersonal cooperation among the people will be increased and COVID-19 led stigma must be eliminated from the society. Prof. Deepak Behera extensively discussed the anthropological dimension of the COVID-19. During his presentation he tried to cover all branches of anthropology including biological and medical anthropology, social anthropology, archaeology, psychological anthropology, anthropology of ageing, anthropology of gender, economic anthropology and fieldwork anthropology. He further explained that the pandemic affected not only the physical mobility of the human being but also affected the socio-cultural aspect of human being.

The second day started with 'Plenary Session-II' which was titled as 'SOCIOLOGY OF COVID-19

PANDEMIC'. This session was followed by a series of presentations by most of the eminent Professors including Prof. B.K.Nagla (M.D University, Rohatak), Prof. Jagan Karade (Secretary, Indian Sociological Society), Prof. Nilika Mehrotra (Jawaharlal Nehru University, NewDelhi) and Prof.Dipti Ranjan Sahoo(Lucknow University, Lucknow). This session was mainly designed to unfold the sociological dimension of COVID-19 in the present situation. During the session, many issues and concerns were highlighted including migration, domestic violence, COVID-19 as a stigma, poverty, role of family as an institution, the concept of new normal, health issues, economic crisis, marriage as an institution, pity of marginalized people, massive use of technology, gender issues, issues of sex worker, issues of Persons with Disabilities, issues of Transgender, and other marginal categories.

The 'Symposium -I was named as 'REVISITING CHALLENGES OF COVID-19'. This was chaired by Prof. Tattwamasi Paltasingh (Sambalpur University, Sambalpur). In the introductory remark, she discussed about issues of migration during the lockdown period. In her deliberation, she focused on migration issues such as inter-state migrant crisis in the cities like Delhi, Mumbai and Surat where maximum number of migrants are from rural areas. In this session all eminent academicians of Odisha including Dr. Bimal Nanda (IGNOU, Raipur), Dr. Bikram Keshari Mishra(Ravenshaw University, Cuttack), Dr.

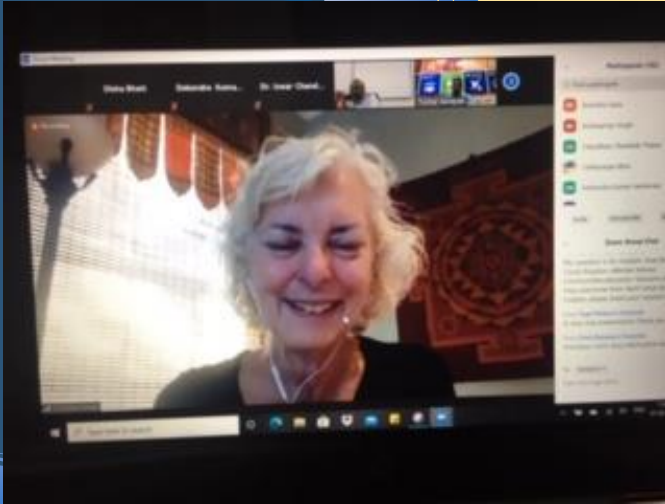
Tanaya Mohanty (Utkal University, Bhubaneswar), Dr. Aditya Mishra (Central University of Odisha, Koraput), Dr. Manosmita Mahapatra (G.M University, Sambalpur), Dr. Vandana Barik (Balasore College, Sovrampur) and Miss. Sasmita Soren (Utkal University, Bhubaneswar) presented their paper, and explored different socio-economic dimensions of COVID-19 and its impact on the socio-cultural life of people in the present context.

The 'Plenary Session –III' addressed on 'CONTEMPORARY ISSUES OF COVID-19 IN ODISHA'. In this session many intellectual Resource persons from inside and outside of Odisha shared their critical observations in relation to COVID-19. In this session eminent academicians including Prof. Navaneeta Rath (Utkal University, Bhubaneswar), Prof. Ananta Kumar Giri (Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai), Dr. Arundati Mohanty (Bhadrak Autonomous College, Bhadrak), Dr. Bibhabari Bal (B.J.B Autonomous College, Bhubaneswar), Dr. James Kindo (Ravenshaw University, Cuttack), Dr. Sagarika Mishra (Vikram Deo College, Koraput), Dr. Kumud Chandra Panigrahi (G.M University, Sambalpur) and Dr. Jayram Singh Samal (Nayagah Autonomous College, Nayagarh) presented their papers. Throughout this session the major issues including role of Ayurvedic medicine, issues of informal economy, concerns of marginal community, issues of health workers in the grassroot level, food security, livelihood, gender

violence, child labour, unemployment, education and issues of migrant workers were extensively discussed in the context of Odisha.

The 'Symposium II' was focused on 'ISSUES OF RESEARCH DURING COVID -19' completely dedicated for the research scholars from all over India. In this session the introductory remark was given by Prof. Marie G. Bage (Utkal University, Bhubaneswar) followed by Dr. Rabindra Garada (Utkal University, Bhubaneswar). In her deliberation Prof. Bage highlighted the relationship between indigenous traditional knowledge and modern knowledge. In addition to this, she discussed some issues and concerns of research scholars while conducting their research work. Followed by Prof. Bage, Dr. Garada highlighted the socio-physical aspects of behavior and changing pattern of interaction during pandemic time. During this session many scholars presented their paper and highlighted some major crisis and challenges of COVID-19 in India. It was a two days successful international webinar covering issues of global, national and local issues related to Covid-19 Pandemic.

**KISS Organizes International Webinar on
“Importance of Tribal Education in India:
Issues and Challenges”**



As a part of its webinar series, the School of Social Services and Administration, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) Deemed to be University organized an International Webinar on ‘Importance of Tribal Education in India: Issues and Challenges’ on 7th August, 2020. The Webinar aimed to discuss issues and challenges facing tribal community’s access to quality education and take a step forward towards SDG – 4; i.e., Quality Education. Eminent academicians and experts in the field from across the world participated in the webinar.

“Education not only is the key to economic development of the tribes, but also empowers them to face the emerging challenges”, remarked the speakers. They expressed happiness that KISS has been relentlessly working to meet the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Prof. Christine Finnan, Chair and Professor of Anthropology, USA, elaborated on international issues in educating the rural indigenous population and presented a comparative picture of India, Australia and the USA. “Vocational training is the strength of KISS”, she said, while appreciating the fact that KISS has succeeded in generating a pan-tribal identity. During her stay at KISS as a Fulbright scholar, she realized that KISS is on the right path and a model for other residential schools to emulate. Prof. Finnan also praised the selfless work of the founder of KISS, Prof. Achyuta Samanta for the last three decades.

Prof. Satya Narayan Munda, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee University, Ranchi threw light on the economic, cultural, traditional and linguistic aspects of tribal communities. He focused on the need for new ways and means of research and training due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Tribal ecosystem is important and glorification of tribal knowledge is the need of the hour”, said Prof. Nagraju Gundemeda, Department of Sociology, Central University, Hyderabad. Stating the tribal population is a victim of state and

geographical isolation, he insisted on the implementation of the three-language formula for their education. Taking cue from the success of North East States language policy for tribal needs to be reformed, Prof. Gundemeda suggested. KISS has done commendable work in the field of tribal education, he added.



Earlier, Prof. Harekrushna Satapathy, Vice-Chancellor, KISS-DU welcomed the distinguished panelists and spoke on the significance of the subject. He highlighted how KISS has been contributing to increase the literacy rate of the tribal population. He stated the reasons for high dropouts elsewhere and shared how KISS has succeeded in creating a platform to deal with the issues.

Dr. Prashanta Kumar Routray, CEO, KISS and Registrar KISS-DU introduced the dignitaries to the virtual gathering. He pointed out the various challenges that are pulling back tribal education. Referring to the New Education Policy 2020, Dr. Routray said that focus should be laid on the neglected sections of the society.

Mr. Tushar Senapati, Dy. Director, KISS-DU, speaking from his personal experience, highlighted some of the myths associated with tribal education and the initiatives taken by KISS. He discussed about the importance of the Mother Tongue Based Multilingual Education programme running at KISS and how the students are deriving benefits from that. In addition to education and vocational training, KISS also lays equal importance on sports and students choose the option that suits them, he added.

The stimulating Webinar was attended by faculty members and research scholars of KISS (DU). Discussion was followed by a question-answer session. Dr. Iswar Naik, Associate Professor and Associate Dean, KISS proposed the vote of thanks.

**KISS Organizes International Webinar on
‘Culture and Society in India: Continuity and
Change in 21st Century’**



KISS Deemed to be University organized an International Webinar on ‘Culture and Society in India: Continuity and Change in the 21st Century’, which was participated by a panel of distinguished

speakers from different parts of the world. Held on the eve of the 74th Independence Day celebration (15th August, 2020), the topic assumed added significance as the level of interest in patterns of continuity and changes in India post-independence has drawn the attention of both Indian and Foreign scholars.

Western social scientists.

Noted speakers from different walks of life presented their insights on the topic at the virtual meet. Traditional demographic and ethnographic accounts of regions or social institutions, often bracketed as cultural and social isolates, have generated attention towards post-independence socio-cultural interrelations, patterns and processes, the experts remarked. Case studies have brought to limelight, time and again, the interrelations by focusing on institutional adaptation to modernizing forces such as – industrialization, urbanization, westernization, sanskritization, political, economic, land and educational reforms, they said.

Prof. Paramjit Singh Judge, President, Sociological Society commenced his talk by referring to the Punjabi diaspora. He said, “We have closely observed the transition of traditional folk songs to contemporary music and there is reflection of castes even in music”. He also cited examples of transnational Punjabi singers and traces of change in them. Prof. Mohan K. Gautam, Former Professor of Anthropology, Netherlands



shared his scholarly thoughts on the Mundari Adivasi Community and highlighted the concept of continuity. He said, “Continuity is only possible through institutionalization and language.” Stating that the work of restoration can be taken care of through identity, he proposed the idea of Santhalization, just like Sanskritization.

“If food habits remain the same and someone desires for a good car, laptop or a smartphone, that does not mean he or she has distanced himself/herself from his or her culture,” said Prof. Sukant Chaudhury, Lucknow University.



He went on to cover the concepts of isolation, ethnicity, inter-tribal and intra-tribal groups and proposed suggestive measures of reviving old culture. In his talk, Prof. Biswajit Ghosh, Burdwan University stated, “By studying caste over a period of time, one can easily understand

the journey of caste from its historical trajectory to recent studies during pandemic”.



He also spoke about the bipolar angle of caste and caste-based politics. “One will see the use of coded language while referring to caste in daily conversations”, he added. The webinar began with the welcome address by Prof. Harekrushna Satapathy, Vice-Chancellor, KISS (DU), who introduced the dignitaries and spoke on the relevance of the topic in the context of KISS. “We are working on transforming the fate and future, retention of culture and heritage of indigenous population, under the leadership of Dr. Achyuta Samanta, the esteemed Founder of KIIT and KISS,” he added.

The deliberations were followed by a question-and-answer session. Dr. Prashanta Kumar Routray, Registrar, KISS (DU) summed up the key points of the panelists and proposed the vote of thanks. The webinar was moderated by Dr. Iswar Chandra Naik, Associate Dean, School of Social Services and Administration, KISS (DU).

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Positioning Migration Studies to Understand the Short and Long-Term Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic



The Centre for Diaspora Studies organised the second international webinar on Positioning Migration Studies to Understand the Short and Long-Term Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic at the Central University of Gujarat (CUG), Gandhinagar, India, in collaboration with five eminent institutions namely the Banaras Hindu University (BHU), CSRD-Jawaharlal Nehru University, IIPS-Mumbai, and IGU-India on 10 and 11 September 2020. This garnered much

interest and the Centre received around 4000 registered participants online from India and different parts of the world.

Dr Atanu Mohapatra, Chairperson, CDS/CUG recounted many government policies and programmes initiated by the Government of India for the benefit of the migrants, immigrants and diaspora who are living in and outside India. Prof. Keshav Mishra, head of the Department of History, (BHU) has emphasised on the importance of history and its involvement in migration studies, particularly during the pandemic like COVID-19. Prof. Milap Punia, Chairperson of CSRD-JNU, New Delhi, drew the attention towards a lack of proper data and their analysis, when it comes to the study of disasters and pandemics in India and also the different ways in which COVID-19 has affected migrants—be it economic, livelihood, food security, other physical and mental difficulties.

COVID-19, Migrants and Challenges to India's Economy

Prof. R.B. Singh (IGU- Secretary-General) recounted the various pandemics that India had previously dealt with and how difficult it is for the country to deal with COVID-19 as it is much more widespread and far-reaching. He looked at the opportunities that can be created from this pandemic in the fields of manufacturing and the need reforms in labour and migration and the importance of focusing on these avenues for the government.

Dr Dnyaneshwar M. Muley (Member NHRC, Delhi) focused on the difficulties that led to the migrant exodus and the need for policy making and government infrastructures to meet sustainable development goals.

H.E. Arun Kumar Sahu (Special Guest, High Commissioner of India to Trinidad and Tobago) touched upon the various difficulties that COVID-19 put in front of nations all over the world and challenged the existing strides made.

Reliability of Migration Data

Prof. James, Director and Senior Professor, IIPS-Mumbai, stated that generally during the outbreak of pandemics, attention is given to mortality studies or health issues. One of the policies, which we need to suggest to Government of India, is that it is important to start counting migrants, which is quite possible, as there are a lot of technological improvements.

Prof. R.B. Bhagat, IIPS-Mumbai, focused on the issues of governance and policymaking about the pandemic. Migrants' connect between two places play a crucial role in developing both the places. He emphasised, how space and place matter in the process of migration and how space and place are changing through human intervention, which can be inclusive or exclusive, or people friendly. Economic and social opportunities with space and time are shaped by the migrants. COVID-19 pandemic has been affecting more largely the short-term migrants those are working in the

urban informal sector and are not the vote banks of the destinations areas.

Vande Bharat Mission and Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Prof Rama Shanker Dubey, Vice Chancellor, CUG, in his presidential address shared on the history of migration from India and Gujarat. He brought attention to the issues of family reunification, students stranded abroad, diaspora and other problems due to the economic slackening because of the pandemic. He also dwelt upon the Government of India's various steps to mitigate the difficulties due to the COVID-19 and to assure the safety and security and livelihood of many Indians in general and particular to migrants living in India and diaspora abroad, through the missions like Vande Bharat Mission and Aatma Nirbhar Bharat or Self-reliant India. Further, he recalled the COVID package of the Honourable Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who announced the roll out of the Rs 20 lakh crore (265 billion USD) for economic reform.

Migration, Diaspora, Remittances and Economy

Prof. Binod Khadria from JNU while speaking on "Understanding Impact of COVID-19 on South Asian Economics through the Lens of Migration" provided an overall view on the South Asian economy and impact of COVID-19. He explained some of the South Asian Countries like Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, The Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, face many problems due to COVID, due to their

stringency levels, lock-down measures and their travel restrictions.

Dr Sonia Plaza, Senior Economist, World Bank, shared about the reduced flow of remittances and how they are drastically affected by COVID-19 and the migrant stock. Dr Plaza suggested that mobile data or social big data might be used, but it is inconsistent and cannot be fully reliable. Prof Anuradha Banerjee from JNU argued on “The Exodus in Times of Pandemic: Mobility, Migration, and Livelihood of Informal Migrant Workers during COVID-19 Crisis in India”. She stressed on internal migrants and their sufferings due to the pandemic and the heightened mobility as a result of the sudden lock-down.

Migration, Diaspora and Pandemic: Historical and Current Scenario

Rajeshwari Chandrasekar, UNICEF, India drew attention to the condition of children of migrants and the pravasi versus desi migrants. Prof Binda Paranjape from BHU stressed on the importance of studying multiple voices and narratives to know the full story of the pandemic. Prof K.C. Das, IIPS-Mumbai, focused on the lack of proper data in India, and especially in the case of COVID-19, migration and diaspora.

Migration and Diaspora Engagement: Best Practices

Prof. Atanu Bhattacharya (SLL&CS/CUG). Prof. M.K. Gautam (University of West and East, The Netherlands) drew attention towards many different diasporas of India and their relationship

with India and how it varies from generation to generation. They also pointed out the paradigmatic shift that is needed and will be needed to study diaspora and migration, especially after the COVID-19 pandemic. Prof S. Irudaya Rajan, Centre for Development Studies (CDS), Kerala, drew attention to migrant engagement by the Indian government and how it failed its migrants. He also highlighted the importance of returnee migrant’s rehabilitation. Prof Anand Singh, University of Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa, described the condition of migrants and diaspora in South Africa. He focused on the Indian diaspora in South Africa during the pandemic. H.E. Arun Kumar Sahu, High Commissioner of India to Trinidad and Tobago spoke about the actions taken by him and the Government of India to repatriate Indian migrants back to India and the issues of inter and intra-governmental organisations.

Migration, Urbanisation and Marginalization

Sajaudeen Chapparban from CDS/CUG highlighted issues faced by internal migrants and refugees in India during the COVID-19 pandemic. Prof. Anisur Rehman, Director-HRDC, JMI argued that the weaker section population benefitted both socially and economically through the migration process.

Prof. Gerise Herndon from Nebraska Wesleyan University, USA, highlighted the existing inequalities and xenophobia in the US and its

treatment to refugees and migrants that were more exposed and vulnerable during the pandemic.

Migration Policies, SDGs and Managing the Future Mobility

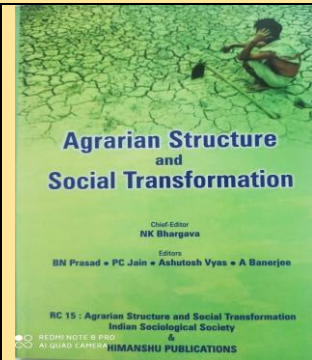
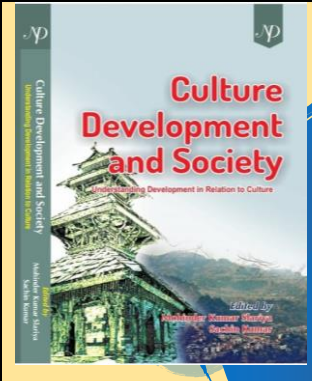
Prof Archana K. Roy, IIPS-Mumbai, shared the challenges to migrant labour in the pandemic and future actions and possibilities. Dr Paiman Ahmed, University of Raiparin, Iraq, focused on the SDG sand migration and poverty, and how they will be affected by the pandemic. Prof. Bhaswati Das, JNU, focused on the movement of migration and labour and the challenges faced during the lockdown.

Priority Areas of Research and Analysis

Prof Rama Shankar Dubey, Vice-Chancellor, CUG, chaired the valedictory session and it was moderated by Prof. Binod Khadria from JNU. Dr. Marie McAuliffe, Head (Migration Research Division) IOM, Chief Editor of World Migration Repot, UN Migration, Geneva, Switzerland, addressed on “COVID-19 and Global Transformations of Migration and Mobility: Initial Reflections and Priority Areas of Research and Analysis”. She said that pandemic is a systematic geo-political event that has transformed migration and mobility systems globally. Initial research and analysis show that the most vulnerable in society are most affected by COVID-19. This includes migrants (including refugees) in different settings. She has broadly categorised COVID-19 impacts on migrants into three: a) Immediate Impacts: by the end of May, the majority of countries globally

continued to have some form of COVID-19-related travel restrictions such as partial international border restrictions, then total restrictions, and internal restrictions (now slightly easing); b) Medium-term Impacts: International remittances are projected to fall by 20 per cent in 2020. COVID-19 has been devastating for millions of migrant workers, many of whom are unable to work due to lock-downs, movement restrictions, or job losses; c) Long-term impacts of COVID-19 include reduced access to education in developing countries, urbanisation, and city-to-city migration will be intensified making cities the centre for global migration and mobility systems, etc.

New Arrivals

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Activities of RC 24, Sociology of Childhood & Youth, Indian Sociological Society (ISS).

International Webinar on “**Children’s Well-being during COVID-19**” organized by RC 24, Sociology of Childhood & Youth, Indian Sociological Society (ISS) in collaboration with Dept. of Sociology, Sister Nivedita University, Kolkata & RC 53 (Sociology of Childhood), International Sociological Association (ISA) on **12.08.2020 at 2pm.**

Theme: Children’s Well-being during COVID-19

Key-note Speaker: Tobia Fattore, Faculty, Dept. of Sociology, Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia

Speakers:

1. Dr. Ilknur Oner, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Dept. of Sociology, Director of Disaster Research & Application Centre, FIRAT University, Elazig, Turkey
2. Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya, Director, School of Inter-disciplinary & Trans-disciplinary Studies, IGNOU, New Delhi
3. Mr. Deep Purkayastha, Director, PRAJAAK, A Non-profit organization for Child Rights & Gender Justice

Moderator: Dr. Bula Bhadra, Professor & Head, Dept. of Sociology, Sister Nivedita University & Secretary RC 53 (Sociology of Childhood), International Sociological Association.

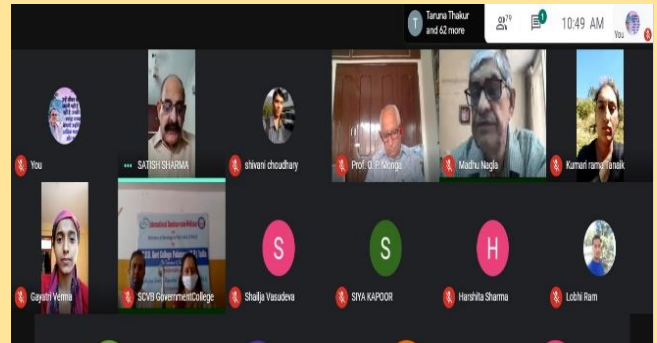
The webinar was interactive and lasted for three hours.

National Educational Policy with participation of Education Minister of the State and VC of the HP University.

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Organised first *International Webinar Series* and notified on 24.8.2020 and the first webinar was organised at SCVB GC College Palampur with title, *Relevance of Sociology in Post-Covid-19 World* on 25-26 September, 2020 on 5 sub-themes and one symposium on the theme. The second webinar was organised at NSCBM Govt. College, Hamirpur from 17-18 October, 2020 on the title, *Expanding Horizons of Sociology: Basin Institutional Changes* on 7 sub-themes with participation from 6 countries, including; *USA, Canada, UK, California, Italy and Kenya* and with considerable number of participations from India and also organised *National Symposium on New*



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