



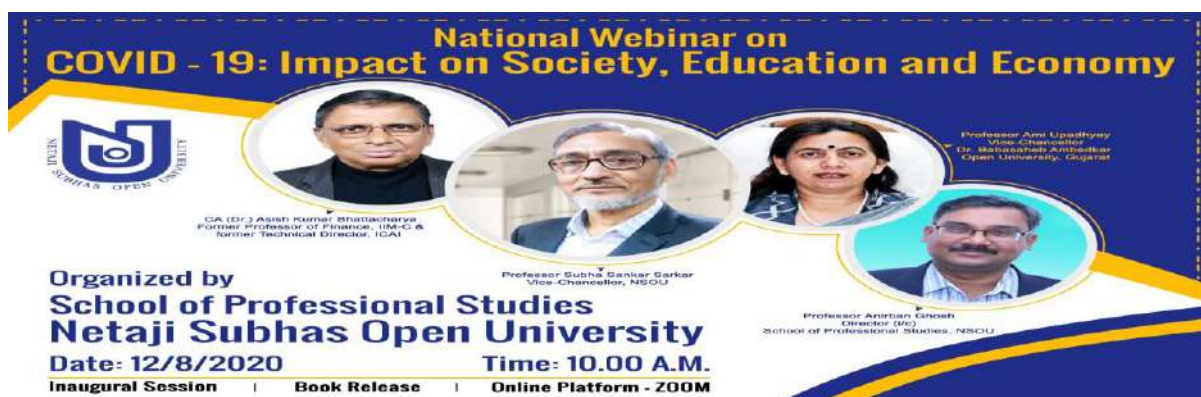
National Webinar on COVID- 19: Impact on Society, Education and Economy

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REPORT

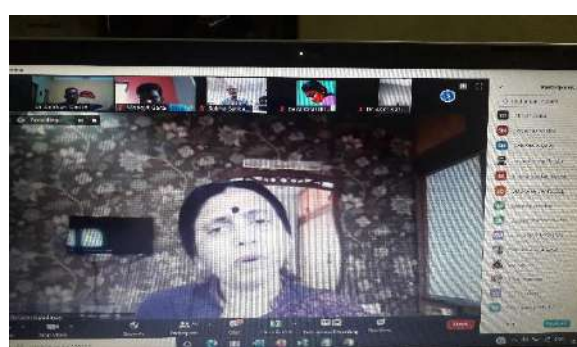
We are in the middle of global COVID-19 pandemic which is indicating two kinds of shocks on countries: a health shock and an economic shock. The outbreak of the COVID- 19 pandemic is an unprecedented shock to the Indian economy leading to massive psycho-social impacts as well. Considering the importance of Covid-19 the School of Professional Studies, Netaji Subhas Open University organized one whole day National Webinar on 12-08-2020. The entire programme of this national webinar was divided into two parts. First part was dealt with Inaugural session and the second part was related to four(04) Technical sessions. 127 participants (Teachers, Researchers, students) from across the country attended the National Webinar.



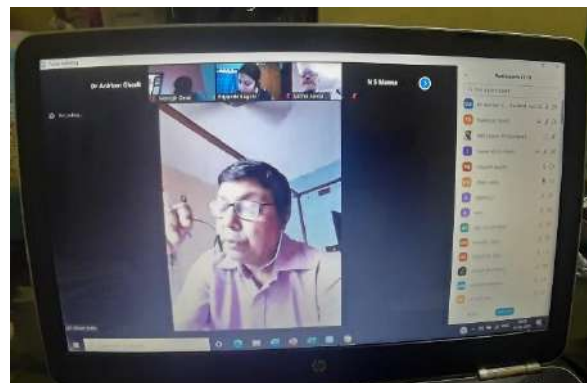
INAUGURAL SESSION

In case of Inaugural session, Professor (Dr) Anirban Ghosh, Director(i/c), School of Professional Studies, NSOU offered a very hearty welcome address and very nicely explained the theme of the topic-“ COVID -19: Impact on Society, Education and Economy” in a very lucid and thought-provoking way. Whenever any task is assigned to Professor (Dr) Anirban Ghosh he does this job efficiently and confidently. Professor Ami Upadhyay, Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr Babasaheb Ambedker Open University, Gujarat in her inaugural address very nicely highlighted that due to pandemic situation a lot of changes have occurred in education, psychology, sociology and economy. Before COVID, ODL was inferior but after COVID, ODL is getting appreciation from various corners. Now education is technology centric but before Covid it was students centric. So teachers are to be trained regarding technology. Very rightly she mentioned that pandemic has made us more human. She has given more emphasis on opening of different online courses. We always feel proud when Professor Asish Kumar Bhattacheryya speaks something on any topic. Dr. Asish Kumar Bhattacheryya, Former Professor of Finance, IIM Kolkata and Founder & MD of Non-linear Insights Pvt Ltd.(OPC) as Key note speaker pointed out that COVID is a natural disaster. He pointed out that corporate sectors are thinking only about permanent workers but not about migrant workers. Migrant workers are absolutely members of industrialization but they are ignored. Naturally corporates are not fulfilling their social responsibilities properly. He mentioned that due to this pandemic

situation gender inequality and income inequality will increase more and these are very alarming. What kind of society we will be getting after the pandemic?



How the people will survive? These are very vital questions Dignity of people is lost due this pandemic. So more impact will be shown on marginalized community. After releasing one edited book-“Understanding India’s New Political Economy & Business: Towards a Rapid Transformation”(Editor Professor (Dr) Anirban Ghosh.) our Hon’ble Vice Chancellor of Netaji Subhas Open University Professor (Dr) Subha Sankar Sarkar in his presidential address very nicely mentioned the need for Webiner in the present day context. He pointed out that at present the blended mode of learning is getting importance. He also highlighted the psychological and ethical aspects of this pandemic situation. Really we are overwhelmed by his presidential address and we always feel proud of him. At the end Smt. Priyanthi Bagchi, Assistant Professor of Economics, NSOU offered a very hearty vote of thanks.



TECHNICAL SESSIONS

Technical Session-I: Impact of COVID-19 on Society

First Technical Session was chaired by Professor (Dr) Uttam Kumar Dutta, Professor of Commerce, School of Professional Studies, NSOU. In this session, Dr Anindita Sen , Associate Professor of Economics, Calcutta University delivered lecture as invited speaker on Impact of Covid -19 on Society. Very nicely and lucidly she discussed different impacts of Covid- 19 on our society. She highlighted the triple down effect of Covid-19 and very rightly pointed out that not only the migrant workers but also the big companies and women are affecting adversely. She also mentioned that the whole structure of our society has scrambled. The entire level of trust has collapsed. She discussed the impact of pandemic on poor, marginal, women and children. Really we have enriched our knowledge by her lecture. In this session, 10(ten) paper presenters presented their papers very nicely and confidently. The entire session was managed and controlled by the session chairman with full of command and cooperative attitude towards academic excellence.

Technical Session-II: Impact of COVID-19 on Education

The impact of pandemic of Covid-19 is observed in every sector around the world. The education sector of India as well as world is badly affected by this. According to a UNESCO report, the pandemic will adversely impact over 290 million students across 22 countries due to closure of schools in the wake of lockdown. Extended school closures will not only weaken the fundamental of our students but it will also lead to loss of human capital as well as economic opportunities in the long run. According to the World Bank, its impact will be profound in countries where education is grappling with low learning outcomes and a high dropout rate. Naturally the second technical session was on “Impacts of Covid-19 on Education”. This session was chaired by Professor Dr. Saikh Salim, Associate Professor of Economics, NSOU. In this session, Professor Swapan Kumar Sarkar, Core Faculty, NSOU delivered his lecture as an invited speaker . Very rightly Professor Sarkar has mentioned that Covid-19 is a great challenge to the educational institutions, students and parents. He believes that digital learning should be the best way to sustain in this pandemic situation and even after that. He has given more emphasis on curriculum, examination procedure, employment problem, teaching-learning process etc. Really the listeners of this webinar have enriched their knowledge by the lecture of Professor Sarkar. In this session, 12(twelve) paper presenters presented their papers very lucidly and confidently. The Chairman of this session concluded the session by giving his own observations. He quoted the statements from Dickenson and very rightly from Kabiguru Rabindranath Tagore. He raised a debatable question. Which one is better? Is it face to face learning or digital learning? All the time the chairman showed his full confidence to manage the session.

Technical Session-III: Impact of COVID-19 on Economy

The outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic is an unprecedented shock to the economy. This shock is playing out in almost a similar manner throughout the world in terms of demand and supply disruptions and the consequent economic slowdown. Around 125 crore youths in the world at present are in problem. In India, around 15 crore migrant workers are jobless. People have no money in their hands. 37 crore casual labours including self-employed have no job at this particular moment. Even in private sector, 40% people have already lost their jobs. National production is below 40% level. As per CMIE report unemployment rate picked at 27.1% in the week ended May 3, 2020. Considering the economic situation the third session was on “Impact of Covid-19 on Economy”. This session was chaired by Dr. Bibekananda Roy Chowdhury, Associate Professor of Economics, NSOU. Being a teacher of Economics very nicely and confidently he offered his observations on this impact on economy. Really he enlightened us by his very good and thought-provoking observations. In this session, 12 (twelve) paper presenters presented their papers lucidly and confidently.

Technical Session -IV

Technical session 4 was chaired by Dr. Asim Kumar Karmakar, Assistant Professor of Economics, NSOU. He always possesses a good command over the subject. He offered his opinion in a very thought-provoking manner. In this session 9(nine) paper presenters presented their papers very nicely, lucidly and with full energy.

In case of all the four (04)technical sessions, Sri Monojit Garai, Asst. Professor, Social Work, NSOU and Smt. Priyanthi Bagchi, Asst. Professor of Economics, NSOU very efficiently acted as session coordinators. They did their jobs with full confidence and energy.

Last but not the least, the School of Professional Studies, NSOU always believes that under the Directorship of Professor .Anirban Ghosh and at the inspiration and encouragement of our Hon’ble Vice Chancellor Professor Subha Sankar Sarkar it would be able to achieve academic excellence and intellectually stimulating environment.

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Programme Schedule

Inaugural Session:

- 10.00am : Welcome Address by Professor Anirban Ghosh, Director(i/c), School of Professional Studies, Netaji Subhas Open University
- 10.05 am : Inaugural Address by Professor Ami Upadhyay, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Gujarat
- 10.20am : Keynote Address by CA (Dr.) Asish Kumar Bhattacharyya, Former Professor of Finance, IIM-C, former Technical Director, ICAI and Founder & MD of Non-linear Insights (OPC) Pvt.Ltd.

Book Release by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, NSOU

- 10.50am : Presidential Address by Professor Subha Sankar Sarkar, Vice-Chancellor, Netaji Subhas Open University
- 11.00am : Vote of Thanks by Smt.Priyanthi Bagchi, Asst. Professor of Economics, Netaji Subhas Open University(NSOU)

Technical Session-1 (11.05am-12.40pm)

Topic: IMPACT OF COVID 19 ON SOCIETY

Chairperson: Professor Uttam Kr. Dutta, Professor of Commerce, NSOU

Invited Lecture: Dr. Anindita Sen, Associate Professor in Economics, CU

Session Coordinator: Sri Monojit Garai, Asst. Professor, Social Work, NSOU

Paper presentation:

- 1. Work From Home Conflict as a Symptom of Inequality Between Men and Women –** Dr. Debjani Chakraborty, Lecturer, Law College, Durgapur, Rahul Foundation.
- 2. Challenges Faced by Children with ASD: Advocacy For Parents Whilst Working From Home Owing To Pandemic –** Sri Prabir Naskar, Assistant Professor of Special Education, School of Education, NSOU.
- 3. Pandemic Disruption: Work from Home and Gender Inequality –** Smt. Jahnabi Devi, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University.
- 4. Impact of Pandemic on Indian Society: Positive or Negative –** Smt. Ruchira Ray, Assistant Professor, Aalipurduar Ashutosh B.Ed College and Banshi Badan Bhowmik, Lecturer, Pragati College of Education, Siliguri
- 5. Impact of COVID-19 on Migrant Workers in India –** Pearl Monteiro, Assistant Professor, V.M. Salgaocar College of Law, Goa.
- 6. Dimensions of Problem during the COVID-19 Crisis: A Study of Migrant Labour –** Dr.Ganeswar Nayak, Assistant Professor of History, F.M. Autonomous College, Balasore
- 7. Impact of COVID – 19 upon mental health of school going children-** Dr.Indrani Ghatak, Assistant Professor, Department of HRM, Xavier Institute of Social Service, Ranchi, Jharkhand

8. **COVID-19 Crisis: Increasing Focus Towards Online Learning** – Dr. Sajoy P.B., Assistant Professor, Post Graduate Research Dept of Commerce, Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Thevara, Kerala
9. **Deepening Digital Divide During the Pandemic** – Smt. Tanusree Aurora, Ph.D Research Scholar, Dept of International Relations, Jadavpur University.
10. **Impact of COVID-19 on The Future of Online Learning** – Dr. Pranab Saikia, Associate Professor in Education, Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University, Guwahati.
11. **E-learning psychological readiness among rural students of India during COVID – 19 lock down situation**—Piyali Sarkar, Research Scholar(Ph.D.) - Dept. of Education, Lovely Professional University and Nimai Sundar Manna, State Coordinator, D.El.Ed. Project, National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), Regional Centre Kolkata .

Technical Session: 2 (12.40pm -2.30pm)

Topic: IMPACT OF COVID 19 ON EDUCATION

Chairperson: Dr. Saikh Salim, Associate Professor in Economics, NSOU

Invited Lecture: Prof. Swapan Kr. Sarkar, Core Faculty, NSOU

Session Coordinator: Sri Monojit Garai, Asst. Professor, Social Work, NSOU

Paper presentation:

1. **Implications of Online Education in COVID-19 Pandemic- A Review** – Smt. Arpita (Banerjee) Mukherjee, Dept Of Botany, Dum Dum Motijheel College.
2. **Reflections in Inclusive Education During COVID-19: With Special Reference to School Education** – Smt. Bhumika Sharma, Ph.D Research Scholar, Dept of Laws, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla.
3. **Impact of COVID-19 on Indian Education System** – Smt. Mousumi Dutta, Assistant Professor, DBMS College of Education.
4. **Digital Education and Assam: A Case Study of KKHSOU** – Dr. Smritishikha Choudhury, Assistant Professor, KKHSOU and Dr. Chayanika Senapati, Asst. Professor, KKHSOU
5. **COVID-19: Impact in Indian Education Sector** – Asifa Munjkhal, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Govt. Degree College, Anantnag (J&K) and Tabasum Ismail, Dept. of Chemistry, Sri Pratap College, J &K.
6. **Impact of COVID-19 on 10+2 Education** – Mr. Suraj Sharma, M.Philstudent, University of Calcutta.
7. **COVID-19: Digital Learning and Higher Education in India** – Dr. Tulika Chakraborty, Assistant Professor of Education, Domkal Girls' College, Murshidabad, West Bengal.
8. **Experiences of Online Teaching During Pandemic: Study on Female Teachers of Greater Guwahati** – Dr.Indrani Deka, Assistant Professor of Sanskrit, Padmanath Gohainbaruah School of Humanities, KKHSOU.

9. **Impact of COVID-19 -Education: An Analysis from Human Rights Perspective** – Smt. Suravi Ghosh, Advocate, Burdwan Dist. and Session Judges’ Court, (Guest) Faculty Member, Dept of Law, University of Burdwan.
10. **COVID-19 and its Effect on Education System in India: Some Challenges** -Piya Sarkar, PhD Scholar, and Sukumar Pal, Asst. Professor, Department of Social Work, Visva–Bharati.
11. **COVID-19: Impact on Indian Education Sector** – Debasis Kumar Dutta, Assistant Teacher, Hossainabad High School, Krishnapur, Lalgola, Murshidabad
12. **The New Normal Teaching-Learning Strategies In Indian Education Sector And It's Substantial Role In Revival From The Socio-Economic Impact Of Covid-19** – Santanu Basu, Assistant Professor of Physics, Calcutta Institute of Technology, Kolkata

Lunch break (2.30pm to 3.00pm)

Technical Session: 3 (3pm to 4.30pm)

Topic: IMPACT OF COVID 19 ON ECONOMY

Chairperson: Dr. Bibekananda Roy Choudhury, Associate Professor in Economics, NSOU

Session Coordinator: Smt. Priyanthi Bagchi, Asst. Professor of Economics, NSOU

Paper presentation:

1. **Tourism Industry Post COVID-19** – Dr. Sudeshna Saha, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work, VisvaBharati.
2. **A Study on Sanitiser Manufacturing by Academic Institutions and Medical Consulting at Hospitals During COVID 19 Pandemic** – Mr. Avishek Roy, Assistant Professor, Department of Business Administration, Dinabandhu Andrews Institute of Technology and Management
3. **COVID-19 and Its Impact on Tourism** – Mr. Rajesh Kumar Sinha, Librarian, South Eastern Railway Boys’ Higher Secondary School, Adra Ministry of Railways, Govt of India
4. **World Post COVID-19: Is it The End of the Road for Globalisation?** - Mr. Shahid Yusuf Khan, Assistant Professor, Department of Management Studies, Aryabhatta Knowledge University, Patna
5. **COVID-19 & Healthcare in India: Less Attention & More Extravaganzas** – Mrs. Priyanthi Bagchi, Assistant Professor of Economics, NSOU and Dr. Asim Karmakar, Assistant Professor of Economics, NSOU
6. **The Corona Clamour: Considerations of Political Economy and Public Policy Addressing Concerns of Domestic Migrant Labourers** – Mr. Debajit Goswami, Assistant Professor of Public Administration, NSOU.

7. **Understanding the Efficacy of The Economic Package in Making India Atmanirbha**– Smt. Simantini Chattopadhyay, Assistant Professor of Economics, Govt. College of Engineering and Textile Technology, Serampore.
8. **Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Indian Economy**- Dr. Swapan Sarkar, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, University of Calcutta
9. **Impact of COVID-19 on Indian Economy and the effectiveness of Government Package – A Challenge Ahead** -Dr.ChhotelalChouhan, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Victoria Institution (College)
- 10.**Impact of Pandemic on Indian Food Processing Industry- A Study**-- Mr. Sankar Das, Assistant Professor, DinabandhuMahavidyalaya, Bongaon and Dr.Bappaditya Biswas, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, University of Calcutta.
- 11.**Effects of COVID – 19 Pandemic on the Rural Economy in India** – Mr. Krunal Gopalbhai Patel, Research Scholar, University School of Law, Gujarat University, Ahmedabad.
- 12.**Adverse impact of COVID-19 coronavirus induced lockdown in capture fishery and fish farming sectors in West Bengal - A review** -Subrato Ghosh, Fishery Extension Officer, Directorate of Fisheries, GoWB

Technical Session: 4 (4.30pm to 5.45pm)

Chairperson: Dr.Asim K. Karmakar, Asst. Professor in Economics, NSOU

Session Coordinator: Smt. Priyanthi Bagchi, Asst. Professor, Economics, NSOU

Paper presentation:

1. **Impact of Evolving Education 4.0 in Indian Education Sector during COVID-19 Pandemic** – Tuhin Patra, Student of M.A. in Education, School of Education, NSOU.
2. **Impact of COVID-19 on Unorganized Sector and Migrant Workers in India: A Review** - Sarbajit Chaudhuri, Jr. Superintendent, Store, Netaji Subhas Open University
3. **COVID-19: Impact and Vulnerability of Migrant Workers in India** – Sheuli Dutta, Masters in Social Work
4. **Importance of Digital Platform the Present Scenario in COVID-19**– Mrs. Mitali Sarkar
5. **An Impact of COVID-19 on Informal and Migrant Workers: In the Context of Indian Rural Economy** – Neelanjana Dhar, Student, M.A, Geography, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata.
6. **Importance of Digital Platform in Present Scenario** – Deva Dharshini K, 3rd Year, B.A. LL.B, Chennai Dr. Ambedkar Govt Law College, Pudupakkam, Chengalpattu.

7. **Impact of COVID-19 on the Migrant Workers in India** – Meyyappan Kumaran S, LLM Student of Business Law, The Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University, School of Excellence in Law.
8. **Impact of COVID-19 on the Legal System** - Sheba Rivy Simon, Student, Master of Law, NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad and Adv. P.K. Reshma (Advocate), High Court of Kerala
9. **Impact of the Pandemic on the Migrant Workers in India**-- Sandip Ghosh, Assistant Teacher and Student of NSOU

Concluding Remarks: Professor Uttam Kr. Dutta

Vote of thanks: Sri Monojit Garai

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