

NATIONAL VIRTUAL SYMPOSIUM III

(FOLLOWED BY CALL FOR PAPERS FOR AN EDITED BOOK ON)

SOCIETY, ECONOMY AND DEVELOPMENT DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC: LESSONS FOR EMERGING ECONOMIES

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About the Previous Symposiums

This symposium is a follow-up of the International Virtual Symposium (IVS) on Pandemics, Climate Change and Growing Inequality: Emerging Paradigm Shift in Helping Professions organized on 28.08.2020 in which seven resource persons across the globe enriched hundreds of scholars, faculty members and practitioners and the National Virtual Symposium II (NVS-II) on Informality, New Forms of Work, Labour Concerns of the Pandemic: Evolving Strategies for Helping Professions organized on 12.09.2020 in which four resource persons from premier institutions of the country enlightened the participants from 33 universities and 43 colleges on the plight of the informal sector. The symposiums were jointly organized by the Department of Social Work, Central University of Tamilnadu, Thiruvavur, Department of Social Work, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore and Centre for Applied Research, Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram.

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The Context

The world today is battling the biggest disaster of the 21st century - COVID-19 which has infected over 29 million individuals globally and led to fatalities surpassing nine hundred thousand. Though it appears to be a health crisis on a superficial level it is a multidimensional crisis with far-reaching consequences on society, economy and development. Despite the universality of the crisis the implications are varied for different countries depending on economy, health infrastructure, socio-political factors and the like. This in turn has reflected in their responses to the pandemic where a few have fared well and some have catastrophically failed. The challenges are projected to be much severe for the Emerging Economies with large populations, inadequate health infrastructure, economic instability and inequalities. International bodies such as World Bank, ILO and UN have predicted the socio-economic consequences of the pandemic for the emerging economies in terms of poverty, increasing unemployment, gender inequality and issues affecting the vulnerable groups. This scenario makes it inevitable to analyze the responses of those countries that have successfully managed the challenges and build effective strategies for the future based on the lessons learnt.

The Projects

The proposed projects/ initiatives are synergistic intellectual responses addressing issues in the context mentioned above. The international virtual symposium aims to expose the problems, explore the responses, and endeavor to identify new emerging paradigms. The Book project is a continuation of this symposium and it invites the intellectual community (both academic/ practitioners) to reflect upon the reality, consider impacts and come up with innovative solutions. This will eventually culminate into research collaborations and create joint researches with trans or inter-disciplinary approaches

Objectives

- ◆ To examine the repercussions of Pandemic Crisis on Society, Economy and Development in Emerging Economies
- ◆ To understand the social, economic and political dynamics of pandemics
- ◆ To comprehend the interconnection between pandemic, economy and development
- ◆ To analyze the policy and institutional responses to the pandemic crisis
- ◆ To explore the initiatives of national, state and local governments.
- ◆ To highlight the problems of vulnerable groups namely frontline workers, children, women, elderly, persons with disabilities, prisoners, refugees , homeless and migrant populations

Organizing Institutions

The Key Organizing Institutions are:

Department of Social Work, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India

The primary focus of the department is to build the capacities of young graduates on the threshold of fruitful careers in social work. The focus of our efforts has been on a synergy of theory and practice with both components receiving equal importance in moulding the personality of the students.

<https://www.b-u.ac.in/Home/DeptSocialWorkAbout>

Department of Social Work, School of Social Sciences and Humanities, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvavur-05, Tamil Nadu, India

Established in 2013 to provide professional training in the discipline of Social Work. The Department offers a regular two years fulltime postgraduate programme in Social Work, titled as Master of Social Work (MSW). Currently the Department offers three specializations: (i) Medical & Psychiatric Social Work, (ii) Community Development, and (iii) Human Resource and Labour Management

<https://cutn.ac.in/social-work/>

Centre for Applied Research, Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram, Tamil Nadu, India

Established in 1976 under the Faculty of Rural Development plays a key role in enabling the Institute to achieve its overall objective of rural development by promoting interdisciplinary, problem solving and development research.

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Broad Themes

The Broad themes of this book project are:

Society, Economy and Development during Covid-19 Crisis: Lessons for Emerging Economies

Sub-Themes

- Social determinants of health and pandemics
- Demographic, economic and social implications
- Health disparities emerging from social disadvantage
- Uniformity in pandemic responses
- Pandemic and families
- Success models and catastrophic failures in pandemic response
- Implications of uniform standards amidst diversities
- Lockdown and human rights
- Mental Health issues
- Social Inequalities and Social injustice during lockdown
- Economic implications
- Education: Threats and Opportunities
- Gender issues
- Covid19 response strategies-Rural-Urban Contrast
- The vision of the governments
- Covid 19 and India's SDGs
- The great India lockdown- critical analysis
- Government Policies and Schemes
- Impacts on Vulnerable Groups: Children, Women, Aged, Marginalized, Persons with Disabilities, Refugees, Incarcerated etc.
- Media during Pandemic
- Challenges to development
- Non-Profits during pandemic

Full Length Paper Submission

Final and completed papers may be submitted after the abstracts have been accepted by the editors. A few guidelines are in place at the time of submission:

- The paper should be written in English (UK) and should not exceed 6000 words.
- It should be original, unpublished, and should not have been copyrighted. It should not have been presented or accepted for presentation at professional meetings and should not be currently under review for presentation at other professional meetings. A declaration to this effect must accompany the final paper, which must include ethical responsibilities and Standards as well.
- The manuscript should include a separate page containing the following in the order mentioned: title, authors, affiliation, abstract, keywords, main text, acknowledgements, appendix and references.
- The title page should be concise and informative and should include: the name(s) of the author(s), institutional affiliation(s), addresses of the author(s), E-mail, contact address, and telephone number(s) of the corresponding author.
- Authors are requested to submit a Camera-ready paper following the prescribed guidelines (see below).
- Authors should take responsibility of Content-Editing, Grammar-check, Proof-reading, formatting etc.
- The completed paper may be submitted in Microsoft Word (doc format only) on or before 25 October 2020 via email to lovelinabu@gmail.com

The manuscript preparation should be adhered to while preparing the final paper:

Text Formatting

Manuscripts should be submitted in Word.

Use a normal, plain font (e.g., 10-point Times Roman) for text.

Use italics for emphasis.

Use the automatic page numbering function to number the pages.

Do not use field functions.

Use tab stops or other commands for indents, not the space bar.

Use the table function, not spreadsheets, to make tables.

Use the equation editor or MathType for equations.

Save your file in docx format (Word 2007 or higher) or doc format (older Word versions).

Manuscripts with mathematical content can also be submitted in LaTeX.

Tables should be editable in Microsoft Word easily, i.e., they should NOT be in picture format. Table titles should be concise and exactly to explain what the table shows

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Joint Research Projects

- ◆ Expression of Interest (EOI) for Joint Research projects are welcome after the National Virtual Symposium III on 10th October 2020.
- ◆ Welcoming new vistas of exploration, especially with regard to **Society, Economy and Development during Covid-19 Crisis: Lessons for Emerging Economies**, the joint research projects could be multi/trans disciplinary, aimed either at short term or long-term projects.
- ◆ Submission of actual proposals will be announced in due time after the expression of interest.
- ◆ Individuals or institutions willing to collaborate with the organizers can send in their queries on or before **10 Dec 2020** to lovelinabu@gmail.com

Expected Outcome

The expected outcome of all these above three exercises will be:

- ♣ A deeper understanding of the reality Society, Economy and Development during Covid-19 Crisis: Lessons for Emerging Economies.
- ♣ A better comprehension into the causes and consequences of the pandemics and its recovery, mitigation, response and preparation.
- ♣ A revisit of existing datasets and a redefinition of relevant methodologies
- ♣ An exploration of facilitating better access to online resources and exploring culturally relevant approach to the issues studied thus so far.
- ♣ A reassessment of the quality of our current responses, works, etc. and a better collaboration with the multi-stakeholders.
- ♣ A strengthening of community-based crisis risk management strategies, and a better understanding of connecting the dots.

IMPORTANT DATES

Virtual Symposium: 10th October 2020

Last date for receiving abstracts and authors short biography: 20th October 2020

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