

CALL FOR PAPERS

(Please note: deadline has been extended till June 20, 2020)

Department of Human Rights and Department of Sociology,
Loreto College (Kolkata)



The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has quickly spread across the world in a matter of months. In India, while the numbers are soaring, various agencies of the government, researchers and practitioners are providing us with guidelines to flatten the curve and thereby control the spread of this virus. The pandemic is provoking numerous questions at all levels. It also shows that modern society is extremely vulnerable and unprepared for such events.

This call for paper seeks manuscripts that highlight the '*Social Impact of the Novel Coronavirus*'. Studies can focus on local, state, national, and/or cross-national reactions to grapple with the pandemic.

Areas of interest include, but are not limited to, the following topics:

- Social distancing and potential exposure among vulnerable populations (homeless persons, disabled individuals, the elderly, street children, migrant labourers, etc.)
- Economic and labour-market consequences of COVID-19
- Rising number of domestic violence
- Incidents of intensifying untouchability
- Livelihood of the transgender community
- Role reversal for women at household domain during the lockdown
- Female workforce belonging to the unorganized sector

Submission Guidelines and Details:

The paper must primarily focus on highlighting the current conditions of the selected topic; possible suggestions for arrangements and illustrated with the help of Case Study. Prospective contributors MUST rely on secondary data and preliminary observations only. There will be **zero tolerance towards plagiarism**; include appropriate citations. Contributors can submit papers individually or in a group of 2-3, mentioning each contributors name and department clearly.

Prospective contributors should submit a paper of 1,500 words, inclusive of supplemental materials (such as tables, figures, references, etc.). Text must be in 12-point, Times New Roman font, and all submissions must include 1-inch margins on all four sides, with pages numbered sequentially at the bottom center. Submissions should be prepared using the APA Style Guide. The papers will be sent to the jury for review and upon selection best papers will be published in the College e-Journal.

Proposed paper submissions should be mailed as a single PDF and received no later than 5 pm on **June 20, 2020** to loretocollegehrsocio@gmail.com.

For more information and queries related to the call for papers, please contact Ms. Druhi Dasgupta (Department of Human Rights) and Ms. Sreya Sen (Department of Sociology) at the above-mentioned email address.

Learning objectives:

Students from all years (Loreto College only) were invited to undertake a research study based on secondary data collection on themes highlighting the social impact of COVID-19 cutting across vulnerable sections of our society. Papers were encouraged on studies focusing on local, state, national, and/or cross-national reactions to grapple with the pandemic.

The overall objective was to encourage students to think critically of the social impact of COVID-19 and be able to express it in the form of a research paper. The co-organizers wanted the students to learn some of the steps of preparing a research paper through this endeavor. And also understand how this is different from an assignment.

Learning outcomes:

The co-organizers received a total of 12 papers that had both single-authored and co-authored (not more than 03 authors) papers. The final selection of three best papers was done by esteemed Jury Members from our college.

Some of the themes that students submitted their papers included Economic and labour-market consequences of COVID-19; Rising number of domestic violence; Livelihood of the transgender community; Social distancing and potential exposure among vulnerable populations (homeless persons, disabled individuals, the elderly, street children, migrant labourers, etc.) and Female workforce belonging to the unorganized sector.

Students who had written the three best papers were taught the nuances of writing and formatting a research paper through several virtual meetings. The three best papers were included in the College e-Journal.

CALL FOR POSTERS

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This call for posters seeks your creative contribution that highlights **Coronavirus (COVID-19) and Society**.

Areas of interest include, but are not limited to, the following topics:

- Rising incidence of violence against women and children at home
- Cyber-crimes against young boys and girls
- Salutation to Covid-19 Frontline Warriors (doctors, nurses, police, teachers, and other volunteers)

Submission Guidelines and Details:

Prospective contributors should submit a poster creatively prepared without the use of the computer or any software. The poster can be prepared in the following manner: pencil shading; watercolour painting; or using pastel shades. Each poster must have a selected topic mentioned. Posters should be prepared on Chart paper (or A-4 Size sheet) and a scanned image should be submitted for consideration of the jury. Upon selection, the best posters will be published in the College e-Journal.

Please note: Each Poster MUST have 1-2 lines SLOGAN mentioned in English, Bengali or Hindi language.

Proposed poster submissions should be mailed as a PDF and received no later than 5 pm on **June 10, 2020** to loretocollegehrsocio@gmail.com.

For more information and queries related to the call for posters, please contact Ms. Druhi Dasgupta (Department of Human Rights) and Ms. Sreya Sen (Department of Sociology) at the above-mentioned email address.

Learning objectives:

Students from all years (Loreto College only) were invited to design posters highlighting COVID-19 and its impact on society. Prospective contributors were asked to submit posters either in pencil shading format; pastel shade format; or water colour format. Students were encouraged to send entries on the following themes:

- Rising incidence of violence against women and children at home;
- Cyber-crimes against young boys and girls;
- Salutation to Covid-19 Frontline Warriors (doctors, nurses, police, teachers, and other volunteers)

The overall objective was to encourage students to think critically of the social impact of COVID-19 and be able to express it in the form of a creative poster.

Learning outcomes:

The co-organizers received a total of 17 posters that included posters prepared by students individually and jointly. The final selection of four best posters was done by esteemed Jury Members from our college.

Some of the themes that most students submitted their posters included Rising incidence of violence against women and children at home; and Salutation to Covid-19 Frontline Warriors (doctors, nurses, police, teachers, and other volunteers).

The creative and thoughtful expression of students was commendable. The four best posters were included in the College e-Journal.

INTERDISCIPLINARY WEBINAR

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DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION, HUMAN RIGHTS
AND SOCIOLOGY

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OUT OF THE SHADOWS : CONFRONTING ABUSE OF CHILDREN AND WOMEN



Dr. Ruchira Goswami
Assistant Professor
School of Social Sciences,
NUJS, Kolkata



Ms. Monalisa Saha
Assistant Professor of Law
Burdwan University

OCTOBER 15, 2020 || 4 PM

Learning objectives:

The objective of this Webinar for students of the Departments of Education, Human Rights and Sociology (Loreto College only) was to provide them a platform to address issues ranging from gender discrimination, recognize, respond and report to allegations of women and child abuse or neglect. Advocating the need to build a safe environment the Webinar attempts to outline how it is important to provide the appropriate modes of detection, intervention and redressal mechanisms to prevent abuse and ensure protection and empowerment of children and women.

Learning outcomes:

The resources persons through their deliberations facilitated all the participants both students and teachers to acquire an experiential understanding of the various forms of abuse that children and women can be subjected to. This made each one conscious of their rights and of the different redressal mechanisms. In the second part of the Webinar a detailed PowerPoint presentation prepared by the students from the Departments of Education, Human Rights and Sociology on several issues focusing on the theme of the Webinar was showcased.



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Loreto College, Kolkata
(IQAC approved)

Sociology's History: Why 'Origin' Matters?

January 19,
2021
(Tuesday)
3-4 PM
Google Meet



Registration Link:
<https://www.loretocollege.in/webinar21/>

Rakesh M. Krishnan

Independent historical sociologist based in Pune, and former lecturer in Economics and Sociology.

* This Web-talk is for the Sociology students of Loreto College only.

Learning objectives:

The objective of this Sociology Web-talk was to illustrate the necessity to study the history of the discipline before the students. Thereby to enable an understanding of the present and future trajectories, and configurations of Sociology. Through this overview of history of Sociology students are encouraged to understand why what happens in Sociology.

Learning outcomes:

Our invited speaker Mr. Rakesh M. Krishnan addressed the Loreto College students who are attending as well as have attended Sociology Elective courses in the last two years. Around 87 students had registered for the Web-talk, out of that we saw a turnout of 70 students on the day of the presentation. The students were made aware of the historical background of the discipline of Sociology through this Web-talk. This helped them understand the foundation of the disciplines in a much detailed way beyond the purview of the course. They were also introduced to the Southern Theory approach as an alternative way of looking at the history of the discipline.