



# Annual Report 2022-2023



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## **Advisory Committee**

Advisory Committee of the Centre is the highest decision-making body. It is headed by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor with the Director, CGS as its ex-officio Member Secretary.

The Advisory Committee presently has four external members, four internal members from University Departments/Colleges besides three Fellow Members nominated by the Fellow Council.

### **(a) External Members**

- (i) Dr Jigar Inamdar, M S University of Baroda, Gujarat
- (ii) Professor Dhananjay Joshi, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, New Delhi
- (iii) Professor Sushma Yadav, Member, University Grants Commission, New Delhi
- (iv) Professor Pawan Kumar Sharma, Chaudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh

### **(b) Internal Members (from University Departments/Colleges)**

- (i) Prof Sangit Kumar Ragi, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi.
- (ii) Prof Sanjeev Kumar Tiwari, Maharaja Agrasen College, University of Delhi.
- (iii) Prof Himanshu Roy, Department of Political Science, Deendayal Upadhyaya College, University of Delhi.
- (iv) Dr Neena Bansal, Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi.

### **(c) Fellow Members**

- (i) Dr Ramesh Bhardwaj, Joint Director, CGS
- (ii) Dr Bhuwan Kumar Jha, Deputy Director, CGS
- (iii) Dr Mahesh Kaushik, Fellow, CGS

**From Pratham Sevak**



**Prof Sunil K Choudhary**  
**Director**

With the settling down of the nation and the world in the aftermath of the Covid pandemic, the nation embarked on the path of development and good governance by harnessing the potentials of the nationals both in India and abroad. Amidst the global changes and challenges, the Centre undertook various activities and events, projects and programs, lectures and workshops by highlighting discussions and discourses on contemporary issues during the academic year 2022-23. The students and scholars, fellows and faculty remained the basis and faces of the new march of the Centre towards changing global academic horizons.

The past eight years have witnessed the Centre emerging as a competitive research hub in the discipline of social sciences through its regular as well as periodical Monthly Lectures, Special Lectures, Interactive Discourses, Workshops, Seminars and Conferences in addition to regularity in its publications, viz., Monthly Hindi Magazine, *Sanshleshan* and Bi-annual English Journal, *GlobaLense: A Journal of Social Science Research*. The Centre is privileged to get the RNI for both its Magazine and Journal from the Government of India during the current academic year too. The successful completion of Samiksha: Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat along with the three North Eastern States-Tripura, Meghalaya and Nagaland Assembly Elections' Surveys during the academic year with its apt electoral results has also attempted to give us a niche as a leading psephological Centre in the country.

Steering, sustaining and strengthening our academic journey to remain as a vibrant research Center in the competitive national and global world has been the cherishing desire of all of us.

The collective efforts of the CGS Parivar would facilitate our onward endeavors towards accomplishing the vision and mission of a New Self-Reliant Academia.

## About the Centre

The Centre for Global Studies, earlier known as Developing Countries Research Centre (dcrc) was set up by the University of Delhi on 20 April 1993 under the Board of Interdisciplinary Program through Ordinance XV-A. The academic space so created soon became a hub for teachers, students and researchers engaged in researching developing societies of Asia, Africa and Latin America. The year 2004 was a historic moment in the life of dcrc. Vide Ordinance XX (9) acquired the status of a constituent of the Faculty of Social Sciences, though it was formally inaugurated by Professor G. Ram Reddy, Chairperson, UGC, on 5 August 1994. It was supported by the UGC during initial years.

In pursuit of its objectives, the Centre has organized seminars and conferences both at national and international level. At times it has organized events in collaboration with prestigious institutions such as the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, AKUT Group of Uppsala University (Sweden), Max Mueller Bhavan, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), Aligarh Muslim University, International History Congress, V.V. Giri National Labour Institute, Central Social Welfare Board, Women's Studies and Development Centre, Planning Commission, Institute for Human Development, DESTIN of the London School of Economics and Political Science, DFID, Japan Foundation, Vidyajyoti and the constituent colleges of the University of Delhi.

The Centre aims to produce a body of knowledge that confronts and conceptualizes issues of the postcolonial world and encourages scholars to problematize them further. Scholars from across the board, such as Political Science, Economics, Sociology, History, Geography, Education, Philosophy, Psychology, Literature, Film and Media Studies have been involved in this effort. The main objective is to thematize knowledge so gained and critically engage students with such insights while teaching at the undergraduate and postgraduate level in the vast network of Delhi University. Above all, the objective is to build CGS as a Centre that can act as a springboard of critical and creative theory.

The Centre ensures criticality and creativity in its academic work by entailing two key things in the main. It structures its academic activity in a way that builds an interface between inputs gathered from academics and grassroot activists, which turn out to be a critical laboratory of testifying knowledge for both, theory and practice. The other key aspect is that the Centre encourages scholars to adopt methods of academic engagement that rescue disorientations in knowledge production, which generally occur while studying developing societies from the dominant paradigms of the West. The larger endeavour is to have an alternative world-view of how to look at issues related to culture, nationalism, gender, sexuality, religious minorities and other narratives.

The Centre acquired a new currency with Prof Sunil K Choudhary at the helm of affairs as Director since July 2015. A Gold Medalist from the University of Delhi and recipient of several awards and accolades,

including the very prestigious the 'Global South Award 2014', Prof Choudhary has set examples of high moral standard and probity in academic and public life for Fellows of the Centre. As he rightly calls himself 'Pratham Sevak', Prof Choudhary has been able to inculcate in all a spirit of togetherness, so characteristic of a 'Parivar'.

The Centre has six committees headed by fellow conveners. Some of the committees are: Purchase, Seminars/Conferences, Library, Website, Gender Sensitization and Printing/Publication. The Advisory Committee headed by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor is the apex decision making body of the Centre, while the Fellow Council and Research Committee are meant for discussing various issues of academic interest. All the fellows are members of these committees. The fellows and conveners meet regularly in their respective committees and contribute to the corporate life of the Centre. The Fellow Council meets on the 14th date of every month. The Fellow Council discussion is preceded by an academic discourse covering issues of contemporary relevance. For all research related decisions, the Centre has the Research Committee which meets quarterly to discuss, deliberate and decide on the research issues.

With much efforts and pursuance by the director of the esteemed centre, the University of Delhi in its notification dated 14 September 2021 vide Executive Council Resolution No. 8-6 has changed the nomenclature of Developing Countries Research Centre [drcrc] as **Centre for Global Studies [CGS]**. The Centre for Global Studies has now expanded and extended its horizons from developing to the developed world, Western to the Eastern societies, theoretical to the empirical investigations, and selected research domain to all comprehensive, inter-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary research tasks, themes and theorizations.

### **Fellows and Office Bearers**

The Centre has at present 12 Fellows/Associates including a Joint Director and a Deputy Director. All the fellows of the Centre hail from various social science disciplines and sub-disciplines and have been selected through an open, democratic and transparent process.

### **Dr Ramesh Kumar Bhardwaj, Joint Director**



Dr Ramesh Bhardwaj is the Head of the Department of Political Science & History at Government P. G. College, Sheopur, Madhya Pradesh. His areas of specialization are Indian Government and Politics and Human Rights Studies. He has to his credit number of books and published papers in national and international journals. Some of his publications include Human Rights in South Africa, 2013; Bhartiya Sansadiy Loktantra, Bhrashtachar, evam Kala Dhan: Ek Chunouti, (Edited Book), 2012; Global Environment: Issues and Problems, (Ed-

ited Book), 2011. He is the editor of Shodh Samidha Research Journal Govt P.G. College (Lead), Sheopur (M.P.). He has also headed number of research projects like 'Role of Governmental Organizations in Restoration of Socio-Economic Human Rights of Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribes: A Study of Sheopur District, M.P.(India); 'A Comparative Study of I.H.R.C. & S.A.H.R.C'.

#### **Dr Bhuwan Kumar Jha, Deputy Director**



Dr Bhuwan Kumar Jha is Fellow, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library and teaches at the Department of History, Satyawati College, University of Delhi.

He authored the book on the history of Central Reserve Police Force title-Nation First: 82 Years of Glorious Service to the Nation 1939-2020, Rupa Publications, New Delhi, 2021 (ISBN: 10987654321), p.413. He also Co-authored the book-Hindu Nationalism in India: Ideology and Politics, Routledge, Oxon and New York, 2020, ISBN: 978-0-367-25332-5 (hbk), 978-0-429-28772-0 (ebk).

Some of his other contributions included 'Hindu Mahasabha, Congress and the Buddhists in late Colonial India: The question of the Bodh Gaya Temple' in The Maha Bodhi, Vol.128, December 2020, pp.107-118 (ISSN: 0025-0406); 'Nehru Report, Muslim demands and the Hindu Mahasabha: Elusive Consensus on Future Constitution' in Indian Journal of Public Administration, Vol.64, No.4, December 2020, pp.534-551 (ISSN: 0019-5561, eISSN: 2457-0222); 'Role of Sardar Patel in Freedom Struggle', in the online course on Life, Philosophy and Legacy of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Centre for Online Courses, IGNOU, 2020.

He also delivered two online lectures as Visiting Professor in the Department of Social Sciences Education, Faculty of Social Sciences, Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta (Yogyakarta State University), Yogyakarta, Indonesia on topics: 'Teaching Social Studies in schools in India: Content and Pedagogy' (17 November 2020); and 'Social Science Textbooks in India: Policy and Practice' (19 November 2020).

Some of his other delivered lectures included 'Leave Rules in Educational Institutions' organized by JNU-HRDC in the Faculty Induction Programme (5 October-31 October 2020) on 14 October 2020; 'The Gandhian legacy of Satyagraha and Sarvodaya' organized by ICHR, New Delhi on 2 October 2020; 'सत्याग्रह और सर्वोदय में गाँधी और विनोबा भावे' organized by Regional Outreach Bureau, Patna, Ministry of I&B, Government of India, 2 October 2020; 'Madan Mohan Malaviya in Legislative Politics' in the Webinar organized by the Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, 14 August 2020; 'Resurgence of Sanatan Dharma in Colonial India: the Role of Din Dayalu Sharma and Madan Mohan Malaviya' in the International Webinar on 'Global Well-Being and the Tenets of Ancient Indian Traditions with Reference to Buddhism', 9-11 July 2020, organized by Gautam Buddha University, NOIDA; 'Malaviya's Ideas on Education: The Founding of the Banaras Hindu University' in the online 'History of Education Research Conference' organized by the

International Centre for Historical Research in Education (ICHRE), UK, 9 July 2020; 'Research Methods in Humanities and Social Sciences: Emerging Trends and Context', JNU organized jointly by Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, SIS (JNU) and Shodh Samvad Research Forum on 10-11 January 2020;

He also prepared two modules online Annual Refresher Programme in Teaching (ARPIT) in History, UGC, conducted by JNU Human Resources Centre, December 2020-March 2021. Modules were (i) Madan Mohan Malaviya: Ideas on Dharma and Hindu Sangathan, and (ii) Madan Mohan Malaviya: Role in Indian national movement.

### **Prof Kaushal Kumar Sharma**



Prof Kaushal Kumar Sharma is formerly Chief Proctor in Jawaharlal Nehru University and Honorary Director, Northern Regional Centre (NRC), Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). He has worked as Colombo Plan Teacher at Sherubtse College, Bhutan. He is deeply involved in agricultural transformation and rural development, women empowerment, Panchyati raj Institution, geo-hazards earthquake & landslide, floods mapping (Micro-zonation) and database management for natural hazards. He has a Major Research Project for 10 Years on 'Ecological Restoration and Socio-economic Empowerment of Rural Communities for Sustainable Livelihood and Resource Management in Uttarakhand' covering 19 Villages and 14,000 population. He has written three books and published many articles in leading journals. He is national expert on training on CSR Policy. Currently, Prof Kaushal Kumar Sharma is the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, JNU, New Delhi.

### **Dr Manila Narzary**



Dr Manila Narzary is a Senior Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science in Kalindi College, University of Delhi. She has completed her M.Phil. on 'UN Peace Keeping Mission in Sierra Leone: Focus on UNAMSIL', and Ph.D. on topic 'Constitutional Development in Egypt (1991-2014): Towards Democracy and Good Governance' from Department of African Studies, University of Delhi. Her areas of interest include International Relations, Constitution and Governance. She is presently convener of North-East Students' cell and convener criteria V, NAAC report of Kalindi College.

She is also member of various academic, and co-curriculum committees of the college. She had been a project convener of ICSSR sponsored two days International Seminar on 'Glocalization' and Federal Governance in India: Understanding the Emerging Issues, organized by Kalindi College from 19 and 20 January 2017.

Her publications include a book titled 'Sierra Leone Peace Keeping Mission, 1991-2004' in the year 2014, and two chapters titled 'Concept of Good Governance' and 'Citizens, their Rights Obligations', in the book (ed.) titled- Citizenship and Governance (2014) and two articles, 'Bodo Ethnic Movement: A Retrospect' (2015) and 'Non Aligned Movement and Egypt' (2014), in the non-refereed journal NAM Today, and 'Political rights of women in Egypt' (2015), in the UGC Approved Journal, Indian Journal of African Studies, University of Delhi.

### Dr Sandhya Verma



Dr Sandhya Verma is an Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science in Shyamlal College Evening, University of Delhi. She has been teaching for over 24 years. She is a PhD in Indian Politics. Her areas of specialization and interest are: Indian Government and Politics, Comparative Politics, Western Political Philosophy and Gender Studies. She has number of publications in her area of interest. She is presently working on 'A Case Study of Indian Maids: Is Economic Independence and Freedom a Myth or Truth'.

Apart from this, she has successfully performed the role of Coordinator in all the "Samiksha" election surveys conducted under the aegis of the Global Studies Centre and State Coordinator in the recently held Punjab Election 2022. Apart from this, she is also a member of the editorial board of the monthly magazine "Sanshleshan" published from the Centre for Global Studies. She also started publishing student centric magazine in his college (SLCE) in 2015 and is its Chief Editor.

### Dr Surendra Singh



Dr Surendra Singh, Fellow, CGS, University of Delhi, New Delhi has been associated with research and academics. He has been teaching as Assistant Professor in Department of Political Science, Atma Ram Sanatan Dharma College, University of Delhi, New Delhi, India. He has completed his Post-Doctoral research work from University of Delhi and participated in various International and National conferences and published research articles. He has worked on a major research project on 'A Study of Urban Governance around the World: Examine the Ground Realities and Suggestions for Effective and Innovative Public Policy in India' 2019-21, funded by ICSSR, New Delhi.

He contributed to many research journals and books, Dr Surendra Singh and Dr Rajesh Kumar 'Indian Higher Education System: A Study from Ancient to Modern Age' Chapter in the Book on 'Education in Competitive and Globalized World Education in India: Perspective, opportunities and Challenges' Nova

Science Publishers, Inc., New York. 2021, ISBN 9871536194425 (Paperback), ISBN 987153615033 (PDF). Dr Surendra Singh, in International Journal of Development Studies and Research 'Urban Governance around the World: Issues and Challenges' Edition: Vol.-9, No.-3 (July to September, 2020) ISSN: 2278-8654. He delivered a lecture in a National Webinar on 'Online Education: Opportunity and Challenges' 22 November, 2020 organized by Badlav Sansthan, Udaipur, Rajasthan.

### **Jiya Lal**



Jiya Lal teaches at the Department of Political Science, Satyawati College, University of Delhi. He is currently pursuing Ph.D from the Department of Political Science, University of Delhi on land acquisition issues. His research experience includes Indian government and politics, development, governance, agrarian crisis and politics of land acquisition in India. He has number of publications on these issues in journals, books and newspapers.

He is the Teacher In Charge of the Department of Political Science at Satyawati College, University of Delhi besides holding the post of IGNOU Coordinator in the College.

### **Sarad Kumar Yadav**



Sarad Kumar Yadav teaches at Department of Political Science, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Evening College, University of Delhi. He has done M.Phil. from Department of Political Science, University of Delhi. His research interests include Political economy of development, Governance and public policy, Human Right, Social Exclusion and Indian Politics. He has number of Publications on these issues in journals, books and newspapers.

### **Dr Malvika Singh**



Dr Malvika Singh is presently employed as Assistant Professor of Political Science at Shivaji College University of Delhi. She has secured her Bachelor's from Lady Shri Ram College for Women and PhD from Centre for Political Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Dr Malvika Singh is ardent participant in various national and international conference and seminars on vital issues in sphere of social science. In 2022 May she presented a paper on topic Integral Humanism in international conference on 'Swaraj: The idea of old and

new India'. In 2021, she participated in the international conference on 'Sustainable Development' and presented a paper on the 'Sustainable Development Ideas and It's Importance' in the conference. She has also authored a book on 'Agriculture of India and its reforms'.

She is a regular contributor to chapters in textbooks popularly used by undergraduate students of Political Science and has many chapters to her credit. She is also teaching as guest faculty in the Department of Political Science at School of Open Learning at University of Delhi since 2016. At college she is a member of Discipline Committee and Purchase Committee for time period of 2021-2023. She is also working as Research Assistant with the Centre for Global Studies, University of Delhi since 2016.

She is a regular member in the Department of Political Science for University exam question paper setting and also member of course revision committee at Department of Political Science, University of Delhi. She is a regular contributor at the Centre and participate in various conferences, seminars and workshops in the capacity of a member of the Seminar Committee at the Centre.

#### **Dr Shubhra Pant Kothari**



Dr Shubhra Pant Kothari teaches at the Department of Political Science, Zakir Husain Delhi College (Evening), University of Delhi. She graduated from Indraprastha College for Women, University of Delhi and Ph.D. from CPS, School of Social Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University. Her research interest area are Democratization and Political Institutions, Participatory Development, Gender Studies, Politics of Reservation, Women Empowerment and Politics of Inclusion. She has participated and presented various research papers in national and international seminars and conferences. She has published research papers in journals of national repute.

She has contributed chapters in edited books and published two books. She is a life member of Indian Institute of Public Administration. She is an executive member, IIPA, Delhi Branch.

#### **Nagendra Kumar**



Nagendra Kumar teaches in the Department of History, Bharati College, University of Delhi. He has done M.Phil. in History from JMI. His area of specialization is Medieval Indian history. He has worked on Islamic perceptions of Hindu Religion. He has to his credit good number of publications, some of which are: The Category of Hindu in Medieval Indo- Islamic Writings before Abul Fazl in Vaichariki. Abul-Fazl's Description of Hindu Religion: The Intellectual & Political context, 'Comparison between Various Indo-Islamic Percep-

tions of the Hindu Religion: From Alberuni to the author of Dabistan and I- Muzahib’, ‘Alberuni understanding of the Hindu Religion as Infidelity (kufir)’, ‘The perceptions of Barani, Ibn Battuta and Babur’, ‘Evolution of Akbar’s Approach to Religion’.

He has been one of the key coordinators of Centre’s Samiksha Series. He has to his credit many papers in seminars and conferences.

#### **Dr Mahesh Kaushik**



Dr Mahesh Kaushik teaches Economics at Rani Dutta Arya Vidyalaya under Directorate of Education, NCT of Delhi. He is pursuing Ph.D. on Study of Health Insurance in India from Chaudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh. His research interests are health, environmental and welfare economics. He has many articles published in journals and leading newspapers.

He has been associated with various academic and educational institutions-local, regional and national. He is the founder of Utsah-a voluntary organization working for the educational upliftment of the poor and downtrodden strata of society in the capital.

#### **CGS: Faculty, Functioning and Fellow Extension**

With the collective and holistic endeavours of its Fellow Navratnas, the Centre entered a new phase in social science research and activities in 2022. While all the Fellows have been contributing in their respective institution of learning, their active interest in the Centre’s activities during the quarter also imparted new dynamism and momentum.

Working in a transparent and democratic manner since the joining of the Centre as its Pratham Sevak, the Centre has been working with the help of its various committees which meet regularly to deliberate on academic and research issues. The Advisory Committee headed by Hon’ble Vice Chancellor is the apex decision making body of the Centre while the Fellow Council and Research Committee are its academic committees.

#### **Approval of the CGS Logo**

This year’s major breakthrough for the Centre came in the month of January 2023 when the University approved our well-crafted and designed logo. It is the first time that an academic centre of University of Delhi would boast a sanctioned logo for all official purposes. Congratulations to the CGS Parivar!



## Aiming High, Touching Sky

### **Academic Activities and Programs at the Centre, 2022-23**

The Centre organized various activities in the academic year 2022-23 which is an achievement in itself. The Annual Report apart from providing an overview of the Centre, gives a glimpse of Centre's major activities in the previous year to its readers.

#### **(a) Conferences, Seminars and Workshops**

##### **(i) Interactive Discourse on Subalterns**

The Centre organized an Interactive Discourse on 'Revisiting the Subaltern' on Monday, 2 May 2022 at the Committee Room of the Centre. The Keynote Speaker for the event was Prof Himanshu Roy, Senior Fellow, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi. Prof Sunil K Choudhary, director CGS took this initiative to commemorate the successful completion of the sixth batch of M.Phil. Coursework Paper titled 'Subaltern Politics in India'. This paper is a brainchild of Prof Sunil K Choudhary and has been widely acclaimed in the academia. The interactive discourse was coordinated by Dr Shubra Pant Kothari, Assistant Professor, Zakir Husain Delhi Evening College. Prof Himanshu Roy elucidated on the dynamic nature of subaltern studies. He emphasized upon the transforming 'subalternity within subalterns.' Prof Himanshu stated that subalterns are no more visible in the public discourse, as modernity is an ongoing social process which redefines the orientation of discourse. From Karl Marx to Ranajit Guha to Sumit Sarkar, the manifestations of subalterns have been reoriented. He laid emphasis on the origin of subal-






terns, as illustrated in the classic text. The notion of ‘subalterns’ has been institutionalized in the social movements, party system and power politics. A contemporary understanding of the same can be derived in the movements around Business Chamber of Commerce, political parties like Communist Party of India and Communist Party of India (Marxist). With a focus on leading the originals and transcending the new areas of research constituted the basis for contextualizing the subaltern discourse, stated Prof Himanshu Roy. He invigorated young minds to delve into a deeper and contemporary understanding of ‘subalterns.’ The lecture was attended and enjoyed by students, scholars, fellows and faculty members.



## (ii) Monthly Lecture on Russia-Ukraine War

The Centre organized a Webinar titled, ‘The Russia Ukraine NATO War: An Indian Perspective’ on Tuesday, 31 May 2022, 11:00 am. The keynote speaker for the event was Prof Shanta Varma, formerly with the Department of Political Science, University of Delhi. The lecture was introduced as the Cold War 2.0 by CGS Director, Prof Sunil K Choudhary. He further stated that Morgenthau’s national interest needs to corroborated with national values for understanding contemporary foreign policy. Lecture started with the Chanakya’s policy of statecraft. She elucidated on the various dilemmas in the foreign policy landscape, namely; peace vs war dichotomy, national vs global interest dichotomy. The lecture delivered was an insightful and informative one highlighting the various facets of engagements of global players. There has been a consistent power tussle, Russia under Putin has come back on the power stage. A focused role of US media through its anti-Russian narrative has constructed an enemy in Putin’s Russia. Sighting George Cannon, she stated that ‘NATO’s expansion was a tragic mistake.’ The Ukraine Crisis is a result of a long-drawn struggle of expansion between the two power blocs.

**Centre for Global Studies**

  
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 CORDIALLY INVITES YOU ALL TO ITS WEBINAR ON  
**The Russia Ukraine NATO War: An Indian Perspective**  
**Keynote Speaker**  
**Prof Shanta Nedungadi Varma**  
 Formerly with the Department of Political Science, University of Delhi  
**Tuesday, 31 May 2022, 11:00 am**  
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In the current situation India has taken the side of peace, notwithstanding India's ties with USA and Russia. India has also started Operation Banga to rescue its Indian students from Ukraine. India has supported the stand that all aggressions need to be condemned. India has been a harbinger of harmony and peace and has taken a constructive stand however there can be obstructions in terms of various challenges. The speaker highlighted the challenges that could be faced by India, namely, the China factor, importance of QUAD and managing inflation. The lecture was concluded with a vote of thanks by Chandrika Arya, Research Scholar, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi.

(iii) Talk on 'Understanding Indian Political Thought'

The Centre organized an Interactive Discourse on the theme, 'Understanding Indian Political Thought' on Monday, 23 May 2022, 4:00 pm at the Committee Room of the Centre. The keynote speaker for the event was Prof Kundan Singh, Hindu University, United States of America. The program



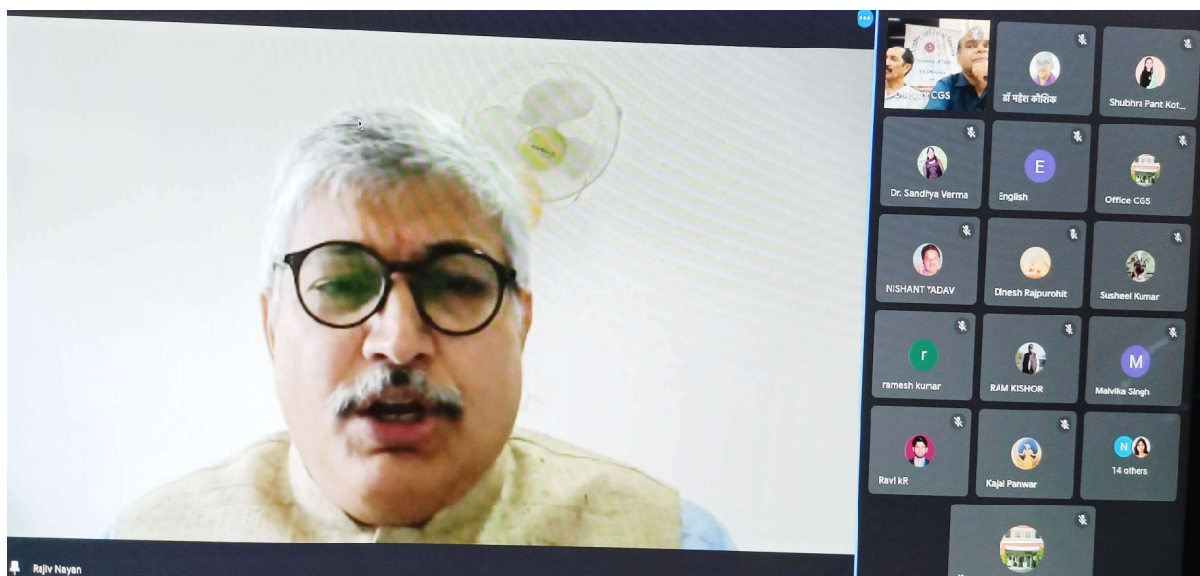
was presided over by Dr Neena Bansal, Associate Professor in Political Science, Kamala Nehru College and Member, Advisory Committee, Centre for Global Studies, University of Delhi. The event started with a warm welcome and felicitation by the *Pratham Sevak* of the Centre, Prof Sunil K Choudhary. The Interactive discourse began with various questions for brainstorming put forth by the keynote speaker. Prof Kundan Singh emphasized on commonalities of knowledge between India and the West in terms of ontology, epistemology and theology.

Prof Kundan Singh stated that our thought and knowledge are coloured by an ingrained colonial construct. The ideas and views of the ancient Indian sages are ignored by the contemporary philosophical discourse. He elucidated that fundamental are the basic roots of every discipline. He also highlighted the importance of Vedanta as the core of knowledge, which stands out as a distinct contribution of India. Without studying cosmology, literature and knowledge cannot be studied and gained hence, the study of Indian philosophy is indispensable for understanding contemporary political thought. The lecture was taken forward with insightful observations and engaging talk by Dr Neena Bansal. It was concluded by a formal vote of thanks by Shalini Singh, Assistant Professor, Janki Devi Memorial College, University of Delhi.

#### (iv) Monthly Lecture on China and Taiwan

The Centre organized a Webinar on ‘China-Taiwan: Collision and Implications for India’ on 12 August 2022 at 12:00 pm. The keynote speaker for the webinar was Dr Rajiv Nayan, Senior Research Associate, Manohar Parrikar Institute of Defence Studies.





(v) Talk on 'India and Partition'

The Centre for Global Studies, University of Delhi celebrated Partition Day on 13 August 2022. Shri Krishnanand Sagar an eminent historian and writer graced the occasion. His book on 'Bharat aur Vibhajan' was discussed in the programme. The speaker introduced his writings on the subject and interacted with scholars and researchers on the analysis and impact of partition on Indian minds and also how it has affected the psychology of Indian citizen (even after seven decades) living in the eastern and western part of India.



**(vi) National Workshop on Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya**

The Centre in association with Research and Development Foundation for Integral Humanism, New Delhi and Indian Council of Social Science Research [ICSSR], New Delhi organized a Two-Day National Workshop titled, 'Humanism from an Integral Perspective: Executing the Ideas of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya' on the birth anniversary of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya on 25-26 September 2022. The two-day national workshop seeks to evaluate and analyze the working of 50 Deendayal Upadhyaya chairs established by Ministry of Culture, Government of India, UGC and Government of Uttar Pradesh in different Universities of India. It also seeks to explore the possibilities to establish Deendayal Upadhyaya's principle of Integral Humanism as the integral part of academic curriculum and public discourses.



Dr Vinay Sahasrabuddhe was Chief Guest of the program. He congratulated the collective efforts of the Centre to organize national workshop on Deen Dayal Upadhyaya's propounding principle of integral humanism. He focused on the importance of executing the ideas of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya in academic disciplines like identity studies and analyzing public policies and programmes by using Pandit Deendayal Ji's ideas as a measuring rod. The first day program was divided into two technical sessions- Session 1 was chaired by Prof Geeta Singh, Director, CPDHE and keynote speaker was eminent thinker Dr Mahesh Chandra Sharma and Session 2 was chaired by Prof Surender Kumar, Head, Delhi School of Economics and keynote speaker was Dr Shailendra Kumar.

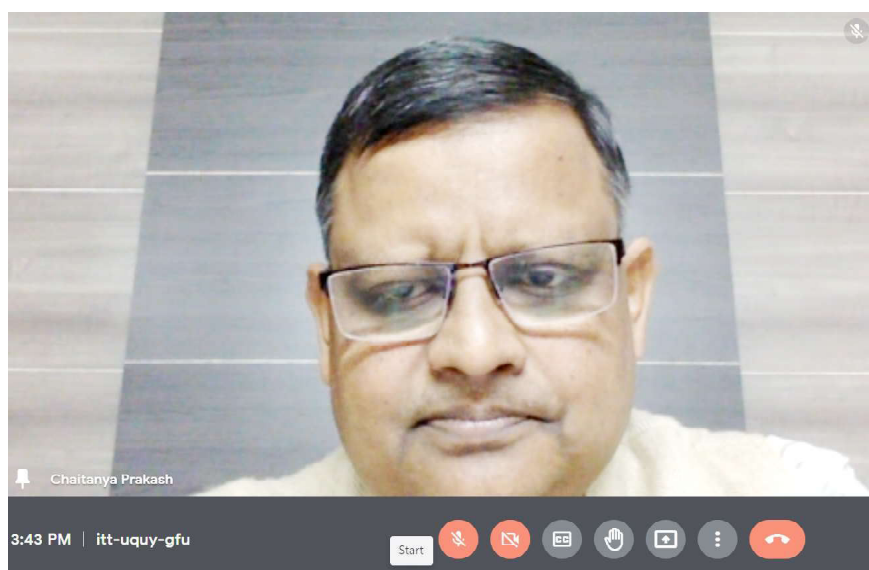
The Day 2 of the Workshop comprised of two technical sessions, roundtable session and finally succeeded by valedictory session. The sessions were chaired by Prof Sanjay Dwivedi, Director General,

Indian Institute of Mass Communication, Prof Mohan Lal Chhipa, Formerly Vice Chancellor, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Hindi Vishwavidyalaya, Bhopal, Prof Shiela Rai, Chairperson, India Policy Foundation respectively and keynote speakers were Shri Mukul Kanitkar, National Organizing Secretary, Bhartiya Shikshan Mandal, Prof Pawan Kumar Sharma, CCS University Meerut. All the panelists were felicitated on the occasion by Prof Sunil K Choudhary, Director, CGS. Amidst the gracious presence of many students, scholars, fellows and faculty members of respective colleges of University of Delhi, the program witnessed very thought-provoking insights in and around Integral Humanism.



**(vii) The Fifth Atal Bihari Vajpayee Memorial Lecture, 2022**

The Centre organized the fourth lecture of the series ‘Atal Bihari Vajpayee Memorial Lecture’ on Saturday, 25 December 2022. This lecture is held on the occasion of the birth anniversary, of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji which is also celebrated as Good Governance Day. Ours is the only Centre in University of Delhi to organize a dedicated lecture series since 2018 to commemorate the contributions of our late Prime Minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee.



The lecture series celebrates the basic essence of 'Atalism' by focusing on the values and principles that he emphasized in his distinguished political life. The Director of the Centre, Prof Sunil K Choudhary also emphasized on the discourse of Atalism, following Gandhism and Humanism of Deendayal Upadhyaya. The fellows and students of the Centre took the pledge to carry forward the legacy of late Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee not only in political domain but also in their educational and social facets of life.

**(b) CGS Samiksha 2023: Field Visits, Forecasting and Felicitation**

**(i) CGS Samiksha 2022: Election Workshops for Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat and Delhi Elections**

With the successful culmination of seven Samiksha election survey series beginning since 2017, the Centre organized online election workshops in order to conduct election survey for Himachal Pradesh in the month of November 2022, again online and offline workshops were organized for researchers to understand practices of election surveys to be conducted in the state of Gujarat and Delhi in the month of December 2022. Prof Sunil Choudhary, Director, CGS interacted with all fellows, researchers, students and surveyors and congratulated them for their successful attempts in highlighting voting behaviour of citizens belonging to Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat and Delhi.



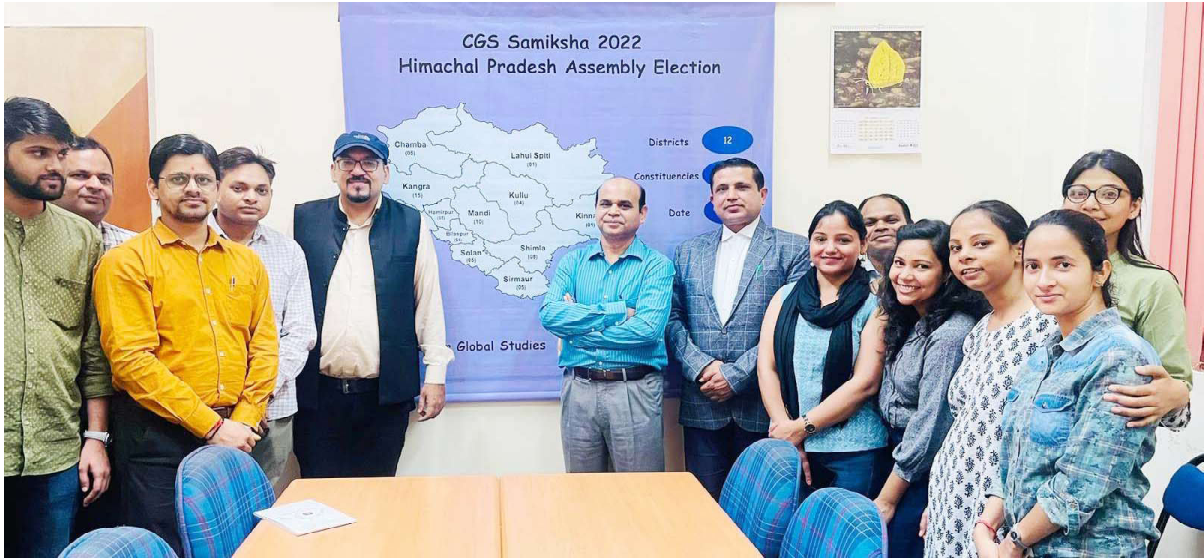
Each online workshop focused on making the student researchers aware about the practices of conducting election surveys and challenges related to it. In this light, the interactive sessions in the workshop alleviated a platform where under the academic and enriching guidance of Prof Sunil, the fellows and researchers dive to gain wisdom through his exploratory and refreshing ideas. Prof Sunil actively interacted with the press and the media.



Our research team took the initiative to conduct offline election surveys and successfully covered all the districts to ensure maximum data collection of voters to analyze different voting patterns and deliver the most honest projections in the state of Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat and Delhi.



The Centre has marked its presence as an esteemed social science research institution engaged in rigorous research activities. In this spirit, the Centre promotes political practices and focuses on analyzing the changing dynamics of Indian polity. The extensive election survey series have excelled our institution as a leading national research institute on electoral studies. The accurate projections of our electoral surveys have been acclaimed not only by the reputed national and state media but also by acclaimed national institutions.



**(ii) CGS Samiksha 2023: North East Workshop**

The CGS Samiksha has been the incredible flagship election study program of the Centre beginning 2017. To undertake the 9th election survey to the North East region under CGS Samiksha series, the Centre organized an online election workshop on Wednesday, 1 February 2023 in order to conduct the election surveys for three North Eastern States, viz., Tripura, Meghalaya and Nagaland where assembly elections were due in the month of February 2023. The Centre organized both online and offline workshops engaging students and scholars of University of Delhi as well as the Universities and Colleges in the poll-bound states. In the election workshop, Prof Sunil interacted with all fellows, researchers, students and surveyors and wished them for their successful attempts in highlighting the voting behaviour of citizens belonging to the three North Eastern States.

**दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के वैश्विक अध्ययन केंद्र द्वारा समीक्षा 2023 त्रिपुरा, मेघालय और नागालैंड विधान सभा चुनाव सर्वेक्षण की प्रथम ऑनलाइन कार्यशाला का आयोजन किया गया**



चंद्रकांत नो पुरादी दिल्ली कार्यशाला में केंद्र के निदेशक प्रो? सुनील कुमार चौधरी द्वारा इस कार्यशाला की अध्यक्षता की गई। उनका कहना है कि केंद्र क्रान्तिक सहित चार राज्यों का सर्वेक्षण करने जा रहा है, जिसका प्रारंभ उत्तर-पूर्व के इन तीन राज्यों से किया जाएगा। प्रो? सुनील कुमार चौधरी के अनुसार किसी राजनीतिक दल को भारत के केंद्र में यदि अपनी जीत का अनुमान लगाना है तो उसकी गुंज का प्रारंभ पूर्वोत्तर भारत से ही सुनाई देता है। केंद्र को दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के कुलपति प्रो? योगेश सिंह द्वारा औपचारिक रूप से अनुमति प्रदान कर दी गई है। जिसको केंद्र द्वारा मिनल समीक्षा 2023-24 मार्च ईस्ट के रूप में रख गया है। केंद्र ने त्रिपुरा के 8 जिलों व 60 सीटों, मेघालय के 12 जिलों व 60 सीटों और नागालैंड के 16 जिलों व 60 सीटों पर अपनी तीन टीम का चयन किया है। जिसमें दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के विभिन्न महाविद्यालयों के बी.ए और एम.ए के छात्रों, अध्यापकों व एस फिल और पीएचडी के शोधार्थियों

The First Samiksha Workshop on North East was followed by many other workshops undertaken by the Centre's Fellow Coordinators by making the student researchers aware of the practices of conducting election surveys and the challenges related to it. In this light, the interactive sessions in the workshop alleviated a platform where under the academic and enriching guidance, the fellows and researchers dive to gain wisdom through new exploratory and refreshing ideas.

### (iii) Field Explorations of Tripura, Meghalaya and Nagaland Assembly Elections

Coordinated under the guidance and direction of Dr Ramesh Bhardwaj and Dr Mahesh Kaushik, CGS Samiksha North East 2023 was executed at the ground by the State Coordinators Shri Vikas Yadav, Ms Srishty and Ms Ragini Jha representing Tripura, Meghalaya and Nagaland respectively. All the three State Coordinators were assisted in their mission by the offline and online teams of various poll-bound colleges and universities in addition to University of Delhi.

CGS Samiksha North East 2023 successfully covered all 36 districts and 178 constituencies gauging voting patterns of electors in all the three states of the region. With one of its solitary initiatives to the distinct and distant destination, the Centre has marked its presence as an esteemed social science research institution engaged in rigorous research activities. In this spirit, the Centre promotes political practices and focuses on analyzing the changing dynamics of Indian polity.



**(iv) CGS Samiksha 2023: Karnataka Assembly Election Survey Workshop**

The Centre organized the CGS Samiksha 2023: Karnataka Assembly Election Survey online workshop on 5 April 2023 to impart psephological knowledge to all researchers and surveyors for conducting offline Karnataka Assembly Election Survey. The workshop was attended by many college and postgraduate students of the University of Delhi. Prof Sunil Choudhary, the Director of the Centre gave an orientation on Samiksha Series to the surveyors and wished them the best for undertaking the upcoming field research, touching the southern part of the nation to its first survey venture. The Samiksha Workshop was also attended by Prof Pawan Sinha and Prof Sanjeev Kumar, eminent Political Scientists of University of Delhi.



**(c) Various Programs and Activities at CGS, 2022-23**

**(i) Pratham Sevak: A Seven Year Journey**



The Fellows and Faculty, Students and Scholars of the Centre celebrated the completion of seven years of its Director, Prof Sunil K Choudhary, who humbly calls himself the *Pratham Sevak* of the CGS Parivar. The function was held on 7 July 2022 amidst the discussions and deliberations about the future course of action to be undertaken by the *Pratham Sevak* with his Parivar Members.

## (ii) Yoga Day Celebration

The Centre celebrated International Yoga Day on 21 June 2022. Yogasan was organized in the Centre premises to mark the importance of the day. Deputy Director Dr Bhuwan Kumar Jha instilled confidence, motivation and enthusiasm as the Yoga instructor. Students, scholars and teachers joined the event with gusto and fervor.

A dress code was followed for the day, white T-shirt with official logo of International Yoga Day and Delhi University was adorned by everyone present. The Yoga session lasted for an hour from 7:00 am to 8:00 am. Yogasan like Vajra Aasan, Munduk Aasan and Dhanur Aasan were practiced during the session. It was followed by Pranayama with exercises like Kapalbhathi, Anulom-Vilom and Bhramari were undertaken. Prof Sunil K Choudhary, Director of the Centre felicitated the Deputy Director and the Yoga Instructor of the day Dr Bhuwan Kumar Jha.



## (iii) Hindi Diwas Celebration

The Centre celebrated Hindi Diwas on 14 September 2022 in its premises. The programme was organized for students, fellows and researchers with lots of academic activities and competition. Dr Jiya Lal and Dr Archana presided the programme. The main aim of the programme was to revise and revive Matra Bhasha Prem and unlearn to learn Hindi by pouring our thoughts in Hindi language.



#### **(iv) Celebrating International Non-Violence Day**

The Centre every year celebrates Gandhi Jayanti with much enthusiasm and rigour among our kindergartens with the blessings of our Director Prof Sunil Choudhary. This year also on 2 October 2022, our Centre organized a programme for the children at the Centre. Many students, children and researchers participated in various activities that were held during the programme. The programme was coordinated by Dr Aashish Shukla. All participants were given certificates and prizes from our respected director.



#### **(v) Constitution Day Celebration**

Continuing with its past tradition of celebrating the Constitution Day, the Centre organized a small get together of its Fellows and Students on 26 November 2022 and took a common pledge of preserving, protecting and promoting the constitutional ethos of the nation. The Preamble of the Constitution was read by the Director, Fellows and Faculty, Scholars and Staff of the Centre and ideas were shared by all regarding a glorious journey of the Indian Constitution from 1950 till date.

#### **(d) Visit of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor**

The Centre witnessed a pleasant surprise visit of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof Yogesh Singh on 22 April 2022. Interacting with the students, scholars and the admin staff present at the Centre during the visit, Prof Yogesh Singh expressed his happiness over the working of the Centre, particularly the CGS Samiksha and CGS Ambassadorial Lecture Series besides its regular research publications.

In his short but strong visit, the first since his joining the office of the Vice Chancellor, Prof Yogesh Singh also appreciated the Certificate Courses approved by the Centre through its Research Committee and

asked the Director to submit two credit courses for the Undergraduate Program beginning from the new academic session, 2022.



**(e) Advisory Meeting under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor**

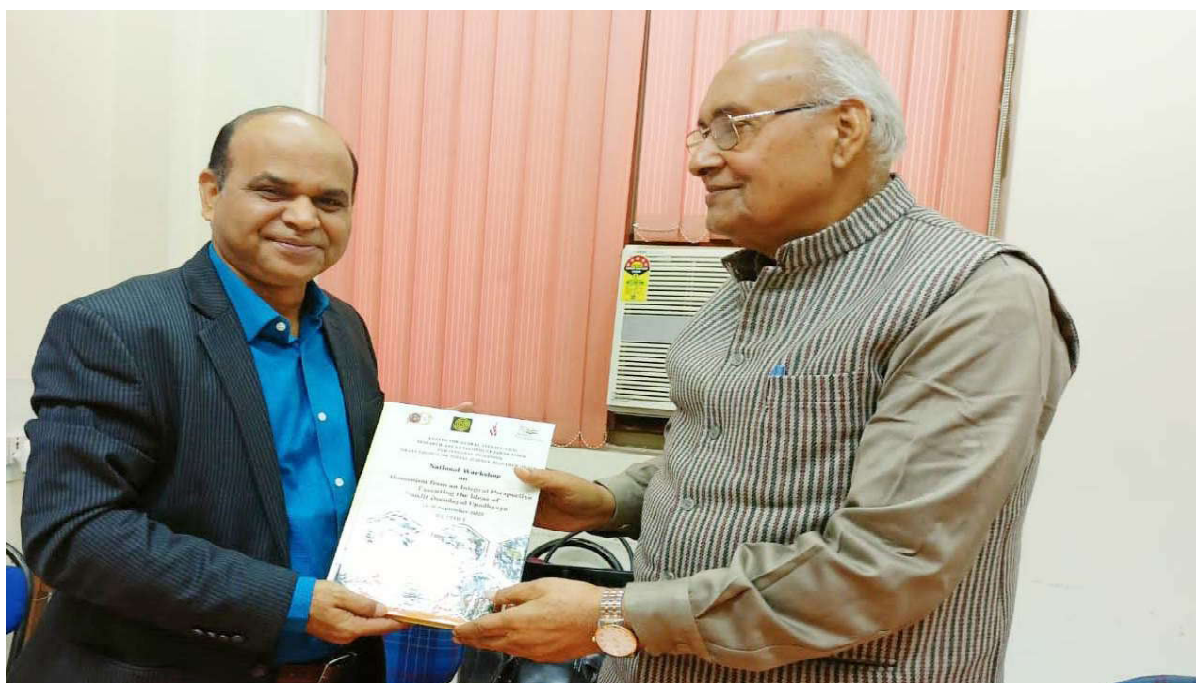
After a long gap, the advisory committee meeting of the Centre was held on 14 July 2022 under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof Yogesh Singh. Constituting a Team of 14, the advisory meeting was attended by the external and internal members across India and discussed and deliberated on various issues as proposed by the Centre in its agenda.



The members of the Advisory Committee acknowledged and appreciated the activities and achievements undertaken by the Centre under the dynamic and visionary leadership of its Director, Prof Sunil K Choudhary in inter-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary domains.

**(f) A Visit by Visionary Academician, Dr Mahesh Chand Sharma**

An ideologue, avid political thinker with an extensive and rich epistemology about the idea of India, Dr Mahesh Chand Sharma visited our Centre and blessed us with his presence on 20 December 2022. He appreciated different academic endeavours and initiatives taken by our honourable director, Prof Sunil K Choudhary along with his team.



**CGS in News**

The Centre figured prominently in the electronic media in the current quarter when its Director, Prof Sunil K Choudhary was invited as a Guest in a discussion on the Politics of Freebies and the swearing-in-ceremony of India's first tribal and the second woman President, Smt Draupadi Murmu marching to the highest position from Rairangpur to Raisina Hills in July 2022.



The Centre has always been a media glare and all its activities always get highlighted in the Press and T.V Media. Recently, our national workshop on Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya and Samiksha workshops focusing on upcoming electoral surveys for Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat and Delhi Municipal Elections marked its presence in all social media platform, print and TV media.

The election studies of the Centre conducted in three North Eastern States figured prominently in many national and regional dailies in addition to electronic and social media. The Media Coordinators- Ms Shalini Singh and Ms Kajal took momentous efforts in linking the Centre's survey journey to the electronic, print and social media.

## दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के शोधार्थी कर रहे हैं हिमाचल का चुनाव पूर्व सर्वेक्षण

**दैनिक नई दुनिया** दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय के वैश्विक अध्ययन केंद्र ने 31 अक्टूबर 2022 को अपने सभी छात्रों, अध्यापकों व शोधार्थियों

सभी जिलों, निर्वाचन क्षेत्रों और वार्डों को चार चरणों के माध्यम से सफल सर्वेक्षण किए हैं। केंद्र के निदेशक प्रो. सुनील के चौधरी का कहना है कि यह

ऑनलाइन व ऑफलाइन दोनों के समतोल प्रयोग किया जाएगा। इस परियोजना को अधिक समायोजित और समग्र अभ्यास बनाने के लिए डीयू के विभिन्न



के साथ चुनाव कार्यशाला का आयोजन कर ही ही प्रथम समीक्षा: हिमाचल प्रदेश विधान सभा की शुरुआत कर दी है। सभीवा श्रृंखला के तहत, केंद्र ने पहले ही उत्तर प्रदेश, दिल्ली, बिहार, पश्चिम बंगाल व असम विधानसभा और दिल्ली नगर निगम चुनावों में

पहली बार है जब डीयू के साथ दिल्ली पंचायती सेने के विधानसभा चुनाव का सर्वेक्षण करेंगे। इससे पहले केंद्र ने 6 चुनाव सर्वेक्षण कराए हैं जिनमें से 2017 में केंद्र ने 83 हजार वोटों के उत्तर प्रदेश का सर्वे किया था। यह केंद्र का सार्वभौम सर्वेक्षण है, जो

कॉलेज व अन्य विश्वविद्यालयों के समतोल प्रयोग किया जाएगा, जिनमें एम ए, एमफिल व पीएचडी के शोधार्थी भी शामिल होंगे जिनकी एक टीम 4 नवंबर 2022 को हिमाचल प्रदेश के 12 जिलों में जा रही है। केंद्र के द्वारा हिमाचल प्रदेश

विधानसभा चुनाव का सर्वेक्षण 12 जिलों व 60 निर्वाचन क्षेत्रों के मतदान के अंतर्गत किया जाएगा। सर्वेक्षण 4 नवंबर, 2022 से शुरू होकर 10 नवंबर तक चलेगा।

इसके साथ केंद्र द्वारा गुजरात व दिल्ली नगर निगम चुनावों का भी सर्वेक्षण किया जाएगा। जिसकी जानकारी बहुत जल्द सांख्यिकी की जाएगी।

हिमाचल प्रदेश विधानसभा चुनाव में केंद्र एक सांख्यिकीपूर्ण अभ्यास है जो युवा शोधकर्ताओं के सेमिनारों के माध्यम से नई ऊंचाइयों बनाएगा।

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With a global vision, the Centre for Global Studies is looking forward with a renewed research mission to undertake and explore new opportunities through a series of debates, discussions and deliberations involving inter-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary actions and activities, experiences and exercises, programs and projects at the global level.

The Centre renewed its efforts of getting RNI and ISSN for its Hindi Monthly Magazine, Sanshleshan and the Blind Peer-Review Bi-Annual Journal, Globalense registration from Government of India.



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