



**International Webinar on
“COVID-19: Issues and Challenges on Economy,
Politics and Society”**

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Concept Note

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is one of the most talked about issue of 2020, be it social, economic or political arena throughout the world. It can be transmitted from animals to human and from human to human through close contacts. People suffering from this disease may develop problems like common cold, severe respiratory problem, kidney failure and even death in severe cases.

It was first identified in the month of December 2019 in Wuhan city of China and since then it has been spreading out globally. But there is no such specific medicine developed yet for treating the disease. So, the affected nations ultimately have chosen lockdown as the most preferred way to save the humanity of the world and to contain spreading the virus. India as COVID-19 affected country has also been following the same path.

The first positive case of COVID-19 was identified in India on 30th January 2020. Since then, the numbers of positive cases have been gradually increasing in an unexpected manner. Hence Government of India came out with a strict decision of imposing nationwide lockdown from 24th March 2020 and it is continuing till date, obviously with some relaxation from 2nd phase of lockdown based on ground situation in different parts of the country. Though the lockdown was the need of the hour and was only possible solution to save the humanity but at the same time it has affected the socio-political scenario of the country and most importantly the economy one.

On this backdrop, the Webinar proposed-

- to identify the issues related to COVID-19,
- to identify the major challenges of COVID-19 on Economy, Politics and Society.
- to identify the prospective way out from challenges posed by COVID-19.

Sub-themes

Theme is divided into several sub-themes as detailed below, but not necessarily limited to:

- COVID-19 and its Economic, Political and Social Impact.
- COVID-19 and India's relationship with neighboring Countries.
- COVID-19 and its impact on North East India.
- Future Plan after Lockdown
- COVID-19 and role of Media
- COVID-19 and NGOs

About Maharaja Bir Bikram University

Maharaja Bir Bikram University, established by an Act of Tripura Legislative Assembly, began its maiden journey in 2015. Situated in a lush of green landscape adjacent to MBB College, Agartala, the university intends to sail through the vibrant world of academia with objective of encouraging imagination, innovations and ideas in the newly emerging academic disciplines without ignoring the vast knowledge that have been accumulated over long period of human civilization.

Department of Public Administration

The Department of Public Administration started its journey on 10th August, 2016. The basic objective of the Department is to train Post Graduate Students thoroughly in all branches of the discipline. The curriculum of the Department focuses on the theoretical concepts as well as recent empirical aspects in the discipline. This provides the students with necessary conceptual awareness to undertake further specialized studies and research activities.

Registration

Only registered participants will get **E-Certificate**. For registration, participants are required to deposit Rs. 200/- to the **Chief Minister Relief Fund, Tripura** using the link <https://cmrf.tripura.gov.in> and shall have to send the screenshot/photo of the receipt to the WhatsApp number **8414039763/9402121421** and email at **nationalseminarpambbu@gmail.com** latest by **27th May, 2020** along with the filled in proforma available in the MBB University website mentioning Name, Designation, Name of the Institution, Title of the Paper, Contact Number and Email Address.

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Selected Papers will be published in edited book with ISBN. Full paper may be submitted to the email id **nationalseminarpambbu@gmail.com** latest by 1st July 2020.

* **In case, number of participants are more, then the webinar may be extended to the next day.**

** **Each participant will get five to ten (5-10) minutes to speak online as per convenience.**