

Indraprastha College for Women

University of Delhi

Discussion Forum

Report of Activities (July 2020-April 2021)

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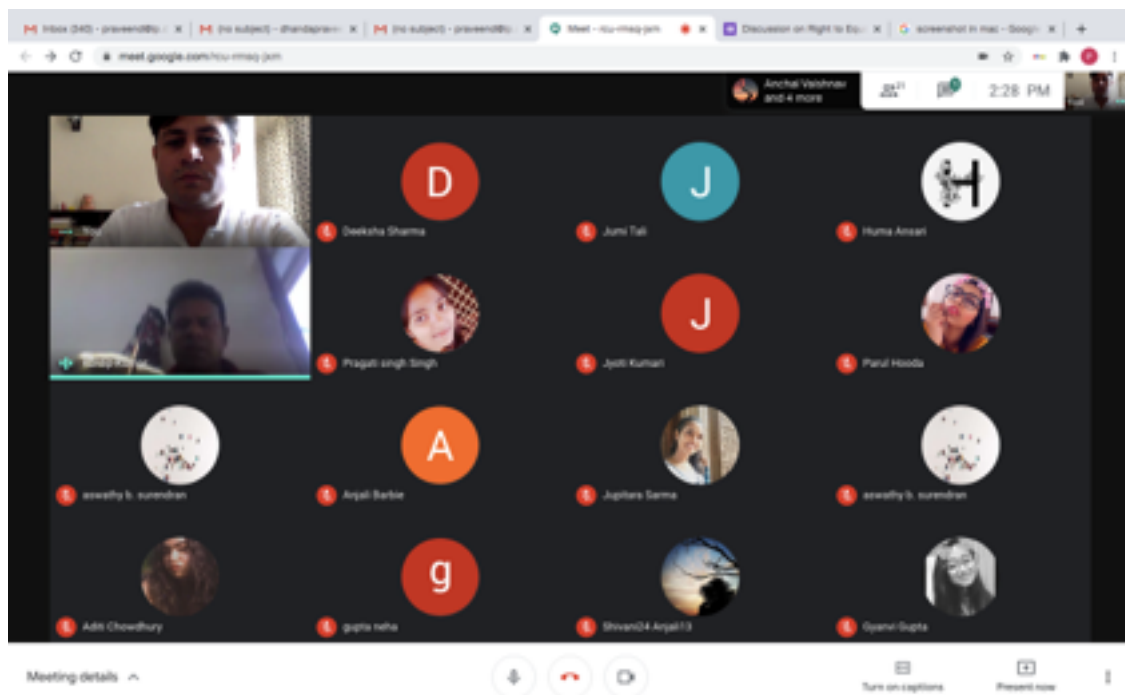
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Discussion on 'Right to Equality in the Constitution of India'

Date: 29 September 2020

Time: 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM

An online discussion was organised by the Discussion Forum on the right to equality in the Constitution of India on 29 September 2020. The discussion explored articles 14 to 18 in particular and tried to engage with the associated debates on issues like affirmative action. The discussion was moderated by Dr Kuldeep Kumar and Dr Praveen Dhanda. After the inaugural lecture on 'Constitutional Morality in India' and a discussion on the preamble, this was the third event in a series on 'The Constitution of India: Cornerstone of our Nation'



Lecture on ‘Understanding the Political Economy of Farm Acts (2020)’

Date: 18 November 2020

Time: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM

Discussion Forum invited Mr Roshan Kishore, data and political economy editor, Hindustan Times, to deliver an online lecture on ‘Understanding the Political Economy of Farm Acts (2020)’ on 18 November 2020. In his data-driven presentation Mr Kishore discussed the three farm laws from an academic perspective. The lecture was followed by an intensive question and answer session in which students and faculty members engaged enthusiastically.



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Corporatisation of agriculture does not necessarily increase farm incomes

US: farm share in food expenditure is 14.6 cents per dollar

EU: value added for agriculture in the food chain dropped from 31% in 1995 to 24% in 2005, mainly in favour of other food chain actors*. By 2011 it was 21%, versus a value added of around 28% for the food industry and 51% for food retail and food services

India: A recent study by the RBI in 2018-19 notes that the farmer's share in consumer's rupee ranged between 32% and 68% for horticulture, 40-89% for food-grains and oilseeds (RBI, 2019)

Discussion Forum, IPCW, Webinar

Zoom Meeting: Video, Chat, and Screen Share

Participants: Roshan Kishore, and 26 others

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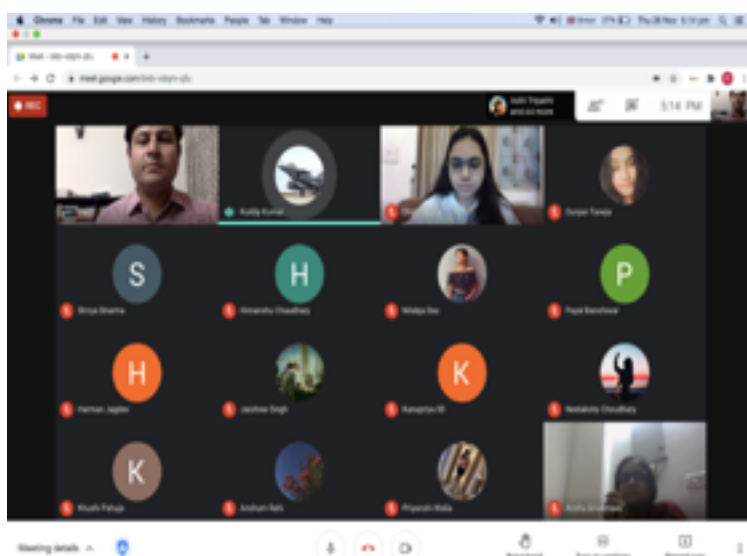
Documentary Screening and Discussion on the Occasion of the Constitution Day

Date: 26 November 2020

Time: 4:00 PM-6:00 PM

On the occasion of the Constitution Day on 26 November 2020, the Discussion Forum of Indraprastha College for Women screened 'Samvidhaan: The Making of the Constitution of India' (RSTV) followed by a discussion. More than 150 students from Indraprastha College for Women and from other institutions including Ashoka University, Sonipat, GGSDS College, Chandigarh and other colleges from University of Delhi had registered for the event.

Introductory remarks about the topic were made by the adviser of the Discussion Forum, Dr Praveen Dhanda, following which a range of questions, comments and observations were made by participants. Out of this rich discussion an intellectually stimulating discourse emerged dealing with the subject matter in both historical and contemporary perspectives. The discussion was moderated by Dr Praveen Dhanda. The screening-cum-discussion was well received by the students. This event was part of a series of events on 'The Constitution of India: Cornerstone of our Nation'.

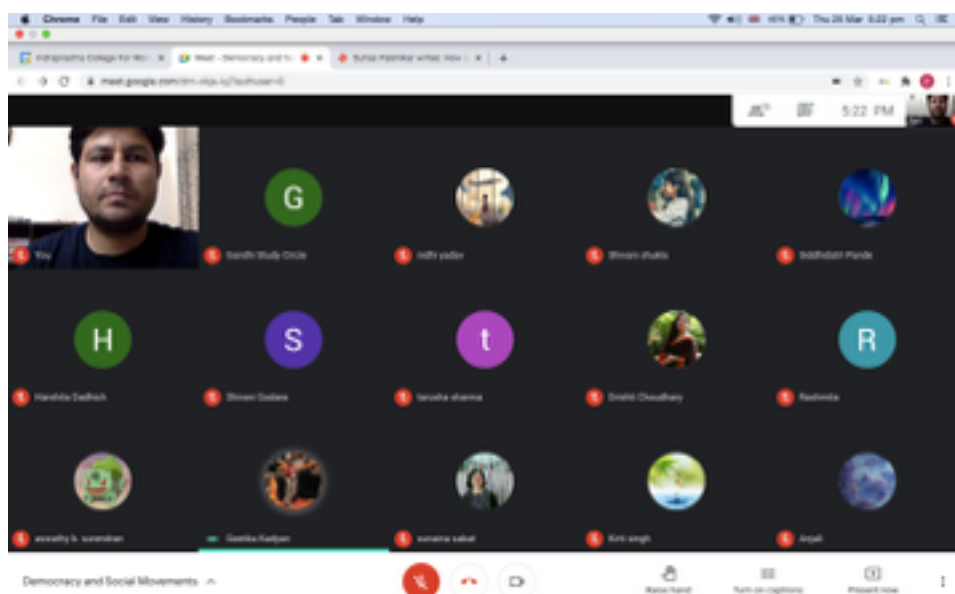
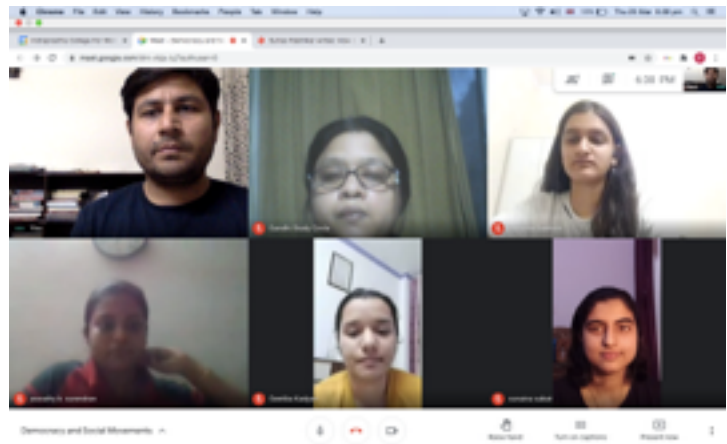
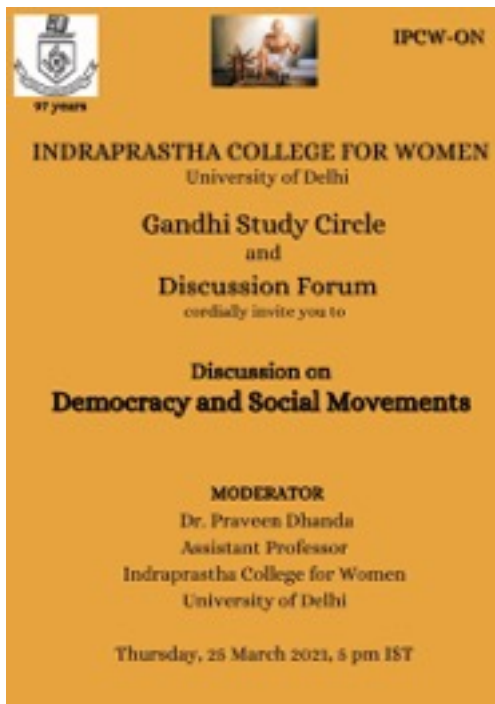


Discussion on Democracy and Social Movements

Date: 25 March 2021

Time: 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

In association with Gandhi Study Circle the Discussion Forum organised an online discussion on 'Democracy and Social Movements' on 25 March 2021. In this invigorating conversation participants discussed notions of democracy and how social movements are an integral part of democratic process. The participants also deliberated on the contemporary social movements from the perspective of various theories of democracy. The discussion was steered and moderated by the advisor of the Discussion Forum, Dr Praveen Dhanda.

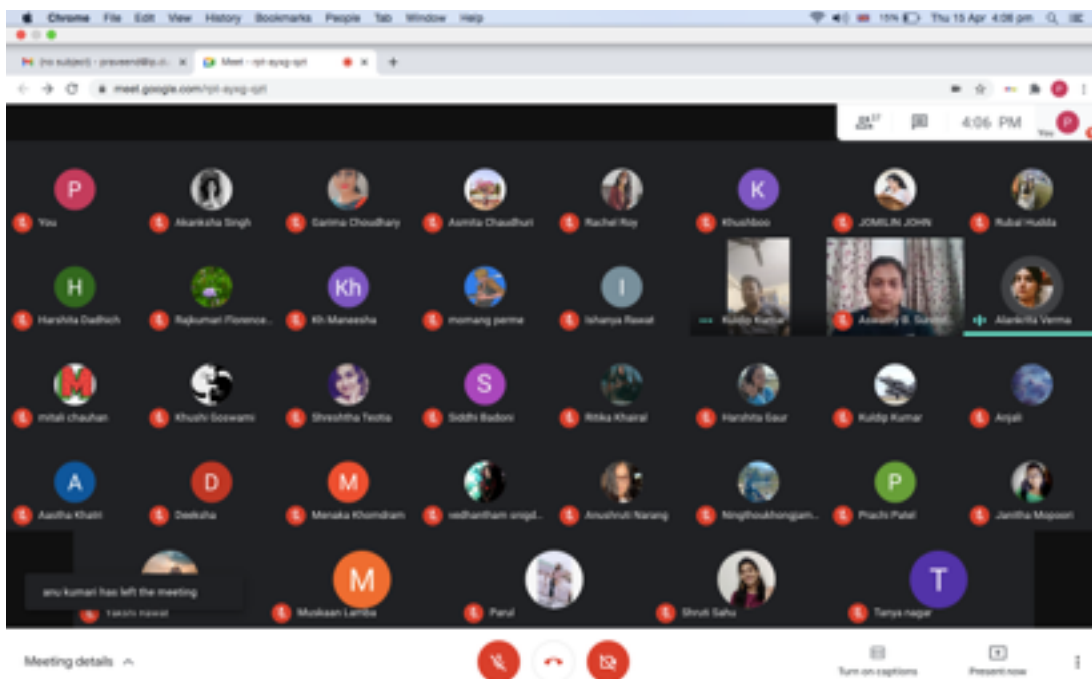


Discussion on 'Right to Freedom in the Constitution of India'

Date: 15 April 2021

Time: 4:00 PM-5:00 PM

An online interactive session was organised by the Discussion Forum on 'Right to Freedom in the Constitution of India' on 15 April 2021. In this discussion the participants discussed nuances of Article 19 to Article 22 and how the rights enshrined in these articles are essential for the functioning of democracy. In this event participants also had a conversation on the freedom of expression and its importance. This fifth event in the series on 'The Constitution of India: Cornerstone of our Nation' was moderated by Dr Kuldip Kumar.



Discussion on 'Ambedkar's Philosophy and Contemporary Constitutional Praxis'

Date: 30 April 2021

Time: 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Discussion Forum organised an online event on Ambedkar's Philosophy and Contemporary Constitutional Praxis on 30 April 2021. This sixth event in the series on 'The Constitution of India: Cornerstone of our Nation' was moderated by Dr Pankaj Sahani of the Department of Political Science, Indraprastha College for Women. The discussion referred to Ambedkar's introduction to the draft Constitution in the Constituent Assembly on 4 November 1948 and linked the core ideas of Ambedkar's philosophy with the contemporary constitutional praxis.

