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## **ABOUT US**

### **VISION STATEMENT OF THE GANDHI STUDY CIRCLE**

The Gandhi Study Circle critiques, disseminates, and engages with the thought and practice of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi as well as those individuals, movements, and organizations that were inspired by him in their pursuit of sustainable living, human dignity, empathy, and justice.

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**PEOPLE**

**TEAM 2021-22**



**Angel  
Lakhanpal**



**Chamodi  
Sanjana**



**Yashi  
Baranwal**



**Geetika**



**Sunaina  
Sabat**

**FACULTY ADVISORS**

Swaha Swetambara Das, Department of Political Science

Praveen Dhandu, PhD, Department of Political Science

### **COLLEGIAL EVENTS**

- **Gandhi Jayanti Celebrations**
- **Martyrs' Day Commemoration**
- **Poster making and poetry writing competition**

## **GANDHI JAYANTI**

**Date: 02 October 2021**

**Mode: Online**

### **Observance of Gandhi Jayanti**

The Gandhi Study Circle collaborated with the Students' Union at IP in organizing an online programme to observe Gandhi Jayanti. An audio-visual presentation on the theme of 'My Experiences with Gandhian Philosophy' was prepared by members of the Gandhi Study Circle. Angel Lakhanpal, Geetika, Chamodi Sanjana, Sunaina Sabat and Yashi Baranwal spoke about their own personal encounter and engagement with the thought and practice of M.K.Gandhi.

**Date: 03 October 2021**

**Mode: Hybrid**

**Venue: Mexico City**

### **'Celebrating the 152<sup>nd</sup> Birth Anniversary of the Mahatma'.**

The Embassy of India in Mexico and the Gurudev Tagore Indian Cultural Centre, Mexico in collaboration with Indraprastha College for Women organized a programme in hybrid mode to celebrate the 152<sup>nd</sup> birth anniversary of the Mahatma. The Gandhi Study Circle, Alaap (Indian Music Society at IP) and La Cadenza (Western Music Society at IP) collaborated in preparing a video for celebrating the 152<sup>nd</sup> birth anniversary of Gandhi. During the event, the Principal, Professor Babli Moitra Saraf spoke about the relationship between Indraprastha College for Women and India's struggle for Independence. Sunaina Sabat navigated us through the IP College programme.

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**Embassy of India**  
Mexico City  
Gurudev Tagore  
**Indian Cultural Centre**  
in collaboration with  
**Indraprastha College for Women**  
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**CELEBRATING**  
152<sup>nd</sup> Birth anniversary of  
**THE MAHATMA**

**Venue: Auditorium**  
**Embassy of India**  
**Mexico City**  
Musset 325, Polanco  
**Mode: Hybrid**

**Date: Sunday**  
**03 October, 2021**

**10:00 am CDMX**  
**08:30 pm India Time**

**ONLY BY INVITATION**  
**All covid protocols will be followed**

@iccmexico @gticc.mexico Gurudev Tagore  
Indian Cultural Centre  
Mexico City

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**Date: 30 January 2022**

**Mode: Online**

**Martyrs' Day**

An online programme was organized by the Students' Union to observe Martyrs' Day 2022. The Gandhi Study Circle presented a video 'The Unsung Tales of India' that recounted the tales of individual men and women from across the country who participated in the struggle for India's independence. Geetika, Angel Lakhanpal, Niangkhanchin, Khushi and Payal participated in the event.

**02 September 2021**

**Poster-Making Competition**

**'Paradoxes of Modernity'**

**Poetry Writing Competition**

**'Gandhi's Message to the Youth of Modern India'**

**Judge**  
**Dr. Kshipra Sharma**

**List of Prize Winners**

**Poster Making Competition:**

First: Ms Vanshika (Political Science)

Second: Ms Jaya Gautam (B.A.Prog.)

**Poetry Writing Competition:**

First: Ms. Anjali (Geography)

Second: Ms. Namrata (Sociology)

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**GANDHI STUDY CIRCLE**  
presents

**POSTER-MAKING  
&  
POETRY-WRITING  
COMPETITIONS**

**Themes- 'PARADOXES OF MODERNITY'**  
Or  
**'GANDHI'S MESSAGE TO THE YOUTH  
OF MODERN INDIA'**

**Deadline for submissions: September 2, 2021**

**Submit your entries at [gsc@ip.du.ac.in](mailto:gsc@ip.du.ac.in)**

**For further queries,  
Contact: 8419826408 (Yashi Baranwal)**

**ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH**

- **Round Table Conference ‘Gandhi and the Ethics of Consumption’**
- **Paper Presentations (Students)**
- **Panel Discussions (Students)**
- **Webinar-Lecture Series ‘Gandhi and the Everyday’**
- **Research Projects and Research Publications (Students and Faculty)**

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**Date: 25 February 2022**

**Mode: Online**

**Round Table Conference**

**'Gandhi and the Ethics of Consumption'**



  
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**7th ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE ON GANDHI**

An Inter-college competition

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**Theme:**  
**Gandhi and the Ethics of Consumption**

Date: 25 February 2022 | Time: 10:30 a.m. Onwards |

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## About the College

Established in 1924 as part of a nationwide campaign for women's education and empowerment, Indraprastha College for Women is a constituent college of the University of Delhi. The memorable participation of the student and faculty members of the College in struggles for social and political justice, such as the Gandhian anti-colonial movement, the completion of higher education of partition refugees, and the women's movement in India, continues to inspire and animate later generations of the College community. In the time of the pandemic, the College has worked towards enabling and enhancing digital and remote learning through initiatives that include international collaborations and webinars.

The Gandhi Study Circle (GSC) at IP College has been actively involved in critical explorations and research in the domain of the philosophy and practice of Gandhi and of movements that are committed to nonviolence, sustainable living and coexistence. The activities of the GSC include student panel discussions, audio-visual presentations, talks by experts, and exhibitions, charkha spinning workshops, international webinars, competitions in poster making, letter writing and creative writing.

## Principal's Message

The Round Table Conference (RTC) on Gandhi has been envisaged as a decade long, annual competitive event and was begun in 2014. Except in 2020 when the pandemic first enforced a lockdown, the RTC has had a very successful run. It is to culminate in a global event in 2023-24, when the College will celebrate its Centennial. The RTC has encouraged student participation in this annual event which accommodates presentations in both English and Hindi. The activities of the Gandhi Study Circle has won accolades at various forums and its participation in 'Gandhi 150 years' has been recognised by the University of Delhi with prizes for the College and the Principal, for singular contribution in propagating Gandhian values. I welcome the fact that the GSC has resumed the RTC in these challenging times, and invite widespread participation from the national and international community of students.



## Concept Note

The act of consumption is not devoid of consequences. This axiomatic truth puts every action of consumption in the matrix of ethics. At a time when the hegemonic credo of market paradigm shapes our choices and normative judgements about consumption, Gandhi offers an alternative paradigm which pushes us beyond modern civilisations' preoccupation with unbridled production, productivity and consumption. This dangerous delusion of uninhibited gratification finds one of its most potent challenge in Gandhi. Anchored as it is in a distinct ontology, Gandhiana may supply virtues which may not only serve as generic benchmarks but also frameworks to navigate us through the ethical whirlpool of what is good and bad, what is just and unjust and what is right and wrong about our consumption choices. The core ideas of Gandhi - ranging from ahimsa to aparigraha - have the possibility of illuminating a Gandhian theory of consumption as our duties and rights regarding consumption receive a distinct shape when debated with reference to Gandhi.

Abstracts are invited on the following points of discussion, though not limited to these only:

- Gandhian Virtues and Navigation through Ethical Dilemmas of Consumption
- Gandhi, Consumption and the Ideas of Boycott and 'Buycott'
- Ethics, Politics and Political-economy of Consumer Activism
- Gandhi and Self-reflexivity about Consumption
- Intellectual interface between Gandhi and others about consumption
- Towards a Gandhian Theory of Consumption
- Gandhi, Consumption and Ethics of Development

## संकल्पना नोट

उपभोग का कार्य परिणामों से रहित नहीं है। यह स्वयं सिद्ध सत्य उपभोग की प्रत्येक क्रिया को नैतिकता के सांचे में रखता है। ऐसे समय में जब बाजार का आधिपत्य हमारे उपभोग के विकल्पों और मानकों को आकार देता है, गांधी हमें इस सम्बन्ध में एक वैकल्पिक रूपावली प्रदान करते हैं। गांधी का दर्शन हमें आधुनिक सभ्यता के बेलगाम उत्पादन, उत्पादकता और खपत से आगे जाकर सोचने के लिए प्रेरणा देता है। आधुनिकता जनित इस मायावी बेलगाम तृष्टि की प्रवृत्ति को गांधी के दर्शन में एक प्रबल चुनौती मिलती है। चूंकि गांधी दर्शन एक अलग सत्व शास्त्र (ऑन्टोलोजी) पर आधारित है, यह हमें ऐसे मूल्य प्रदान कर सकता है जिनको हम न केवल मानक बल्कि एक सैद्धांतिक रूप रेखा के रूप में अपना कर सही-गलत, उचित-अनुचित उपभोग से सम्बंधित नैतिक प्रश्नों को हल कर सकते हैं। चूंकि उपभोग के संबंध में हमारे कर्तव्यों और अधिकारों को गांधी के संदर्भ में बहस करने पर एक अलग आकार मिलता है, इसलिए गांधी के मूल विचार - अहिंसा से लेकर अपरिग्रह तक - उपभोग के गांधीवादी सिद्धांत को जन्म देने की संभावना रखते हैं।

इस गोल मेज सम्मेलन में चर्चा के निम्नलिखित बिंदुओं पर (हालांकि केवल इन्हीं तक सीमित नहीं) शोध पत्रों के सार-संक्षेप आमंत्रित हैं:

1. गांधीवादी गुणों (**virtues**)के माध्यम से उपभोग की नैतिक दुविधाओं का हल
2. गांधी, उपभोग और बहिष्कार (**boycott**) या 'बॉयकोट' ('**buycott**') के विचार
3. उपभोक्ता सक्रियतावाद (**consumer activism**) की नैतिकता, राजनीति और राजनीतिक-अर्थव्यवस्था
4. गांधी और उपभोग के बारे में आत्म-अवलोकन
5. उपभोग पर गांधी और अन्य विचारकों में तुलनात्मक बौद्धिक विमर्श
6. उपभोग के गांधीवादी सिद्धांत की ओर
7. गांधी, उपभोग और विकास की नैतिकता

## Guidelines and Schedule

Abstracts of 100 words are invited from undergraduate students of universities in India. The schedule is as follows:

Deadline for Submission of Abstracts	: 30 January 2022.
Notification for Acceptance of Abstracts	: 07 February 2022.
Confirmation of Participation	: 15 February 2022.
Submission of Complete Paper in APA format:	: 20 February 2022.

Link to register for abstract submission and participation:

<https://forms.gle/vpEg5R6TsJPqx1nX6>

There is no registration fee.

Format - Online presentations of 10+2 minutes.

For further details , contact [gsc@ip.du.ac.in](mailto:gsc@ip.du.ac.in)

### Prizes:

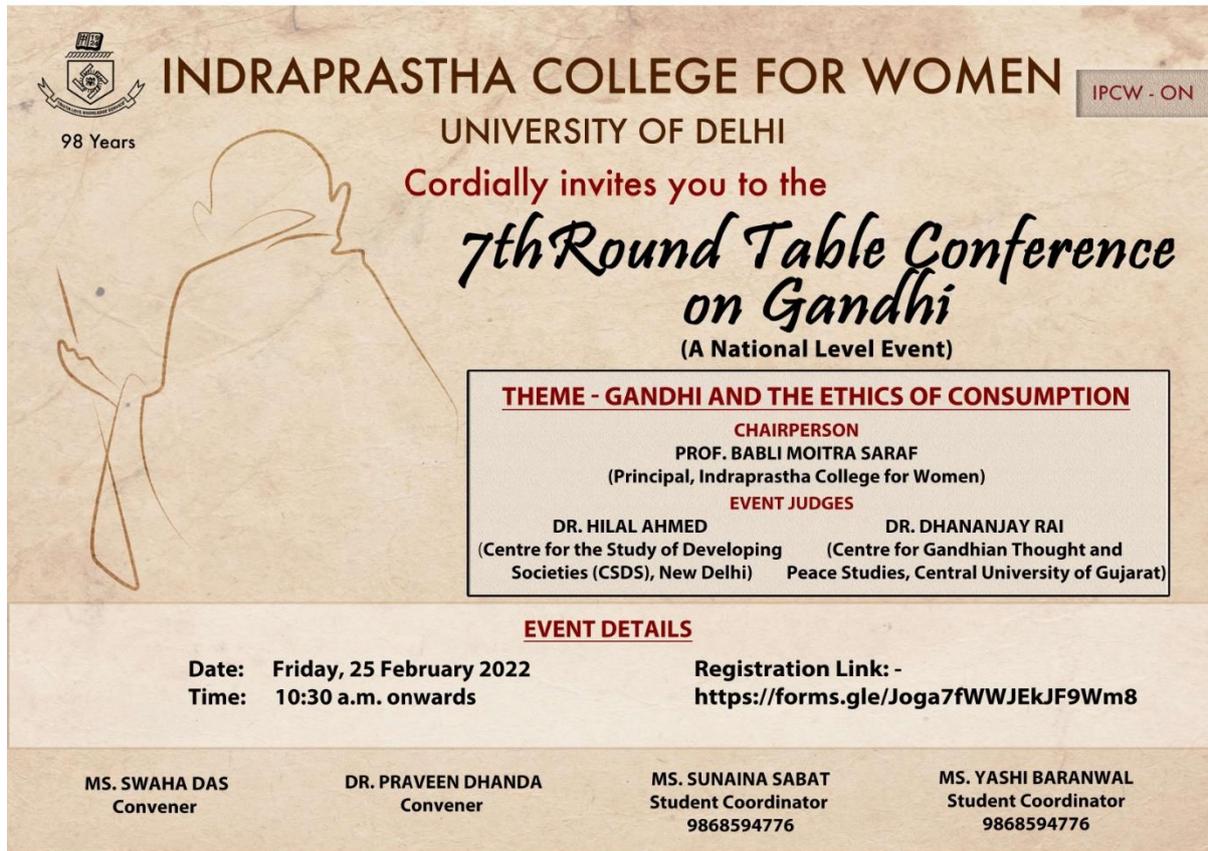
First Prize  
Rs 20,000/-

Second Prize  
Rs 15,000/-

Third Prize  
Rs 10,000/-

## Organising Committee

Prof. Babli Moitra Saraf	Chairperson
Ms Swaha Das	Convenor
Dr Praveen Dhanda	Convenor
Mr Gagan Gera	Member
Mr Mohammad Irshad	Member
Mr Vishesh Pratap Gurjar	Member
Ms Nehal Sharma	Student Member
Ms Niangkhanching	Student Member
Ms Sunaina Sabat	Student Member
Ms Yashi Baranwal	Student Member



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**7th Round Table Conference  
on Gandhi**  
(A National Level Event)

**THEME - GANDHI AND THE ETHICS OF CONSUMPTION**

**CHAIRPERSON**  
PROF. BABLI MOITRA SARAF  
(Principal, Indraprastha College for Women)

**EVENT JUDGES**

DR. HILAL AHMED (Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), New Delhi) DR. DHANANJAY RAI (Centre for Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies, Central University of Gujarat)

**EVENT DETAILS**

**Date:** Friday, 25 February 2022  
**Time:** 10:30 a.m. onwards

**Registration Link: -**  
<https://forms.gle/Joga7fWWJEkJF9Wm8>

**MS. SWAHA DAS**  
Convener

**DR. PRAVEEN DHANDA**  
Convener

**MS. SUNAINA SABAT**  
Student Coordinator  
9868594776

**MS. YASHI BARANWAL**  
Student Coordinator  
9868594776

## Prize Winners

First:

Aditi Jain and Stuti Chowdhury,  
Indraprastha College for Women

Second:

Swetarupa Mishra and Shrishti Gupta  
Indraprastha College for Women

Third:

Shourya Singh  
Indraprastha College for Women.

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4. Chamodi Sanjana Madiwila	Gandhi in Sri Lanka

**DATE: 30 April, 2022**  
**TIME: 4.00 PM**  
**VENUE: G-meet**

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/6ixKsbYZ75hPQJAK6>

For further queries, contact:  
Sunaina ( +91 86372 31660)

**Date: 31 August 2021**

**Online**

**Panel Discussion (Student)**

**‘Gandhi’s Critique of the Modern State: Perspectives, Vision and Relevance’**

**Moderator:**

**Yashi Baranwal (Semester V)**

**Participants:**

**Sunaina Sabat (Semester V),**

**Aswathy B. Surendran (Semester V)**

**and**

**Shriya Sharma (Semester III).**



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PANEL DISCUSSION

on

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### **GANDHI'S CRITIQUE OF THE MODERN STATE: PERSPECTIVES, VISION AND RELEVANCE**

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Panellists: Sunaina Sabat, Shriya Sharma and  
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Date: 31 August 2021 | Time: 4:00 PM

Register at: <https://forms.gle/iyyWcNMCaeL8n3xh9>

For any queries,

Contact: 86372 31660 (Sunaina)

**Webinar/ Lecture Series**

**The Everyday Gandhi**

**November 2021- Ongoing**

**Concept Note**

In the face of the pandemic, climate change, food crises and famines, it seems imperative that we deliberate on what is diurnal, and thus, often considered to be the mundane and the routine. The Gandhi Study Circle in its plan for 2021-22, envisages an engagement between students, academics, activists and administrators on the question of diverse and alternate ways of engaging with the everyday: food and clothing, based on ahimsa and sustainable living. This engagement would take the form of webinars, ongoing research by students and faculty members associated with the Gandhi Study Circle, student panel discussions, and other activities that may evolve over the course of this academic session.

**Webinar Series**

**Session I**

**Date: 13 November 2021**

**Mode: Online**

The Gandhi Study Circle inaugurated its webinar series ‘Gandhi and the Everyday’ with a session with Alex Jensen, researcher and co-ordinator at Local Futures, Economics of Happiness on ‘Globalization and Social-Ecological Well-Being’. In conventional development frameworks, globalization and economic growth are considered axiomatic social and political goals and desiderata, with the notion that these are necessary for well-being as taken for granted. Even many who acknowledge the ecological costs of growth-based globalization maintain that there is no other option for improving social metrics. But is this really the case? Are we becoming better off on social, personal, psychological levels even as a global ecological crisis unfolds? Is such a notion - that we could be well in a sick world - coherent? Dr. Praveen Dhandra moderated the discussion.



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## Gandhi and the Everyday

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# GLOBALIZATION AND SOCIAL-ECOLOGICAL WELL-BEING

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Discussion with:

**Alex Jensen**

Researcher and Coordinator at  
*Local Futures, Economics of  
Happiness*

Saturday, 13 November, 2021 at 8:00 PM IST

Register at: <https://forms.gle/ncftP8dyPcwQLSsz38>

For any queries,  
Contact: 8419826408 (Yashi)

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**Webinar Series**

**Session 2**

**Date: 30 December 2021**

**Mode: Online**



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**GANDHI STUDY CIRCLE and DISCUSSION FORUM**

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invites you to a webinar on

**UNDERSTANDING GANDHI:  
WHY GANDHI MATTERS TODAY**

**Speaker: Dr. Sanjeev Kumar**  
*Associate Professor,  
ZHDC, University of Delhi*

**Date: 30 December 2021**

**Time: 4 p.m.**

**Link for registration:**

**<https://forms.gle/7E1YjcWriLBDMr5n7>**

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**Webinar Series**

**Session 3**

**Date: 26 April 2022**

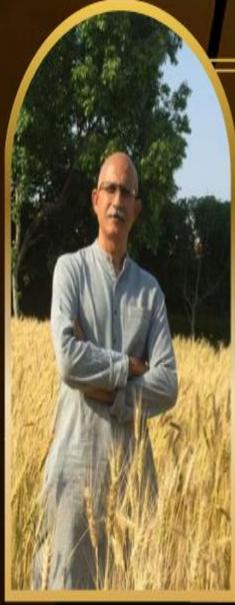
**Venue: A.V. Room, Indraprastha College for Women**

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**A LECTURE**  
*on*

**'Eating is an Agricultural Act'**



**Speaker: Harsh Singh Lohit**  
Natural Farmer, Author and Former  
Entrepreneur

**Date: 26 April 2022**

**Time: 12:30 pm**

**Venue: AV Room**

**Register Here: <https://forms.gle/h2Td4x9R1Ad8wEmd6>**

**For any queries, contact: 8637231660 (Sunaina)**

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