

## **Objectives of the Online Extension Lecture Series:**

- ◆ To provide an alternative means of classroom learning for students alongwith experiential learning
- To enable students to access broad spectrum of knowledge through ICTs & interactions with sector experts of national and international standing
- To inculcate the art and science of multi-disciplinary orientation, collaboration with peers and skills enhancement in Research, Applied Research and Extension

#### About the Theme

It is widely believed that women development is the genesis of social development. The status of women can be enhanced through education, raising awareness, and systematic training. The role of community, civil society and state is important in promoting education among the girl children and enhance their status. More so during the COVID pandemic when women are disproportionately vulnerable and stressed. Hence the talk would provide students and faculty a host of perspectives on women development & the pandemic.

### **Inaugural Address**

Prof. I. Ramabrahmam, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Odisha, an eminent scholar of international repute has kindly agreed to inaugurate the programme. He has worked in the areas of Governance, Rural Development, Higher Education and Public Policy, e-Governance, and e-Pathsala initiatives.

#### About the Speaker

Ms. Shallu Jindal, Co-Chairperson, JSPL Foundation, New Delhi is committed to create a difference and has been coherently and rationally focusing on thrust areas to impact in the development themes of Women Development, Environment, and comprehensive community development, apart from others. She would be in conversation with Mr Charudutta Panigrahi, Advisor, Central University of Odisha.

## About the Moderator

Shri Charudutta Panigrahi is an Indian futurist, an author, and a public policy expert. He is the Founder, Mentor of FIDR, a prominent multinational think tank. Charudutta wears multiple hats and works globally.

#### About the Department

The Department of Sociology is one of the founding Departments of Central University of Odisha, Koraput. It offers MA, M.Phil and Ph. D. programmes. Due to COVID-19 lockdown declared by our Prime Minister, the CUO has been organizing the innovative e-Talk series to carry forward our academic activities, unhindered, under the patronage of Prof. I. Ramabrahmam, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Odisha.

This online lecture will be coordinated by Dr. Kapila Khemundu, Head I/c, Department of Sociology, under the Advisory of the distinguish Professor P. Durgaprasad, Department of Sociology.

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