





Migration, Gender and Covid-19: Socio-Economic Aspects and Policy Perspectives

30 May 2020 Time: 3.30 pm

Objectives of the Online Extension Lecture Series:

- **To provide an alternative means of classroom learning of students and expand their academic horizons** through online interaction with academicians and development practitioners
- ***** To enable them to construct knowledge through self-reflection and articulation, and appreciate critically different strands of thoughts, perspectives and practices
- **❖** To inculcate the Art and Science of multi-disciplinary orientation, collaboration with peers and honing their skills in Research, Applied Research and Extension

About the Theme:

It highlights the emerging impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on women migrant workers, focusing on the key challenges and risks they face. Critical conceptualization of Gender as a variable in the changing precepts of both structure and function of the society is a prelude to evolving techniques in applied sociology. The COVID-19 pandemic disproportionately affects women migrant workers across Asia and the Pacific, in particular those with irregular migration status. This online lecture focuses on the emerging impacts of the pandemic on women migrant workers, their socio-economic aspects and problems associated with them in the wake of Covi-19 lockdown. The lecture recommends to support governments, donors, civil society organizations, employers and the private sector in addressing those impacts focusing on women role and responsibilities on the backdrop of present Covid-19 crisis.

Inaugural Adress

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

Dr. Anita Dash, Professor in Sociology has a career extending over a prolonged stance of thirty six years as dedicated to passionate teaching profuse research and enthusiastic activities of academic extension. Her area of teaching begins with the basics of sociology in conceptual learning and extends over the constructs of sociological theories and perspectives. She practiced intensive research in areas of sociology of Gender, and tribal studies in the Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla as an Associate Fellow. She has specialized in the domain of Gender Studies and has consulted many projects both under the State Government and the Government of India. She has enormously guided scholars at doctoral, M. Phil and also post- graduate level of sociology. She is internationally renowned as the Gender representative of South East Asia convening important session in ISA Conferences and Women World Meet. She has spoken in various academic panels both in and out of India.

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 India's Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi, the online lecture series has been organizing to carry forward our academic activities under the patronage of Prof. I. Ramabrahmam, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Odisha.

This online lecture will be coordinated by Dr. Nupur Pattanaik under the guidance of Dr. Kapila Khemundu, Head I/c, Department of Sociology.

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