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### **SESSION-1 (INAGURAL)**

Chair: **Dr. Pramod Jaiswal**, Research Director, Nepal Institute for International Cooperation and Engagement.

- Mr. Pradeep Kumar Gyawali, Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Nepal.
- Mr. Jairam Ramesh, Member of Parliament, Rajyasabha, India.
- Dr. Abdulla Rasheed Ahmed, Honourable Minister of State for Education, Republic of Maldives.
- **Dr. Rajan Bhattarai**, Foreign Affairs Advisor to the Prime Minister of Nepal.
- Dr. Sudha Sharma, Former Health Secretary, Nepal.
- Dr. Lin Hongyu, Professor and Dean, College of International Relations, HuaQiao University, Xiamen, China, The Impact of COVID-19 on Major Power Relations.
- Mr. Seshadri Chari, Strategy and Foreign Policy Analyst, India.
- Mr. Raosaheb Bawaskar, Director, Water Policy Center, India, Vote of Thanks.

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#### **SESSION-2**

Chair: **Prof. Swaran Singh**, Chairperson, Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.

- C. Lalremsiami, Assistant Professor, Government Mamit College, India, The South China Sea: Post-Pandemic Order.
- Dr. Swasti Rao, Assistant Professor, Department of Strategic and Security Studies, Faculty of International Studies, Aligarh Muslim University, India, Surveillance State, Security and Pandemic: A Study of China and Russia.
- Dr. Shreya Pandey, Former Fellow, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, India, European Union and the Pandemic: An Analysis of the European Union's COVID-19 Response and Preparedness.
- Md Yasin, PhD Candidate at School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, China in the United Nations Peacekeeping Operations: Motivation and Contribution.

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#### **SESSION-3**

Chair: **Prof. Sanjay K Bhardwaj**, Centre for South Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.

- Amb Anil Trigunayat, Distinguished Fellow, Vivekananda International Foundation, India, and Visiting Fellow, NIICE, India's Foreign Policy Challenges in the Post COVID-19.
- Prof. Khadga K.C., Head, Department of International Relations and Diplomacy, Tribhuvan University, Nepal, Global and Regional Scenario and Nepal's Foreign Policy Ahead.
- Dr. Rajiv Ranjan, Assistant Professor, Shanghai University, Visiting Fellow, ICS, India and NIICE, Nepal, Post-COVID-19 World Order: Political System, Leadership and Governance.
- Astha Chadha, Graduate Student, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Japan, Impact of India's COVID-19 Strategy and Its Implications for its Role in the Indo Pacific.
- Dr. Priya Kumari, Assistant Professor, Lady Shri Ram College, University of Delhi, India, India and the European Union: A Multilateral World Order.

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#### **SESSION-4**

Chair: **Amb. Dr. Shambhu Ram Simkhada**, Member and Chair-Academic Sub-Committee, Infrastructure Development Committee, National Defence University, Nepal,

- Dr. Netajee Abhinandan, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, School of Social Sciences, Ravenshaw University, India and Director of Kalinga Institute of Indo-Pacific Studies, India, The Evolving Power Relations in Indo-Pacific: Options and Opportunities for India.
- Dr. Angira Sen Sarma, Assistant Professor, Centre for Development Studies, University of Allahabad, India, COVID-19 and India's Health Diplomacy.
- **Prof. Anubhuti Yadav**, Head, Department of New Media and Information Technology Course Director, Advertising and Public Relations Indian Institute of Mass Communication, India, **Digital Media in Post COVID-19 World.**
- Lobzang Dorji, Lecturer, Sherubtse College, Royal University of Bhutan, Bhutan, China-India-Bhutan Trilateral Relations.

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Chair: **Amb. Ashok Sajjanhar**, Distinguished Fellow, Ananta Aspen Center, India.

- Dr. Bharti Chhibber, Professor, University of Delhi, India, India-ASEAN Relations and the Emerging Contours of Security in the Post-Pandemic Indo-Pacific Region.
- Dr. Nanda Kishor M S, Associate Professor, Department of Geopolitics and International Relations, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India, Democracy, Leaders and Governance in the Post-Pandemic World Order.
- Dr. Sanjeev Humagain, Visiting Faculty, Nepal Open University, Nepal, Pandemic, Power and Alliance: Why We Need to Focus on Failure of G-20 to Predict the New Era?
- Dr. Gulbin Sultana, Research Analyst, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, India, Impact of COVID-19 on the Maldivian Economy.

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Chair: **Major General BK Sharma**, Director, United Service Institution of India, India.

- Dr. Amit Singh, Assistant Professor, ARSD College, University of Delhi, India, South China Sea Dispute: An Indian Perspective.
- Dr. Aravind Yelery, Faculty, HSBC Business School, Peking University, China, Guns, Germs and Steel in the 21st Century: How the US is Giving Away to China, A Peking Man's View.
- Sanjeev Shrivastav, Assistant Professor, University of Delhi, India China's BRI and United States Indo-Pacific Strategy: Challenges and Prospects for Rule-based International Order.
- Dr. Aradhana Shampal Talwar, Visiting Fellow, NIICE, The Question of Uyghurs in China and International Politics.
- Sachin Tiwari & Ankita Gothwal, Doctoral Candidate, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, India, Lead From Behind? US Leadership, Pandemic and Global Order.

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Chair: **Viktoria Ivanchenko**, Visiting Fellow, NIICE and Analyst, Russian Foreign Trade Academy, Russia.

- Prof. Liyaqat Ayub Khan, Department of Civics and Politics University of Mumbai, India, New Tools of Foreign Policy in Post Pandemic World.
- Dr. Aslam Khan, Department of Gandhian and Peace Studies Mahatma Gandhi Central University, India, Power Hegemony and Fractured World Order.
- Dr. Reshmi Kazi, Associate Professor, Jamia Millia Islamia, India, The New Nuclear Threat and the World Order.
- Dr. V. Lenin Kumar, Assistant Professor, School of Government, MIT World Peace University, India, Post COVID-19 World order and Democratization of International Institution.

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Chair: **Dr. Saraswathi Unni**, Senior Research Fellow, Water Policy Center, India.

- Swechhya Sangroula, Assistant Professor, Kathmandu School of Law, Purbanchal University, Nepal, Human Rights Audit of Pharmaceutical Companies and Health Sector during COVID-19 Crisis.
- Dr. Anna Velikaya, Research Fellow, Primakov National Research Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia, Russian Humanitarian Diplomacy During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Foreign Policy and Public Diplomacy Goals.
- Suchismita Das, Research Scholar, Jadavpur University, India, Impact of COVID-19 on Indian Migrant Workers.
- Dr. Sonali Singh, Assistant Professor, Jai Prakash Mahila College, Jai Prakash University, India, Vaccine Diplomacy: Who Gets it, When and How?

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Chair: **Dr. Mirza Zulfiqur Rahman**, Visiting Research Associate, Institute of Chinese Studies, India.

- Dr. Faisal Ahmed, Associate Professor, FORE School of Management, New Delhi, India, Water-Related Climate Vulnerabilities and Ocean Diplomacy in South Pacific.
- Prof. Ghaida Aburumman, Isra University President Assistant for International Affairs, Executive Director, Continued Education and Community Service Center, Jordan, Water Situation in Jordan and Neighbors Countries.
- Dr. Ruchi Shree, Assistant Professor, PG Department of Political Science, Tilka Majhi Bhagalpur University, India, Dream of Piped Water amid ongoing COVID-19 Crisis: Plight of Women in Sangam Vihar (New Delhi).
- Amb. Mohan Krishna Shrestha, Former Ambassador of Nepal to France & Founder President of CDD, Nepal's Foreign Policy: Challenges and Opportunities.
- Dr. Aparna, Assistant Professor, Department of Politics and International Relations, Central University of Jharkhand, India, India-China Border Dispute: Is there any Way Forward?
- Joyeeta Bhattacharjee, Senior Fellow, Observer Research Foundation, India, SAARC and BIMSTEC: Are these Organisations Competing or Complementing each other?

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Chair: Prof. Chintamani Mahapatra, Rector, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.

- Dr. Irina Ionela Pop, Director & Senior Research Fellow, Asia-Pacific Programme, Centre for Geopolitics & Security in Realism Studies, UK, Post-Pandemic World Order: Governance, Strategies and Soft Diplomacy.
- Prof. Sumit Ganguly, Distinguished Professor, Political Science and Tagore Chair in Indian Cultures and Civilizations, Indiana University, Bloomington, US, South Asia After the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- Dr. Ariel Gonzalez Levaggi, Executive Secretary, Center for International Studies of the Pontifical Catholic University of Argentina, Latin America in the Post-Pandemic World Order: Prospects and Challenges.
- Dr. Amit Gupta, Associate Professor, USAF Air War College, US, Pandemic Security and World Order.
- Leonid Nersisyan, CEO, Armenian Research & Development Institute, Armenia, Future of Warfare: Technologies and Strategy.
- Prof. Timofei Bordachev, Centre for Comprehensive European and International Studies, Higher School of Economics, Russia, Russia and the Conflict Between China and the United States.

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## **SESSION-11 (INAGURAL)**

Chair: **Dr. Deepak Prakash Bhatt**, *Member of Parliament*, *Nepal*.

- **Prof. Swaran Singh**, Chairman, Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, Reading Post-COVID-19 China: What Sun Tzu tell us.
- Amb. Dr. Shambhu Ram Simkhada, Member and Chair-Academic Sub-Committee, Infrastructure Development Committee, National Defence University, Nepal, Post-Pandemic World Order: Search for a New or Rush Back to the Old.
- Prof. Sanjay K Bhardwaj, Centre for South Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, Indian Foreign Policy in Emerging World Order.
- Prof. Shahab Enam Khan, Department of International Relations, Jahangirnagar University, Bangladesh and Visiting Fellow, NIICE, South Asian Regional Cooperation in post COVID-19 World Order.

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#### SESSION-12

Chair: **Dr. Lila Nyaichyai**, Assistant Professor, Tribhuvan University, Nepal.

- Dr. Puyam Rakesh Singh, Former Research Fellow, Indian Council of World Affairs, India, China's BRI and the US's Indo Pacific Strategy.
- Sunil Mishra, Student, Department of International Relations and Diplomacy, Tribhuvan University, Nepal, Belt and Road Initiative: A Comparison on Soft Power based Economic Diplomacy Employed with Partner Countries.
- Vithiyapathy Purushothaman, PhD Scholar, University of Science and Technology of China, China, Post Pandemic Global Health Diplomacy and Health Silk Road.
- Mitra Bandhu Poudel, Principal, LACM, & Doctoral Candidate, Swiss Management Center University, Switzerland, BRI, Financial Distress and Corporate Governance: A Cross-country Analysis.

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Chair: Dr. Monish Tourangbam, Senior Assistant Professor Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India and Visiting Fellow, NIICE.

- Dr. Mohammad Najeeb Azizi, Senior Fellow, Afghanistan Information Services and Skills Organization, The Peace Process in Afghanistan and its Impact in South Asian Region in Post-Pandemic Era.
- Jay Nishaant, President, Nepal Democracy Foundation, Nepal's Self Imposed Dilemma with BRI and IPS.
- Dr. Dhananjay Tripathi, Senior Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations, South Asian University, India, Post COVID-19 South Asia and Possibilities for South Asian Integration.
- Dr.Yasmin Sattar, Faculty of Political Science, Prince of Songkla University, Thailand, Challenges of Thailand's Politics amidst and after COVID-19.

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#### **SESSION-14**

Chair: **Dr. Uma Purushothaman**, Assistant Professor, Central University of Kerala, India.

- Prof. Lipi Ghosh, Professor, University of Calcutta, India, New Normal Education in Post Pandemic India.
- Prof. AKM Mazharul Islam, Professor, SUST and BRAC University, Bangladesh, COVID-19 and Education.
- Dr. Deepti Bajpai Mishra, Resource person in Education, School of open learning, Delhi University, India, Transition in Teaching-Learning in the Post-Pandemic Era.
- Shreshtha Chowdhury, Research Scholar, Jadavpur University, India, Impact of School Closure among Young Girls in COVID-19.

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#### **SESSION-15**

Chair: **Dr. Bishnu Raj Upreti**, Executive Chairperson, Policy Research Institute, Nepal.

- Dr. Sujit Kumar Datta, Associate Professor, Department of International Relations, University of Chittagong, Bangladesh, China and India in South Asia: A Transformative Relationship (1988 to 2020).
- Jumel Gabilan Estrañero, Research Analyst & Desk Officer, Office of the President and Senior Lecturer, Lyceum of the Philippines, Traditional and Non-Traditional Security Threats in Post COVID-19 Era: Global & Regional Risks, Power Shift, and Trade Supply Chain Dynamics.
- Asma Khalid, Visiting Fellow, Stimson Center, Washington DC, US, COVID-19: Traditional and Non-traditional Security Threats in South Asia.
- Dr. Nishu Sharma, Post-Doc Fellow, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, Redefining Non-traditional Security Threats: Post-COVID-19 Discourse.

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Chair: **Prof. Liyaqat Ayub Khan,** Department of Civics and Politics University of Mumbai, India.

- Dr. Manas Beher, Head, Department of Political Science, R. D. Women's University Bhubaneswar, India, Challenges and Opportunities for a Multipolar World Order in Post Pandemic.
- Dr. Priyadarsini Sahu, Assistant Professor, NAC College, Sambalpur University, India, Cascading Economic Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic in India.
- **Divya Chopra**, Student, Daulat Ram College, University Of Delhi, India, **Pandemic and Environment**.
- Dr. Bhanwar Vishvendra Raj Singh, Assistant Professor, Mohanlal Sukhadia University, India, Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Environmental Resources from Global to Local Scale.

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#### **SESSION-17**

Chair: **Dr. Peter Chang Thiam Chai**, Deputy Director, Institute of China Studies University of Malaya, Malaysia.

- Dr. Reena Marwah, Associate Professor, Jesus and Mary College, Contemporary Geopolitics: Options for ASEAN.
- Shrabana Barua, Research Associate, NIICE and PhD Candidate at Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, Infrastructure and Influence: The Case of China in Myanmar.
- Dr. Athulasiri Kumara Samarakoon, Senior Lecturer in Politics and IR, Open University of Sri Lanka, (Im)possibility of Neutrality or Lack of Commitment? Understanding Sri Lanka's Foreign Policy towards Major Powers in the Post-War Period.
- Monoj Das, Assistant Professor, Centre for South East Asian Studies, Gauhati University, India, Intra-State Water Discords and Federal Tensions in Pakistan.

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Chair: **Prof. Maxim Khomyakov**, *Professor*, *Higher School of Economics*, *National Research University*, *Saint-Petersburg*, *Russia*.

- Amb. Tomasz Lukaszuk, University of Warsaw, Poland, South Asia and China The Clash of Two Models of Development.
- Ramya Panuganty, PhD Candidate, South Asian University, India, China's BRI in Myanmar: Is Beijing's Footprint Strong?
- Dr. Nuzhat Nazneen, Guest Faculty, Amity University, India, Paradigm Shift in Power Definition: Role of Reviving Ideological Blocs.
- Dr. Monish Tourangbam, Senior Assistant Professor Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India and Visiting Fellow, NIICE, COVID-19, US Election and What Lies Ahead for US Foreign Policy.

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#### **SESSION-19**

Chair: **Dr. Amit Gupta**, Associate Professor, USAF Air War College, US.

- Dr. Mehmet Ozkan, Senior Fellow at Center for Global Policy, Washington DC, USA, Global Politics is Again local?: State Capacity, Populism and International Cooperation.
- Benjamin Mwadi Makengo, PhD Candidate, School of Politics and International Studies, Central China Normal University, Post-COVID-19 World Politics and Conservative-Progressive Competition: Africa in a Complex Dilemma?
- Ararat Kostanian, Junior Fellow, Oriental Studies Institute, National Academy of Science of Armenia, **The Multilateral** World in International Relations.
- Sanjay Pulipaka, Senior Fellow, Delhi Policy Group, India, COVID-19 and the International Order.
- Jyotsna Mehra, Gradudate of Modern South Asian Studies, St Antony's College, University of Oxford, UK and and Consultant at MEA India, Indo-Pacific in the Post-COVID-19 International Order.

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Chair: **Prof. Sumit Ganguly**, Distinguished Professor, Political Science and Tagore Chair in Indian Cultures and Civilizations, Indiana University, Bloomington, US.

- Amb. Ashok Sajjanhar, Distinguished Fellow, Ananta Aspen Center, India, COVID-19 and Multilateralism.
- Prof. Shyam Tekwani, Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies, US, Terrorism and Counter Terrorism in the time of COVID-19.
- Dr. Satoru Nagao, Visiting Fellow, Hudson Institute, US, How India, the United States, Japan, and Australia Can Strengthen and Support Taiwan.
- Dr. Rajeswari (Raji) Pillai Rajagopalan, Distinguished Fellow and Head, Nuclear & Space Policy Initiative, Observer Research Foundation, India, Future of Indo-Pacific Strategic Order.
- Dr. Smruti S Pattanaik, Research Fellow, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies & Analyses, India, Global Power Transition and India.
- Khin Maung Soe, Advisor, Myanmar Institute of Strategic and International Studies, Myanmar, Avoiding Extinction by Promoting Internationalism Amid Power Transition and COVID-19: Securing the Stable, Strong and Strategic Collaboration for the Actualization of the 21st Century as Asian Century.

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## **SESSION-21 (INAGURAL)**

Chair: **Raosaheb Bawaskar**, Director, Water Policy Center, India.

- Prof. Balveer Arora, Chairman, Centre for Multilevel Federalism, Institute of Social Sciences, India, Water for Everyone Forever: Water Federalism and Sustainable Solutions.
- Dr. Punit Gaur, Director, Center for G-Global and Global Silk Way Project Development, Eurasian National University, Kazakhstan, Geopolitics in Central Asia in Post-COVID-19 World.
- Dr Anmol Mukhia, Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Higher School of Economics, Russia and Faculty, Department of International Relations, Sikkim University, India, COVID-19 and Human Security: Response to Non-Traditional Security Threats.
- Dr. Maria Sailo, Former Assistant Professor, St. Joseph's College of Arts and Science, COVID-19: Race and Ethnic Disparity in the State of California.

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Chair: **Shakti Sinha**, Director, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Policy Research and International Studies, MS University, India.

- Dr. Gadde Omprasad, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Sikkim University, India, COVID-19 and India-China Border Trade through Nathu La.
- Namrata Hasija, Research Fellow, Centre for China Analysis and Strategy, India, CPEC: An Unfinished Business?
- Manish Dabhade, Assistant Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, Transformation of Diplomacy: The COVID-19 Effect.
- Anushka Saxena, Researcher, Nepal Institute for International Cooperation and Engagement, Nepal, The Biological Weapons Convention: Problems and Solutions.

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#### SESSION-23

Chair: **Amb. Vishnu Prakash**, Former Diplomat, Government of India.

- Angshuman Choudhury, Senior Researcher, Southeast Asia Research Programme, Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, India, Regionalism at the Crossroads: Navigating Crises and Flux in the BIMSTEC Region.
- Dr. Aparajita, Assistant Professor, G.J. College, Patliputra University, India, COVID-19 and the Revival of the SAARC.
- Dr. Hoimonti Barua, Research Associate, NIICE, India, Bangladesh and China.
- Priyanjali Simon, Student, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India, China's Health Diplomacy Towards the European Union and its Implications.

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#### **SESSION-24**

Chair: **Prof. Yoichiro Sato**, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Japan.

- Dr. Koyel Basu, Assistant Professor, Jangipur College, India, Media in the Times of COVID-19: Responsibilities and Relevance.
- Ramu C M, PhD Candidate, Department of Geopolitics and International Relations, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India, Big Oil in the Post-COVID-19 Scenario: Caught between Resilience and Transition?
- Dr. Sushmita Rajwar, Assistant Professor, Maharaja Agrasen College, University of Delhi, India, Diaspora as a Factor in India-Africa Relations in the Post-Pandemic World Order.
- Utkarsha Mahajan, Research Fellow at Water Policy Center, PhD candidate, Department of Geopolitics and International Relations Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India, Role of Space Sector in the Post-pandemic World Order.

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Chair: **Dr. Deepa Rohit Kamat**, Associate Professor, Welingkar Institute of Management, India.

- Dr. Paul Rozario, Head, Department of Political Science, Sophia College, India, The Impact of COVID-19 on World Trade.
- Bansari Kamdar, Independent Journalist and Student at University of Massachusetts-Boston, US, COVID-19 Pushes Women's Employment in India to the Edge.
- Ruwanthi Jayasekara, Research Assistant, Institute of National Security Studies Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka in the Indo-Pacific Strategy: Post Pandemic World.
- Azrin Afrin, Lecturer, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, Impacts of COVID-19 on Migration Pattern and Issues in Solving the Crisis.

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Chair: **Manish Dabhade**, Assistant Professor, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.

- Dr. Nausheen Wasi, Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations, University of Karachi, Pakistan, Post COVID-19 Politics: New Features and Concerns.
- Abdul Muheet Chowdhary, Senior Programme Officer, South Centre, Switzerland, Role of International Tax Reform in Financing COVID-19 Response.
- Dr. Vaishali Raghuvanshi, Assistant Professor, Banaras Hindu University, India, The Quest for New World Order in the Post-Pandemic Times.
- Dr. Sampa Kundu, Assistant Professor, Amity University, India, The Future of India's Sub-Regionalism: Connecting the Missing Links.

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#### SESSION-27

Chair: **Prof. Arvind Kumar**, Head, Department of Geopolitics and International Relations, Manipal Academy of Higher Education, India.

- Dr. J. Jeganaathan, Assistant Professor, Department of National Security, Central University of Jammu, India, Border and Transboundary Water Issues.
- Dr. Kishwar Munir, Assistant Professor, School of Integrated Social Science, University of Lahore and Research Fellow, Centre for Security Strategy and Policy Research, Pakistan, Trans-boundary Water Conflicts: A Case Study of Indus Waters Treaty.
- Dr. Mahnaz Zahirinejad, Institute of Mediterranean and Oriental Cultures, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland, The Role of EU in the Middle East Post COVID-19: The Gas Pipeline Network.
- Dr. Shantesh Kumar Singh, Associate Professor, Central University Haryana, India, Infectious Diseases and Future of Non-Traditional Threats to National Security.

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Chair: **Maj. Gen. Binoj Basnyat**, *Political and Security Analyst, Nepal.* 

- Afzalur Rahman, Lecturer, Department of International Relations, University of Chittagong, Bangladesh, COVID-19 and the Beginning of a New World Order: An Overview.
- Dr. Uma Purushothaman, Assistant Professor, Central University of Kerala, India, Trends in the Post COVID-19 World Order: India's Options.
- Dr. Ashish Shukla, Research Faculty, Indian Council of World Affairs, India, Post-COVID-19 World Order: An Indian Perspective.
- Dr. Binayak Sundas, Assistant Professor, Centre For Himalayan Studies, University of North Bengal, India, The Rise of the 'Local' in a Global Pandemic: Understanding the Role of Local Community, it's Power Structures and the Conflict therein, in Kalimpong During the Corona Containment Effort.

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Chair: **Prof. Dolly Sunny**, Mumbai School of Economics and Public Policy, University of Mumbai, India.

- Dr. Bisswajit Mohapatra, Associate Professor, Politics and International Relations, North Eastern Hill University, India, Global Governance and Institutions.
- Sreoshi Sinha, Research Associate, Centre For Air Power Studies, India, India's Rising Supremacy in the Post COVID-19 era.
- Tridivesh Singh Maini, Faculty, OP Jindal Global University, India, COVID-19 and its Impact on Remittances to South Asia.
- Vikash Chandra, Assistant Professor, Kaashi Naresh Government Post Graduate College, India, The Impact of COVID-19 on the Liberal International Order.

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Chair: **Dr. Mahfuz Kabir**, Research Director, Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies.

- Ladhu Ram Choudhary, Assistant Professor Department of Political Science, University of Rajasthan, India, The Impact of COVID-19 on the Notion of Power in International Relations.
- Sayam Moktan, PhD Candidate, Department of Political Science, University of Cincinnati, USA, Migration and Demography in South Asia.
- Binita Verma, Research Scholar, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, The Strategic Importance of the Arctic Region: Role of Great Powers amid COVID-19 Fight.
- Amal Anzari, Student, Stella Maris College, India, Redefining Traditional and Non-Traditional Security Threats in a Post COVID-19 World Order.

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