



**SCHOOL OF GOVERNANCE
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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE | NITI ARAMBH 2022

**HUMAN RIGHTS AND
CITIZENSHIP IN A
CHANGING WORLD
ORDER**

**10-11 FEBRUARY
(VIRTUAL)**



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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The vast changes that are happening in the world of international relations are of great relevance to the study of Public Affairs and Governance. The epoch-making event of the Covid-19 pandemic is said to have created some fundamental changes in our lives and in our world. The pandemic has strengthened nation-states and has strengthened national borders. Free movement of people – a dream of the liberal international mission that dominated international politics for several decades – has been curtailed. In the West, debates rage about the limits to freedom placed by a suddenly coercive state. In the global South, many states have utilized the pandemic to impose further authoritarian regulations stifling social and protest movements. The harsh and sudden lockdowns imposed by states also resulted in catastrophic consequences particularly for the poor – exemplified by the migrant labour crisis in India in 2020.

Apart from the pandemic, various geopolitical events, especially the astonishing takeover of Afghanistan by the Taliban, make us ask several questions on how the post-pandemic world would look like and what would it mean for the people of the world and the idea of human rights. What would the closing of borders mean for the free movement of people? How do the recent geopolitical fallouts and the refugee crises they created to impact the rights of refugees? How do these factors help in the othering of ‘outsiders’ as distinct from ‘citizens’? Whether the West-led liberal international order and its international institutions still hold relevance or are we witnessing a new world order with a retreating West and a resurgent China and many ‘illiberal’ authoritarian states that are inspired by its model of governance? These are some of the questions that the debates on global governance and global public policy have to occupy themselves with, in our current times.

This conference would attempt to address, debate, criticize and reflect on these newly emerging complex problems of our times under three sub-themes – the contested politics of migration and citizenship, the recent rise of authoritarianism and restrictions of rights, and the politics of the environment, climate change, and post-human rights.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

DAY 1 : THURSDAY 10TH FEBRUARY, 2022

6 : 00 pm – 6 : 30 pm **Welcome/Inauguration**
Felicitation of National Quiz winners on the Indian constitution.

Chairperson

Dr Fr Antony R. Uvari, S.J.

Vice-Chancellor

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Welcome Address

Prof. S. Peppin

Dean, School of Governance and Public Affairs

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DAY 1 : THURSDAY 10TH FEBRUARY, 2022

6 : 30 pm - 7 : 30 pm Keynote Lecture

"GLOBALIZATION, DEGLOBALIZATION, AND THE LIBERAL INTERNATIONAL ORDER"

Professor T. V. Paul

James McGill Professor of International Relations
Department of Political Science
McGill University, Montreal, Canada



DAY 2 : FRIDAY 11TH FEBRUARY, 2022

10: 00 am - 11: 15 am Panel I

"ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND POST HUMAN RIGHTS"

Chair : Dr. Dhanasree Jayaram (Assistant Professor, Manipal University, Manipal)



Moderator : Prof Manoj Kar (Professor, SGPA, XIM University)



"Anthropocentricism to Posthumanism: Reflections on Transboundary Water Discourses from South Asia"

Raj Kaithwar (University of New South Wales, Canberra, Australia)



"Key Political Concepts in Speculative Posthuman and Transhuman Security"

Pratyush Ranjan (Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur)



"Effects of climate change on human rights degradation in the third pole and its impact on the neighbouring states"

Lhoga (Reva University, Bangalore)



"Climate Change as a threat to Human Security : A case study of the Sunderbans"

Rituja Ghosh (South Asian University, New Delhi)



11: 30 am – 01.00 am Panel II

THE CONTESTED POLITICS OF MIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP

Chair : Dr. Adil Hossain (Assistant Professor, Azim Premji University, Bangalore)



Moderator : Johnny Arokiaraj P (Lecturer, SGPA, XIM University)



“Wall art wave in Sri Lanka : Sinhala Buddhist Militarized Male Body as an Authoritarian Populist Space”

Anushka Kahandagama (University of Otago, New Zealand)



“Fake news and religion in the Pandemic”

Kalyan Kumar K (University of Bath, UK)



“The crisis in Afghanistan and the question of refugees”

Najibullah Faizy (Galgotias University, Noida)



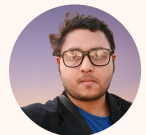
“Identity and State Failure in Afghanistan”

Rustam Ali Seerat (South Asian University, New Delhi)



“Becoming foreigners in 1962: A discussion around the loss of citizenship rights of the Indian-Chinese”

Abir Lal Mazumdar (South Asian University & Anthropological Survey of India)



2 : 30 pm – 4 : 00 pm Panel III

THE RECENT RISE OF AUTHORITARIANISM AND RESTRICTION OF RIGHTS

Chair : Professor Dr. Paramjyot Singh (XLRI Jamshedpur)



Moderator : Dr Vaishali Singh (Assistant Professor, SGPA, XIM University)



“The Covid-19 Pandemic and State Apparatuses: A Study of Executive Authoritarianism and Violation of Citizen’s Rights in India”

Shadab Anis (National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi)



“Torture and Custodial death: A case study of Police brutality in Sathankulam district, Tamil Nadu”

Yashmita Singh (National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi)



“Deterrence by Detention: A study of Indian NRC and Indefinite Detention”

Aakash Chandran (Independent International Law Researcher, New Delhi)



“The covid 19 pandemic lockdown and migrant crisis in India”

Dolkar Lhamo (Reva University, Bangalore)



“Incarceration in the USA : A Neoliberal Connection”

Meheli Roy Choudhury (XIM University, Odisha)



DAY 2: VALEDICTION AND VOTE OF THANKS, 4.15 PM

Chairperson

Prof. Fr S. Antony Raj, S.J., Registrar
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CONFERENCE SUMMARY

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Vote of Thanks

Dr. Santap Sanhari Misra (Associate Professor, SGPA,
XIM University)



BEST PAPER AWARDS

The 3 best papers presented in the conference will receive cash prizes of INR 10,000, 8,000 and 5,000 respectively. The best papers will be announced on Feb 21, 2022

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