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Workshop / Seminar / Conference 2020-2021

<u>Three-Day Webinar</u> <u>On 01.07.2020 - 03.07.2020</u>

The Department of **Economics**, Victoria Institution (College) organized three days Webinar on **'ECONOMIC,** SOCIAL AND **PSYCHOLOGICAL CRISIS IN THE** TIME OF **LOCKDOWN-AN INDIAN PERSPECTIVE'.**

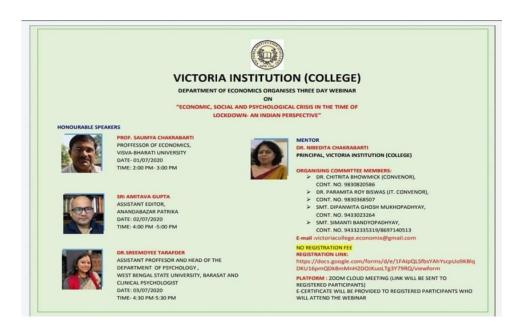


Although the fight against COVID-19 has been repeatedly projected as a war against a natural calamity and a crippling burden is thrust upon the informal economy – farm and especially non-farm – through an impromptu imposition of nation-wide lockdown, the truth is that, it is the greed of global capital that was instrumental in inviting the disease, creating the pandemic and its associated insecurity and deep pessimism. Hence, the onus cannot be put on the suffering multitudes. The State has to bear the responsibility.



The objective of the three day webinar organised online by the Department of Economics, Victoria Institution (College) from 1st to 3rd July 2020 was to discuss and understand the economic, social and psychological impact of Covid 19 pandemic. The speakers were Dr. Saumya Chakraborty, Professor of Economics of Viswabharati University who discussed the economic impact of covid 19 pandemic and some short, medium and long-run measures to sustain life during the unprecedented emergency and resurrect the economy in the post COVID-19 world.

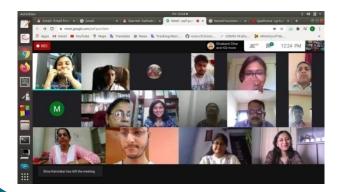
Journalist **Amitava Gupta** from Anandabazar Patrika highlighted the social impact of the covid pandemic.He put stress on immediate arrangements for provisioning of food and nonfood essentials through judicious cash transfers.. Finally, the psychological impact of Covid pandemic and the ensuing lockdown was discussed **by Dr. Sreemoyee Tarafdar**, Assistant Professor of Psychology of Barasat State University, who is at the same time is a psychological counsellor. The psychological stress suffered by all including the students and the way to recovery and rehabilitation were discussed in detail by the speaker. The deliberations by the eminent speakers were followed by question answer sessions in all three days of the webinar. The participants asked questions with great enthusiasm while the experts painstakingly replied to their queries



<u>Web Based Workshop on</u> <u>Teaching Physics at the UG & PG Level using Python</u> <u>during July 6th - 10th 2020</u>

The Python Language has emerged as an efficient tool of carrying out cutting edge computational research and hence it is an important part of science teaching at different levels. The solution to problems along with visual representations of the same is believed to effectively articulate the associated methodologies and has been an impetus to the widespread usage of this tool. In this light, the VIC, Kolkata, in collaboration with the UGC-DAE CSR, Kolkata Centre, organized a workshop on Python, on a digital platform.

E-Workshop highlighted The the application of Python, to complement the conventional classroom teaching at the UG & PG level, particularly in the context of the Mathematical topics such as Methods, Statistical Physics and Quantum Mechanics, along with others, that are typically covered in the Physics curriculum at the UG / PG level. The workshop was attended by about 180 participants, comprising of both students as well as faculty members, from regions across the country.



The inaugural session was addressed by following dignitaries, Dr. Nibedita the Chakrabarti, Principal, Victoria Institution (College), Kolkata, Dr. A K Sinha, Director, UGC DAE CSR, Indore and Dr. Abhijit Saha, Centre Director, UGC DAE CSR, Kolkata Amitava Raychaudhuri, Centre. Professor Emeritus, University of Calcutta, delivered the key note address, which highlighted the relevance of numerical computations in various branches of Physics, and its evolution since its inception. The workshop was preceded with a pre-workshop session on 4th July 2020, wherein support was extended to the participants to get Python installed on their respective systems. Besides ensuring that majority of participants had a working Python toolkit on their systems, this efforts to a large extent helped identify and address the technical issues with this novel digital platform, which resulted in a glitch free running of the entire workshop. The workshop was conducted daily in to two sessions which were complimented by discussions on the digital platform, to address the queries and concerns of the participants. The resource personnel for this workshop were Dr. S S Ghugre, UGC DAE CSR, KC and Ms Kathakali Biswas, Victoria Institution (College).

Web Based Workshop on Teaching Physics at the UG & PG Level using Python Organized by Department of Physics, Victoria Institution (College), 78 B, A P C Road, Kolkata-700000 In collaboration with UGC-DAE Consortium for Scientific Research, Kolkata Centre Sector III, LB-8, Bidhannagar, Kolkata 700 106 July 6th – 10th 2020	

Learning Physics through Python.

UGC-DAE Consortium for Scientific Research, Kolkata Centre, is in the process of developing a range of innovative, low cost teaching tools based on the routinely available resources for the undergraduates. These tools are expected to be illustrative and contribute in their understanding of the basics of the subject, apart from rejuvenating the fun factor in the learning process. And all this with an accompanying rigor on the extracted numbers ! The Kolkata Centre of the Consortium, has been hosting and supporting such innovative endeavors for College and University community across the country.

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The target audience primarily would be a group of selected faculty members / students, from colleges and the objective would be to create a sustained culture for such innovative teaching methodology.

The participation to this workshop is by nomination. The Head of the Department / Institution may recommend the names of few faculty members / students from UG / PG section (previous & final year) for the purpose. An order of preference may please be indicated against the names of the recommended participants. Owing to very limited resources, we are apologetic that it might not be possible to honour all the recommendations. Kindly include the contact details (mobile & email) of the recommended participants in the communication.

The recommendations may please be sent (electronically) at the earliest (on or before July 1st 2020) to, Dr, Subhendu Chandra, Convenor. The exact platform for hosting the lectures and the resources along with other details shall be eventually communicated to the registered participants.

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<u>Webinar on Need of the Hour Amidst</u> <u>Pandemicity : Immunological &</u> <u>Psychological with Special Attention to</u> <u>Students on 15.07.2020</u>

A Webinar on Need of the Hour Amidst Pandemicity: Immunological & Psychological with Special Attention to Students was organized by the Dept. of Botany and Dept. of Zoology on 15.07.2020.

The year 2020 brought us face to face with the hard reality of COVID-19 Pandemic.

The departments of Zoology and Botany at Victoria Institution (College) took-up the challenge and organized an international webinar to make the students aware about the various aspects of the disease. Eminent personalities presented their lectures in this webinar and it was attended by 248 participants.

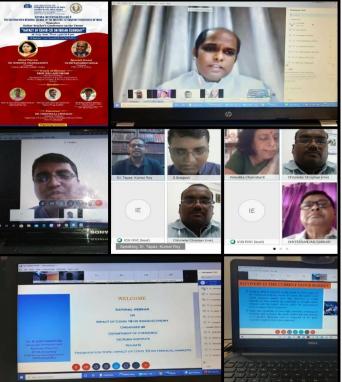


National Webinar on "Impact of <u>COVID - 19 on Indian Economy"</u> <u>on 26.07.2020</u>

The webinar was organized by the Dept. of Commerce, Victoria Institution (College) in collaboration with the Institute of Company Secretaries of India which focused on the impact of COVID – 19 in the Indian Economy. Due to COVID-19, all the sectors were adversely affected that has disturbed the world economy as well as the Indian economy a lot.

In the technical session, there were three renowned speakers who had highlighted three different areas on Indian economy which were affected due to the pandemic. Firstly, Prof.CA.(Dr.) Chittaranjan Sarkar had about managing the crisis occurred and how one of the sensitive sectors, i.e. MSME was affected. Due to the demand chain problem, the production and the manufacturing processes, had stopped which badly slowed down the outcome of the MSME Sector. The second speaker, Dr. Ram Prahlad Choudhary explained that the changes which occurred due to Covid had directly affected the higher education sector, which includes schools, colleges and universities.

The last speaker, Dr Subramanyam Mutyala spoke that the Indian Financial Market was also drastically affected due to the pandemic. Moreover, he highlighted the fact, that the investors got so that they started withdrawing anxious. money from the share market which shattered the market adversely. He also added that the Covid pandemic had instilled a sense of fear in the minds of the investors and had barred them from investing their hard earned money in any new investments.





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<u>Two Day International Webinar on The Impact of Covid-19</u> <u>Pandemic and Lockdown On Industry, Trade and Commerce</u> <u>on 30.08.2020 and 31.08.2020</u>

The department of Commerce of the Victoria Institution (College) with IQAC **Bharati** and the Kishore **Bhagini** Nivedita college with IQAC had arranged a two-day international webinar dated 30/08/2020 and 31/08/2020 regarding the impact of Covid 19 pandemic and lockdown on industry, trade and commerce.

In this webinar, we had five eminent speakers, namely, Prof.(Dr.) Radhe. S. Pradhan, Prof. (Dr.) Ashish Kumar Sana, Prof.(Dr.) Debashish Sur, Prof.(Dr.) AmalenduBhunia and Dr. Santus Kumar Deb..

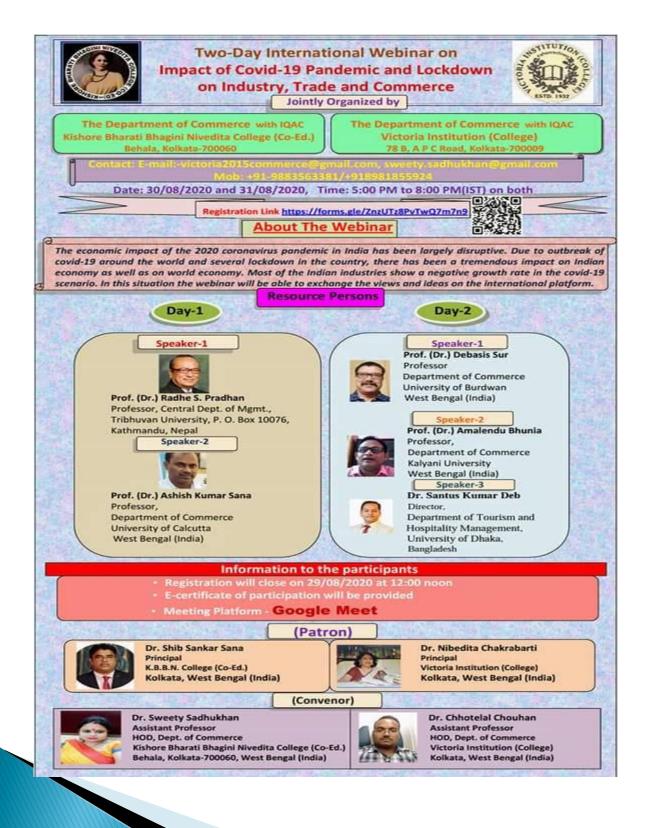
Covid 19 drastically changed the social life as well as the industry, trade and commerce





Due to the rapid increase in the number of Covid cases, different forms of restrictions were imposed that completely destroyed the economic life. The lockdown took away jobs from people which affected their livelihood to a great extent. The speakers articulated their views regarding this crisis.

А segment was specifically designed for presenting papers by some selected presenters, who threw light on the areas that were badly affected due to the -19 outbreak. Some of the Covid presentations of the webinar, that were worth mentioning include, the impact of COVID -19 on the MSME sector, rural economy, migrant workers, agricultural sector, education etc.

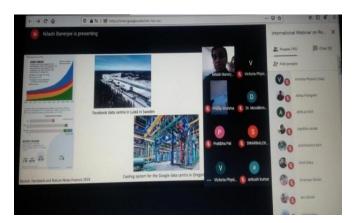


<u>Two-Day International Webinar On</u> <u>Recent Trends in Condensed Matter and Particle Physics</u> <u>31.07. 2020 and 01.08.2020</u>

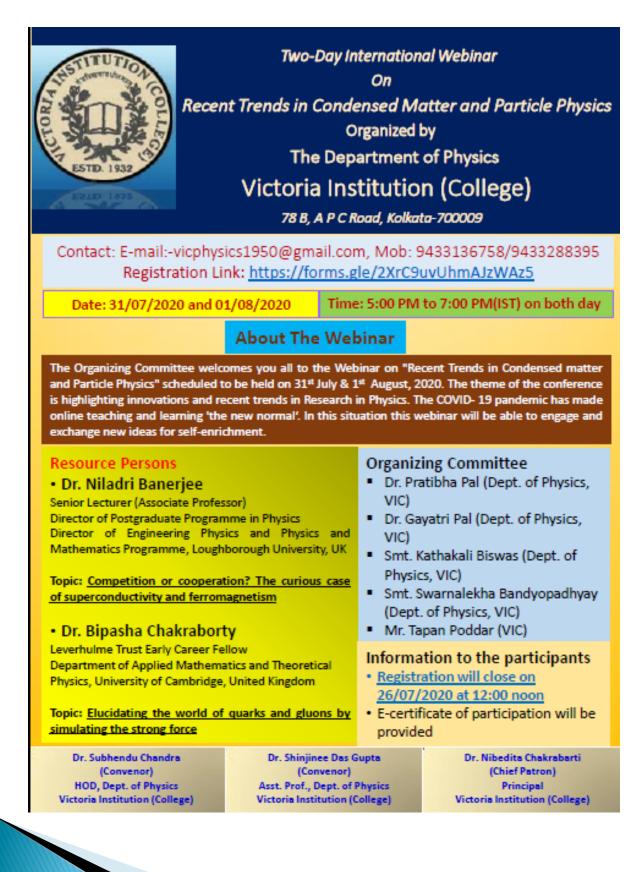
Condensed matter and Particle Physics are the two emerging field of studies in the area of recent research throughout the world. In this context, the Department of Physics, Victoria Institution (College), Kolkata, organized a Two-Day International webinar, on a digital platform.

The various aspects for the development of both theoretical and experimental research methodologies were discussed in the webinar to enhance the prospects of the students to take up research in these areas. The webinar highlighted the magnetic properties specially ferromagnetism, superconductivities, superconducting spintronics with spin-orbit coupling etc. in the field of Condensed matter physics and quantum field theory like QCD and QED for atomic and sub-atomic world in W and Z bosons, gluons, photons mediators etc. in the field of particle physics.





In the 1st session Dr. Niladri Banerjee, Associate Professor in the Department of Physics at Loughborough University, U.K. delivered his interesting lecture on the topic 'Competition or cooperation? The curious superconductivity case of and ferromagnetism.'In the 2nd session Dr. Bipasha Chakraborty, Leverhulme Trust Early Career Fellow and an Isaac Newton Trust Fellow in the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics at the University of Cambridge, UK., delivered a very attractive talk on the topic 'Elucidating the world of quarks and gluons by simulating the strong force.' Each of the session was followed by the question answer session. The webinar was attended by about 335 participants, comprising of both students as well as faculty members, from regions across the country.



<u>Web based International Workshop on ARDUINO</u> <u>and other Simulated Experimental Techniques</u>, <u>On 01.09.2020 -02.09.2020</u>

Department of Physics, Victoria Institution (College) has organized a Web based International Workshop on ARDUINO and other Simulated Experimental Techniques, during 01.09.2020 and 02.09.2020.

The objective of this workshop was to highlight various simulated experimental techniques used in the virtual platform for research and advanced level of teaching.

The resource person for the discussion on ARDUINO and its application was Dr. Sandeep Ghugre, Senior Scientist and Head of the Nuclear Physics research group of the UGC-DAE CSR, KC. It was an introduction to the micro controller and other hardware required and the corresponding interfacing programs for demonstrating some basic experiments.

Dr. Niladri Banerjee, Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor), Department of Physics, Loughborough University, United Kingdom, gave an Introduction to Micromagnetism and Object Oriented Micro Magnetic Framework (OOMMF), which is a finite difference program widely used to predict magnetism at submicron level.



He discussed briefly the relevant theoretical aspects of magnetism in materials and demonstrated how this simulation software can be used. His presentation gave us an interesting insight into the research and simulation done in this field.

Dr. Subhendu Chandra, Head, Department of Physics, Victoria Institution (College) demonstrated the use of CIRCUIT MAKER 2000 for design and fabrication of different virtual electrical, analog and digital electronic circuits included in the syllabi of different Universities.

The workshop was well attended by 153 participants which included UG and PG students, Research Scholars and faculty members from different Colleges, Universities and Institutions throughout India.



The objective of this Workshop is to give an exposure to the participants about ARDUINO (open source electronic prototyping platform), CIRCUIT MAKER 2000 and Micromagnetism & Object Oriented MicroMagnetic Framework (OOMMF). ARDUINO has been included in our CBCS syllabus while CIRCUIT MAKER 2000 may be used to demonstrate virtually the electronic and electrical experiments. OOMMF is a finite difference programme that is widely used to predict magnetic structures at the submicron scale.

The thrust of the workshop is to introduce experimentation through different virtual platforms. In this pandemic situation where students have not been able to attend regular classes, this mode of demonstration of experiments will be extremely beneficial for them.

The participation to this workshop is by nomination for the students and the faculty members can apply directly. The Head of the Department / Institution may recommend the names of few students for the purpose. An order of preference may please be indicated against the names of the recommended participants. Owing to very limited resources, we are apologetic that it might not be possible to honour all the recommendations. Kindly include the contact details (mobile & email) of the recommended participants in the communication.

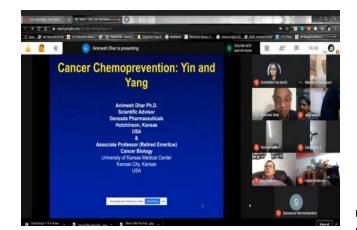
The applications/recommendations may be sent at the earliest (on or before August 27, 2020) at vicphysics1950@gmail.com. Meeting platform will be google meet.

Topic: An Introduction to Micron Framework (OOMMF) Dr. Subhendu Chandra HOD, Dept. of Physics, Victoria In	sor) Loughborough University, UK nagnetism and Object Oriented Micr	Mr. Tapan Podder Contact: O132132770
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International Webinar on Recent Advancement in Cancer Research on 12.09.2020

The Department of Botany and Indian Science Congress Association, VIC Unit of Victoria institution (College) Kolkata, jointly organized one International Webinar in collaboration with Indian Science Congress Association , Kolkata Chapter on "RECENT ADVANCEMENT IN CANCER RESEARCH" to celebrate the Golden Jubilee year of Department of Science and Technology, India, 2020-2021

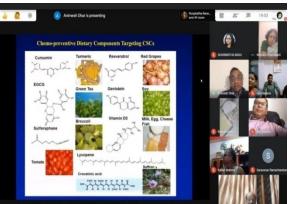
The main objective of this webinar was to highlight and make people aware of the recent research trends in cancer research across the globe. The programme was conducted on Google meet with YouTube live streaming.





About 115 participants registered for this webinar and about 65 participants logged in to Google meet and about 15 participants watched the YouTube live streaming.

The resource persons for the Webinar Scientific were Dr. Animesh Dhar. Advisor Genzada Pharmaceuticals Hutchinson. Kansas & Associate Retired Professor, Emeritus Cancer Biology University of Kansas Medical Center Kansas City, Kansas and Dr. Shrikant Anant, Kansas Mason Professor and Chair Department of Cancer Biology School of Medicine.





<u>E - Career Awareness Programme</u> on 8.02. 2021 (Time - 9 A.M. to 10 30 A.M.)

An E – Career Awareness Programme was conducted by Institute of Company Secretaries of India in collaboration with Dept. of Commerce on 8th February, 2021

The Webinar has been conducted by Institute of Company Secretaries of India regarding the career growth of the student as a company secretary. A company secretary can also treat as corporate lawyer and his job is to supervise all the legal matters of the organisation and to maintain strong administration within the firm. In this COVID – 19 situation when students are really depressed regarding their career goal, in that particular time this webinar conducted by ICSI has motivated them to get a new path in their life. A motivational speech has been delivered by has been delivered by GST Expert Udit Jalan in this webinar. He has mentioned in his speech that students must not think that this pandemic is going to ruin their future permanently rather they should think that they are getting more time to shape up their career aspects and meet up the requirement as per their vision.

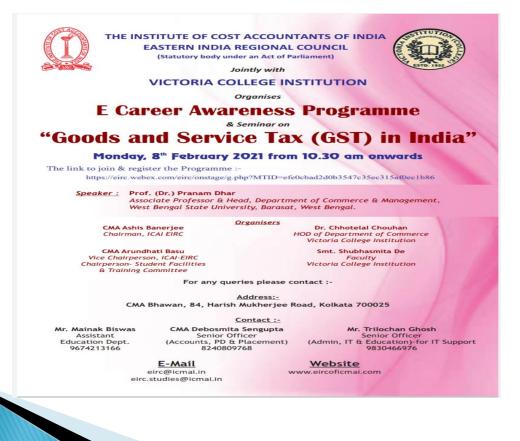


<u>E - Career Awareness Programme</u> <u>on 8.02.2021</u> (Time - 10 30 A.M. to 12 Noon.)

Another E Career Awareness Programme and GST in India organized by the Dept. of Commerce in collaboration with the Institute of Cost and Management Accountant of India on 8th February, 2021.

The Institute of Cost and Management Accountant of India has shown a path towards developing the career of the students. While doing graduation they can get the idea regarding then future scenario of job aspects. Sometime the students get confused that can they do something apart from graduation to enhance their career? So, ICMA has provided that guidelines to the students which help them to access the right area for their future.

The programme also being conducted by considering discussion related with a topic. The speaker for the topic was the Associate Professor and Head of WBSU. Dr. Pranam Dhar. He has highlighted the different elements of GST and how this GST has been calculated while filing indirect tax. The student does not have huge idea about GST so this webinar has helped them a lot to grab this new area of Taxation system. The Speaker has also told about how the students can consider this GST aspect as their career opportunity.



<u>One – Day National Webinar on Quantum optics</u> <u>and Quantum Information : from Basics to</u> <u>Applications on 27.06.2020</u>

One – Day National Webinar on Quantum optics and Quantum Information : from Basics to Applications was organized by the Dept. of Physics on 27th June, 2020.

The objective of this Webinar was to give an overview of the research methodologies in the field on Quantum optics and quantum information.

The resource person was Dr. Utpal Roy, Associate Professor and former head in the Department of Physics, Indian Institute of Technology, Patna. Dr Roy gave his presentation in two sessions. In the first part he explained about the basic concepts Ouantum Mechanics with vivid of illustrations. In the second session he spoke on the applications of Quantum Mechanics with special emphasis on Bose - Einstein Condensation (BEC).





He illustrated with simple examples how computational tools are used to study BEC state and also discussed some results from his own area of research and publications.

His lucid presentation gave a glimpse of these topics in Physics which are included in the UG and PG syllabus of different Universities at a basic level and encourage the students to explore these areas of physics at the Research level both theoretically and experimentally.

The Webinar was well attended by 136 participants which included UG and PG students, Research Scholars and faculty members from different Colleges, Universities and Institutions throughout India.

