

The Kelkar Education Trust's V. G. Vaze College of Arts, Science & Commerce (Autonomous) Mithagar Road, Mulund (East) Mumbai - 400081 | Re-accredited (4th Cycle) by NAAC with "A" Grade

Organizes

A Two-Day International Transdisciplinary Web Conference on

THE PANDEMIC TURN: CHALLENGES, DIRECTIONS AND INNOVATIONS IN THE NEW ORDER



25 and 26 February 2021

ABOUT THE COLLEGE



The Kelkar Education Trust's V.G. Vaze College (Autonomous) holds the distinction of being the first affiliated college in the State of Maharashtra to be assessed for accreditation by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in 1998. Since then, the college has been committed to various quality initiatives. The college has undergone NAAC accreditation four times with an "A" Grade and 3.45 CGPA in the fourth cycle in 2017. The college has 17 aided undergraduate, 6 self-financing undergraduate, and 7 postgraduate programs. The college also offers a unique Post Graduate Diploma in Perfumery and Cosmetology and Vocational Skill Development program in Travel and Tourism. Short-term certificate courses are also conducted under the G. D. Kelkar Skill Development Centre and Finishing School. Vaze College boasts of 9 Ph.D. centres, 33 faculty with Ph.D. and more than 10 research quides.

The Departments of Humanities and Social Sciences that are leading the conference have always had a multidisciplinary focus in the conferences they have organised in recent times. They have collectively produced over a 100 publications, chaired/resourced and presented numerous research papers, undertaken major and minor research projects, and guided over 50 research scholars in the last ten years. The sheer range and scope of research undertaken by the humanities departments even in the Covid 19 scenario is worth noting. They organized and participated in pedagogical researchoriented conferences to understand and analyze epidemics and pandemics and they trained themselves through Faculty Development Programs to be equipped for online teaching and administration.

It falls suitably on the mantle of the Humanities and Social Sciences departments of Vaze College, therefore, to lead an international conference on The Pandemic Turn, after being awarded the status of an autonomous college.

THE CONCEPT

The Covid 19 crisis and the unprecedented awareness of microbial perils have been instrumental in making the academia, and the world in general, to think about the 'Pandemic Turn.' This turn, like the gender, spatial and material turns in the past, has brought about myriads of perspectives on the old and new normal from all over the planet. It has also compelled academic disciplines and epistemologies to reconsider their pedagogies, boundaries and methodologies. They are learning to accommodate the notions of peril, cure, care, safety, remedy, solution and alternatives.

In the wake of such tectonic changes in medical science, economy, societies and mindsets, it would be a worthwhile exercise to document the dimensions of the 'New Order' in the form of an international web conference. The subsequent publication of the transactions generated in the form of papers and plenary discourses will document the variety of pervasive changes sweeping across continents and cultures, bring forth challenges, directions and innovations envisioned in the post-pandemic era. It will raise questions, dismantle myths and interrogate postures earlier held sacrosanct, and create new blueprints for existence: for humans and for the entire biosphere.

This transnational web conference aims to bring perspectives and research papers from renowned academicians and scholars from different centres of learning. It also aims to provide students a platform to articulate their research thinking in the forms of a paper presentation competition and an e-poster presentation competition.

PAPER PRESENTATION

We invite you to submit abstracts of 250 words of an original research paper. The abstract should be in Times New Roman with (4/5) key-words. The paper can be specific to your academic discipline or inter-disciplinary themes. Inter-departmental collaborations in writing papers are highly appreciated.

Papers which are approved by a panel of experts will be published. Papers selected for publication should adhere strictly to the latest MLA or APA formats.

Some areas and themes that may be explored are given overleaf. However, other angles related to the theme of the conference may also be explored

SUGGESTED AREAS

- The Pandemic turn in History/Psychology/Sociology/Language Studies, etc.
- The Pandemic, Politics and Propaganda
- The Pandemic, Law and Judiciary
- The Pandemic and Public Policy
- The Pandemic and Employment Concerns
- The Pandemic and the New Cultural Context
- The Pandemic, Economic Challenges and the Strategies to overcome them
- The Pandemic: Tourism & Hospitality/Transport and other services
- The Pandemic: Agriculture and the Rural Economy
- The Pandemic and Food
- The Pandemic and Commerce/Trade/E-commerce
- The Pandemic and Micro & Macro Finances
- The Pandemic and Trauma/Resilience
- The Pandemic; Ecosystem and Environment
- Biophysics and Detection of Covid 19
- Virus, Genetics, Biochemistry and Vaccine
- Virus and the Digital World: Infodemic
- Covid 19: Treatment and Prevention
- The Pandemic and International Relations/Medical Diplomacy
- Microbial Humanities, Pandemic Literature
- The Pandemic: Gender and Identity Studies/Disability Studies/ Bio-cultural Studies/ Migration Studies/ Human Rights

SUGGESTED AREAS

- Literary and Cultural Responses to the Pandemic
- The Pandemic and Media
- The Pandemic and the Marginalised Classes
- Significance of Social Service in Covid Terrain
- The Pandemic and Labour Migration
- The Pandemic: Challenges and Opportunities in Education
- The Pandemic and Disaster Management
- And any other area related to the Pandemic Turn

PAYMENT DETAILS

Registration Fee (inclusive of GST) for participation and paper presentation:

- Professionals: India & SAARC Countries INR 590/-
- Students: India & SAARC Countries
- Professionals: Other Countries

- INR 236/-USD 50/-
- USD 25/-

- Students: Other Countries
- > Account Holder Name: KETS V G VAZE COLLEGE
- > Account Number: 20112261504
- > IFSC Code: MAHB0000761
- > Branch Name: 00761 Mumbai Mulund (East)

Registration link: (Click on the hyperlink of the applicable segment)

- Paper Presentation Teachers/Scholars/Other Professionals: <u>http://bit.ly/3n0u7Gd</u>
- Ph.D. & M.Phil Scholars' Paper Presentation: <u>http://bit.ly/3506iYO</u>
- Students' Paper Presentation: <u>http://bit.ly/383PKBh</u>
- Students' Poster Presentation: <u>http://bit.ly/3rl2yVF</u>
- Teachers' Poster Presentation: <u>http://bit.ly/2Jz1tOC</u>

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ABSTRACTS

Abstracts should be emailed on or before 20th January 2021. After receiving an approval of the abstract, the final paper (3000 words), should be emailed by 10th February 2021

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

20th January 2021: Submission of abstract 25th January 2021: Intimation of selection 10th February 2021: Submission of the final paper

Mail ID for Abstracts / Full Papers/ E-Poster submission:

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STUDENT PAPER PRESENTATION

Research papers and e-posters are invited from undergraduate and postgraduate students.

Abstracts for the same, based on the topics stated above should be mailed by 15 January 2020. Selected papers and posters will be presented in a technical session and the best ones, selected by a panel of experts, will be rewarded.

Selected papers will be published in a conference proceeding with an ISBN number.

All registered paper presenters will be awarded e-certificates.

E-POSTER MAKING COMPETITIONS (STUDENTS & TEACHERS)

GUIDELINES FOR POSTER SUBMISSION:

- Each participant can submit only one poster.
- Joint poster submission of a maximum of two participants is permissible. Posters with interdisciplinary themes are encouraged.
- E-Poster Size: In Landscape Orientation (While viewing in zoom mode the font size should be adequate enough to view a particular section of the poster)
- File Size: Should be less than 25 MB
- File Format: PDF
- Kindly ensure your text and backgrounds have a vivid contrast.
- The E-Poster will be judged for Content, Creativity, and Relevance to the theme of the topic/conference
- Name/s of the participant/s, college, faculty, class, and subtheme must be clearly mentioned in the email and on the poster at the time of submission.
- Decision of the jury will be final.
- Posters must be original with image sources acknowledged. Plagiarism will lead to disqualification.

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