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DURING COVID-19" BRIEF SUMMARY REPORT OF THE NATIONAL WEBINAR ON "LEGAL RIGHTS OF MIGRANTS: AN OVERVIEW DURING COVID-19"

One of the most valuable department of the Nehru Gram Bharati (Deemed University), the Department of Law headed by the organising secretary Dr. Swapnil Tripathi, on dated 13 June 2020 Saturday from about 3 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the evening hosted the live National Webinar on "Legal Rights of Migrants:an overview during Covid-19" on the Google meet portal. The wholesome objective of organising this very first of its kind of National Webinar session was to discuss as how everyone could respond effectively to this devastating crisis while ensuring the constitutional values of equality, justice and rights of the migrant labours and its other major consequences of the prolonged lockdown which has severely impacted the migrants labourers usually with their problems of fooding, clothing, shelter, health, safety and most importantly with their employment issues which many of them had lost due to the nationwide lockdown and many fearing more severe outcome post the lockdown period which will badly affect the migrant labourers financially as there are large numbers of daily wage labourers working within the country. The important facet of this webinar session was the study of the migration arising out of various social, economical or political reasons.

The **Hon'ble Chancellor** of our university **Shri J.N. Mishra sir** in addressing this session of the webinar emphasized on the all round development of the rural areas right from the grassroot level providing them with every amenities thereby itself so that the population residing there does not have the occurrence of the need to move

out of their domiciled places and become wanderers in search of better standard of living conditions. Basic facilities right from health and medicare to employment should be there to hold back the rural population from becoming migrants. He also emphasized in his view particularly on the empowering of the rural women so that they contribute equally in the upliftment of their family so that every household has a right to support for their basic needs of food and shelter regardless of their status. Empowering the rural women will be by imparting them with skills which will make them more or less self dependent which in-turn will provide double edge galloping pace for the development of the rural areas.

For this session of the national webinar on legal rights of migrants the renowned Prof. M.P. Tiwari, former faculty member of the University of Allahabad and Exmember of Uttar Pradesh Bar Council, was invited as the keynote speaker for this webinar. Sharing his view with the fellow participants of the webinar he discussed on the problems of the migrants which they had to face as undeserved population regarding access to healthcare, barriers of mobility, language, culture differences and many more. Speaker sir exposing the bitter truth that immigrants are more vulnerable while they are on the move which may cause increased incidences of trafficking and exploitation. Speaker sir briefly made participants aware about various rights of the migrants which are such as Right to Safety and Security, Right to Humane Treatment in Detention, Right to Equal Protection and Due Process, Right to Housing, Right to Healthcare, Right to Just Working Condition and many other rights of which the migrant labours were unaware of and due to this unawareness migrants couldn't demand for their rights.

Apart from the keynote speakers there were two other speakers who were invited to be member on the panel comprising of expert talk, one being **Dr. Kavita**, (Assistant **Professor**) and other being **Dr. Krishna Murari Yadav** (Assistant **Professor**), both belonging to **Faculty of Law**, **University of Delhi**.

Dr. Kavita, Assistant Professor, from Delhi University highlighted the role of Supreme Court to protect the interest of migrant workers in her expert talk. She highlighted that due to shutdown of factories and other workplaces by the national lockdown caused by Covid -19 crisis, millions of migrant workers had to suffer a lot, be it a loss

of income, food or shelter. She mentioned in her talk that the objective of our Constitution is to protect individual dignity through enactment of fundamental rights. The Supreme Court has a pivotal constitutional role in protecting and safeguarding the fundamental rights and freedoms of the citizens of this country. The Supreme Court's constitutional role and duty becomes more significant and indispensable in the time of crisis such as the present one. In **Re: Problems and Miseries of Migrant Labourers on May 28, 2020,** Supreme Court issued interim directions to be followed by the State Governments/Union Territories and the Central Government. Not only the Supreme Court but various High Courts have also taken notice of cases of migrant labourers.

Dr. Krishna Murari Yadav sir expressed his deep thoughts as on who all can be considered as a migrant and he made the participants aware of the basic difference between the migrants and immigrants and briefly explaining what is social migration and political migrations. Speaking more on statistical information like on the report of the Working Group on Migration, 2017 under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, 17 districts which accounts for the top 25% of India's total male out-migration and these districts are in UP, six in Bihar and one in Odisha. The Report of the Working Group on Migration also shows that the share of migrant workers is the highest in construction sector for females (67 percent in urban areas, 73 percent in rural areas), while highest number of male migrant workers are employed in public services like transport, postal, public administration services etc. He also insisted that the inter-state migrant crisis after the lockdown would be felt more by metropolitan cities like Delhi, Mumbai, Surat, Hyderabad, Bengaluru and many others.

There were more than 250 participants who attended and were present throughout the whole webinar session who and have gained so precious and untold knowledge from the views of these speakers.

The technical assistance for the webinar was provided by Mr. Sandeep Anand and Mr. Ujjwal Das and Research Scholar Mr. Vineet Pratap Singh all belonging to the Nehru Gram Bharati family.

The credentials for organising such a different and unique topic related webinar goes none other to the organising secretary and Head of Department of Law Dr. Swapnil Tripathi for showing his levelling concerns for the rights of the migrant labourers in the crisis of prolonged lockdown due to the pandemic of Covid-19 which had a colossal impact on every life and livelihood. Focusing on the daily wage labourers irrespective of their being skilled or unskilled who comprise of the largest share of the population within the entire nation to be affected due to the lockdown period. As specially mentioning by the organising secretary in his welcome address that this university had came forward in every possible manner as a helping hand for the deprived migrant workers by providing them with food throughout the entire lockdown period by establishing Community Kitchen also known as 'Sanjha Chulha' within the premises of the university and with the help of many volunteers working daily food packets were distributed among the migrant workers who couldn't afford their daily meals.

Lastly, the **Registrar** of the University **Mr. R.L. Vishwakarma sir** concluded the session of the webinar by his vote of thanks to all the fellow participants and fraternity members of the university for making this National Webinar enormously successful.

Several feedbacks where received from the participants regarding the usefulness of organising such a Webinar as they felt privileged to attend and have gained knowledge about the rights of the migrants labourers and their present difficult times which they were facing due to the movement back to their native place.

Pertinent to mention the support of the faculty members of the Department Of Law such as Dr. Mohd. Zafar, Dr. Siya Ram Shukla, Dr. Rajeev Naian Singh, Shri. Banslochan Prasad, Shri. Amit Kumar, Shri. Vipin Kumar Singh, Shri. Shree Prakash Yadav and Research Scholar such as Shweta Gupta and Archana Tiwari of the Nehru Gram Bharati (Deemed University) without whom this webinar couldn't have taken the structure and path on which it was planned to be conveyed.

The specimen copy of the brochure of the National Webinar on the "Legal Rights of Migrants: an overview during Covid-19".



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Prof. M.P. Tiwari Keynote Speaker



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The specimen copy of the schedule sent to the participants of the National Webinar.



The specimen copy of the certificates being provided to the participants of the National Webinar.



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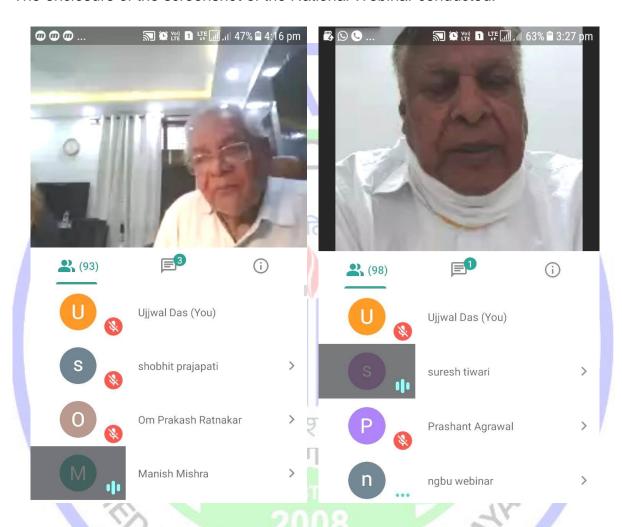
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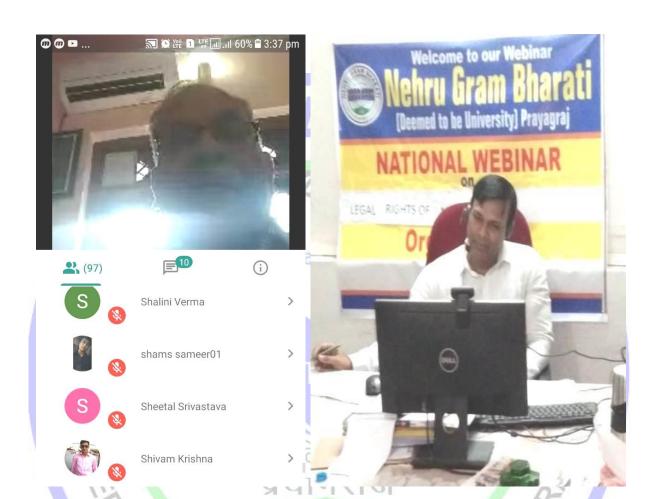
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Organizing Secretary

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