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Press Release

A National conference on "Contemporary Social Issues In India: Challenges and Way Forward" was organised by Government Degree College for Women Pulwama on 30 December 2021. Several luminaries across the Country from diverse fields graced the occasion with their presence both online as well as offline. The patron of the conference and Head of the institution Prof. Mushtaq Ahmad Lone formally welcomed the distinguished dignitaries and highlighted the scope and importance of organising such conferences. The Compendium of 35 Abstracts was released on the occasion which covered various contemporary social issues including gender, mental health, drug addiction, issues of marginalised communities, problems of aged people, disability, issues related to education, healthcare systems etc. The organizing conveners of this event were Dr. Hamidullah wani, Prof. Shabeer Ahmad and Dr. Umar Jan Sofi. The members of organizing committee were- Prof. Nazneen Jan, Prof. Zahoor Ahmad Lone, Prof. Saima Syed, Prof. Zahoor Ahmad Thoker, Dr. Tariq Ahmad Dar, Dr. Satinder Singh, Dr. Aijaz Ahmad Bundh, Dr. Jawed Ahmad, Mrs. Yasmeena Jan and Prof. Mudasir Ahmad. The guest of honour for the conference Prof. Tariq Ahmad Rather, Director Centre for Central Asian Studies University of Kashmir delivered Keynote address. He elucidated the nature and manifestation of various contemporary social issues and ways to address those issues. He briefed about the lack of education in our societies, negligence for caring for aged people, role of artificial intelligence for social reformation etc. The inaugural session ended with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Mehraj U Din Shah, HOD Physics and member advisory Committee. The special invitee for the programme Dr Adil Bashir, Senior Assistant Professor Department of Social Work University of Kashmir delivered a lecture on the dynamics of contemporary social issues and the need of having a multipronged approach in theory, practice and research. Luminaries from all over India especially Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Bihar, Delhi, Tamil Nadu, Haryana etc who are experts in their respective fields delivered their presentations in IV Technical sessions during the conference, where 28 papers were presented offline and rest presentations online which were compiled into a compendium. The Compendium of total 35 abstracts was released by the esteemed guests and dignitaries on the occasion. The 4 technical sessions, three offline and one online, were chaired by Dr. Adil Bashir, Prof Shafiq Ahmad Andrabi, Dr. Mehraj U Din Shah Prof. Javaid Ahmad And Co-chaired by Dr. Aijaz Ahmad Bund, Dr. Hamidullah Wahi, Dr. Javaid Ahmad Paul and Dr. Tariq Ahmad Dar. The valedictory address was delivered by Prof. Shabir Ahmad Assistant Professor Persian whereas the report and the recommendations of the conference were Presented by Dr. Aijaz Ahmad Bund Assistant professor Social Work. The certificates were distributed among the participants. Dr Abdul Qayoom Mir, HOD EVS and member Advisory Committee, delivered the vote of thanks. 160 participants participated in the conference offline as well as online across the country. The conference started at 9:30 in the morning with the registration of participants by Dr. Tariq Ahmad Dar and Dr. Satinder Singh who made a record of the participants and prepared certificates for the participants. the inaugural session started with the recitation of some verses of the Quran recited by Prof. Mudasir Ahmad member organizing committee followed by College Tarana. Prof. Mushtaq Ahmad Lone Principal of the college and Patron of the Conference honoured the dignitaries and presented a welcome address. After the Keynote address and vote of thanks, the 1st and 2nd parallel technical sessions started in the Computer Lab and Conference Hall of the College. Dr. Adil Bashir Sr. Assistant Professor Social Work University of Kashmir and Dr. Aijaz Ahmad Bund member organizing Committee Chaired and

Co-Chaired the sessions respectively while Prof. Shafeeq Ahmad Andrai HOD Chemistry and Member Advisory Committee acted as Chairperson and Dr. Javid Ahmad Pal was Co-Chairperson of the Conference, ran the 2nd technical session in the computer Lab. Dr. Satinder Singh member organizing Committee and Prof. Nazneen Jan Member Organizing Committee acted as Stage Secretaries of the two technical sessions respectively. seven presentations/papers were presented in each technical session. After the 2 technical sessions the lunch/refreshment break started and all the guest speakers, participants, faculty and organizers were served refreshment in the room no 1 of the college arranged by Prof. Mudasir Ahmad member organizing Committee. Technical sessions 3rd and 4th started soon after the lunch break on the same places which were chaired and co-chaired by Prof. Mirajuddin Shah, member Advisory Committee, Prof. Umer Jan Sofi, Convener Research Committee and organiser, Dr, Hamidullah Wani Convener Seminar and Debates Committee and Organizer and Dr. Tariq Ahmad Dar member organizing Committee and Member IQAC respectively. Prof. Saima Syed member organizing Committee and Mrs. Yasmeen Jan member organizing Committee moderated the sessions respectively. 27 papers/presentations were presented offline while 9 papers/presentations were delivered online in the conference. Dr. Javid Ahmad Teli member organizing Committee and member IQAC recorded all the sessions of the conference. Prof. Zahoor Ahmad Lone member advisory Committee managed the smart boards for the conference. soon after the completion of presentations of technical sessions, the valedictory session started with the report reading by Dr. Aijaz Ahmad Bund followed by remarks by Prof. Shabir Ahmad Coordinator IQAC and Organizer of the Conference. The certificates distribution ceremony was held in which all the participants were awarded with certificates and some senior faculties with mementos as a token of love and respect. The conference concluded at 5:30 pm with the vote of thanks presented by Dr. Abdul Qayoom Mir member Advisory Committee in which all associates were thanked for their cooperation, support and integrity which included non teaching faculties also. Prof. Shabeer Ahmad delivered certificates to the participants who participated online.

Some glimpses of the conference are below:





