

## **Report on Webinar 'Pandemic and Literature'**

The Department of English, Shrikrishna Mahavidyalaya, had successfully organised a webinar on 'Pandemic and Literature.' It took place on August 5, 2020. Dr. Sudhir Nikam (Chairman of the Board of Studies, University of Mumbai, Mumbai), inaugurated the webinar. In his inaugural speech, he focused on the concept of pandemic literature and the challenges of teaching methods, and he commended the excellence of Shrikrishna Mahavidyalaya Gunjoti; how the Mahavidyalaya has been constructed for the deprived classes of society and how it has created a new momentous in the rural region. Prof. Uttam Ambhore (Chairman of the Board of Studies, and Head of the Department of English, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad) was a guest of honour of the program. He praised the theme of the webinar and focused on the contemporary pandemic condition and creative writing. Dr. D.R. Kulkarni, Principal of the college, delivered the welcome address. Mr. N. J. Pawar, who is the convenor of the webinar, gave the preface to the program. Prof. R. P. Singh (Professor Department of English, University of Lucknow, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh), delivered the keynote address by defining the concept of pandemic and literature.

There were two technical sessions in the webinar, in which two resource persons delivered the lectures on the theme. In the first technical session, Dr. D. P. Chavan gave the introduction of the expert, Prof. Prof. Paresh Joshi (Professor, Department of English, Veer Narmada South Gujarat University, Surat, Gujarat). The session was chaired by Dr. Ashok Kadam (Head, Department of English, Shri Shivaji Mahavidyalaya, Barshi). Prof. Joshi delivered the speech on pandemic and Indian literature, gave a historical background of pandemic Indian literature and argued that India has a history of pandemic literature and has created a new identity in the literary world.

In the second technical session, Dr. Y. A. Vjapure introduced Dr. Rooble Verma (Professor and Head of the Department of English, Vikram University, Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh) as the resource person of the session, and Dr. Shrikant Mohanrao (Head, Department of English, Government First Grade College, Manhali, Bidar) was the chairperson of the session. Prof. Rooble Verma delivered the lecture on the given theme and focused his speech on the representation of culture and society in post-pandemic literature.

The valedictory session was chaired by Dr. D.R. Kulkarni, Principal of the College, and the speaker of the session was Dr. Subhashree Mukherjee (Associate Professor, Department of English, Kamla Nehru Mahavidyalaya), who focused on the challenges of teaching English literature in times of pandemic crisis. Dr. R.D. Kamble, coordinator of the webinar, was the anchor of the event. Finally, Dr. Vilas Hogade concluded the programme by acknowledging all the guests of honour and delegates. The feedback form was filled out by circulating among participants at the end of the program, and the programme was concluded with the permission of the chairperson, Dr. D. R. Kulkarni (Principal of the college and chief organiser of the webinar).

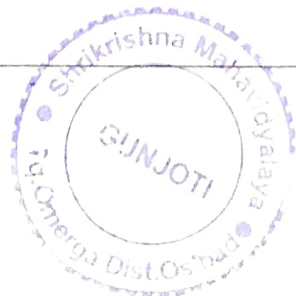
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National Webinar  
 On  
**‘Pandemic and Literature’**

Date: 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2020

**Programme Schedule**

Date	Time	
5 <sup>th</sup> August 2020	10.30 am – 10.50am	Welcome Note- <b>Principal Dr. D. R. Kulkarni</b>
		Inaugurator- <b>Dr. Sudhir Nikam</b> Guest of honour- <b>Professor Dr. Uttam Ambhore</b>
		Vote of Thanks
	10.50 am -11.20 am	<b>Keynote Address-</b> <b>Professor Dr. R. P. Singh</b>
		Vote of Thanks
	11.20 am -11.50am	<b>Plenary Session-I</b> Chairperson- <b>Professor Dr. Ashok Kadam</b> Resource Person- <b>Professor Dr. Paresh Joshi</b>
		Vote of Thanks
		11.50 am – 12.20 am
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	12.20 am – 12.30 pm	
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