

**Report on the *One-week International Webinar on Ethics in Research: Conduct, Documentation and Publication* dated 3rd to 7th August 2020 organised by School of Pedagogical Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala in academic collaboration with All India Association for Educational Research (AIAER)**

An “International Webinar on Ethics in Research: Conduct, Documentation and Publication” were held at School of Pedagogical Sciences, from 3rd to 7th August, 2020. The webinar was organized by School of Pedagogical Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala in academic collaboration with All India Association for Educational Research (AIAER). On an average, 330 delegates represented from different parts of the world are actively attending all the webinar sessions and deliberations. The webinar was officially inaugurated by the Hon. Vice Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi University Prof. Sabu Thomas. The inaugural ceremony was graced by the presence of various other dignitaries like Prof. Sunil Behari Mohanty (President, AIAER), Prof. Minikutty A. (Head, School of Pedagogical Sciences), Prof. Asha J.V. (Convener) and Dr. Ismail Thamarasseri (Coordinator). After the inaugural session, the venue witnessed the keynote speech of the Prof. Sunil Behari Mohanty, President, AIAER on the topic ‘*Role of AIAER in Promoting Research Ethics*’ and a presentation by Ms. Rabia Khanam, Mewar University on the topic *Emerging Trends in Research Ethics, Documentation, and Plagiarism: A Critical Insight*.

The second day of the webinar had the scholarly talk on ‘*Prioritisation in Educational Research*’ by Prof. V. Reghu, Former Controller of Exams, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Tamil Nadu. The session was chaired by Prof. T.V. Thulasidharan. During the technical session three papers were presented by Ms. Sruthi S, University of Kerala, Ms. Zainab Musheer, Aligarh Muslim University, Ms. J. A. Jesina, Annai Fathima College of Arts and Science, Madurai, Tamil Nadu and vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Ismail Thamarasseri were the other highlights of the second day’s session.

The third day of the webinar commenced with the welcome address by Prof. Jaya Jaise, Dean, Faculty of Education, Mahatma Gandhi University and was graced by the Invited Lecture: *Introduction to IRB & CITI Training* delivered by Dr. Briju Thankachan, Director, CADD & TBL Expert, Ohio University, USA. During the technical session two papers were presented by Ms. Roshini Salil, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala and Dr. Bindu M.P., Chinmaya Viswavidyalaya Deemed to be University, Ernakulam. Dr Muhammed K.V. proposed the vote of thanks.

On the fourth day, the resource talk was by the internationally acknowledged Global Health researcher Prof. Sabu Padmadas, Department of Demography and Social Statistics, University of Southampton, UK. During the technical session two papers were presented by Ms. Anu Cleetus, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala and Ms. Rajeswari V.S., University of Kerala. The session was chaired by Dr. Sajna Jaleel, and Dr. Sibin Netto proposed vote of thanks.

The last day of the Webinar had the Invited Lecture on ‘*Publication Ethics*’ delivered by the young reputed researcher who bagged two prestigious postdoctoral research awards, Dr. Divya C. Senan, University of Kerala. The session was chaired by Prof. Asha J.V. and the technical session had one paper presentation by Dr. Fathima Jaseena, Farook Training College, Kozhikode. The valedictory address was delivered by Prof. Jaya Jaise, Dean, Faculty of Education, Mahatma Gandhi University and the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Ismail Thamarasseri. Attendances were marked, feedback forms were circulated during the sessions and e-certificates were also distributed as soon as the programme is over.