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In his opening remarks, Director of All-India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, Dr Randeep Guleria said the concept of 'Leave no one behind' is the most relevant in these pandemic times. "We need to address social inequities that the pandemic has highlighted," he said.

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saying goes: 'When we light a lantern for others, our own way forward is lit.'."

Rashi Ahuja, Director, and Head of External Relations, BSG, expressed her gratitude to the audience for participating in the webinar and called for a commitment to cultivating a society that is guided by the principle of respect for dignity of life.

SGI, (Soka Gakkai International) has over 12 million members in 192 countries and territories around the world. Meanwhile, BSG (Bharat Soka Gakkai) is the Indian affiliate of Soka Gakkai International (SGI).



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अखिल भारतीय आयुर्विज्ञान संस्थान (एम्स) प्रमुख रणदीप गुलेरिया ने कहा कि कोविड-19 महामारी ने स्वास्थ्य क्षेत्र समेत जिन सामाजिक असमानताओं को उजागर किया है, उसे दूर करने की जरूरत है। बुधवार को भारत सोका गकाई (बीएसजी) की ओर से आयोजित एक ऑनलाइन शांति संगोष्ठी के दौरान एम्स प्रमुख ने यह टिप्पणी की। गुलेरिया को एक बयान में यह कहते हुए उद्धृत किया गया कि 'किसी को

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Leave no one behind in pandemic times, said Dr Randeep Guleria, director, AIIMS during an online symposium on Wednesday. "The concept, 'Leave no one behind' is most relevant in these pandemic times. We need to address social inequities that the pandemic highlighted -- in the healthcare sector, with the migrants and in the education sector where many were left behind. The important message is to emphasize that each life matters," said Dr Guleria at an online symposium organised by Bharat Soka Gakkai (BSG), the Indian arm of the Soka Gakkai International.

The event marked the launch of BSG's new symposium series 'Dialogue in Action: Empowering Humanity'. The other speakers at the symposium included Shaheen Mistri, founder and CEO, Teach for India and Hasina Kharbih, founder and chairperson, Impulse NGO network, Sujay Santra, founder and CEO, ikure and Vishesh Gupta, chairman, BSG. Dr Guleria said the message "leave no one behind" is very important and has become more relevant in the pandemic. The inequality was already there in terms of health, education, or social structure but pandemic has made it more evident. "We need to echo these issues at a larger scale. If we do not, we would not have a vibrant and healthy society." He further highlighted that the public health sector needs more investment compared to the private sector. Primary health centres, treatment of the poor, and affordable medicines are some areas that need more supervision. Mistri spoke about the role of education in value creation. "There has never been a time in history when we have needed to operate as much with love as we do today and my belief is that our schools can play a huge role in building not just learners, but a humane society," said Mistri. The pandemic is an opportunity for the global community to redesign the health sector so that health becomes an important factor in the coming days. "Health is a fundamental right and that needs to be provided to every citizen", Dr Guleria said. The AIIMS director also talked about the difficulties faced by healthcare workers during the pandemic. He shared an anecdote of a health care worker living on the 5th floor of the residence, the landlord used to switch off the lift during the night over a fear of getting infected. "During the pandemic the goodness of people has been buried, the society has become more materialistic than value-based, the people could get aware about it with the help of education," said Dr Guleria and added that the third wave is not going to be bad as it is anticipated.



BSG वेबिनार में एम्स डायरेक्टर डॉ गुलेरिया बोले- महामारी में हम किसी को भी पीछे न छोड़ें, ये महत्वपूर्ण है
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नई दिल्ली: भारत सोका गाक्का (BSG) ने कोविड-19 महामारी के मद्देनजर बुधवार को एक वेबिनार का आयोजन किया. इस कार्यक्रम में कई वक्ताओं ने लंबे समय से दुनिया को चपेट में लेने वाली कोरोना महामारी पर अपनी बात रखी. वेबिनर में पैनलिस्टों ने सहमित व्यक्त की कि मौजूदा संकट को सहयोग के एक नए युग द्वारा ही हल किया जा सकता है. एम्स डायरेक्टर डॉ रणदीप ग्लेरिया ने कहा कि इस महामारी के समय में हम किसी को भी पीछे न छोड़ें, यह सबसे अधिक महत्वपूर्ण है.

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बता दें, साल 1983 से हर साल सोका गाक्काई इांटरनेशनल के अध्यक्ष दाईसाकु इकेदा एक शांति प्रस्ताव लिखते आए हैं, जिसमें वे वैश्विक मुद्दों के सांभावित समाधान प्रस्तुत करते हैं. उन्होंने इसे संयुक्त राष्ट्र के आदर्शों और क्षमता के एक दृढ़ समर्थक के रूप में किया है. इकेदा ने अपने 2021 के प्रतताव में कहा, "महामारी से निपटने के हमारे साझा प्रयास इस संकट को पूरी तरह बदलने में मानव एकजुटता की आवश्यकता को स्पष्ट करते हैं. इस बारे में वैश्विक जागरुकता पैदा करने के लिए यह एक आधार के रूप में काम कर सकते हैं."

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#### नवोदय टाइम्य

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नई दिल्ली, 8 सितम्बर (नवोदय टाइम्स): एम्स निदेशक प्रो. रणदीप गुलेरिया ने कहा कि महामारी काल में किसी को भी पीछे न छोड़ने की अवधारणा सबसे अधिक प्रासंगिक और महत्वपूर्ण है। हमें वैसी सामाजिक असमानताओं को दूर करने की जरूरत है, जो महामारी के समय ज्यादा उभर कर सामने आई हैं। स्वास्थ्य सेवा, शिक्षा के क्षेत्र की असमानता के चलते कई लोग पीछे रह गए। हमें यह समझना होगा कि प्रत्येक जीवन महत्वपूर्ण है और मायने रखता है।

हमें वास्तव में सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के



स्वास्थ्य में निवेश करने की आवश्यकता है। उपचार करवाने के क्रम में लोग गरीबी रेखा से नीचे चले जाते हैं, यह चिंताजनक है। प्रो. गुलेरिया ने यह बात बुधवार को भारत सोका गाक्काई द्वारा आयोजित एक वर्चुअल शांति संगोष्ठी में कही। इस दौरान अन्य वक्ताओं ने इस बात पर विशेष जोर दिया कि लंबे समय तक विश्व को अपनी चपेट में लेने वाली कोविड-19 की छाया दर्शाती है कि वैश्विक सहयोग और एकजुटता अब चयन की नहीं बल्कि अस्तित्व की बात है।

### पंजाब केसरी

#### બીએસજી વેબિનર કોવિડ -૧૯ પેન્ડેમિકને પગલે વૈશ્વિક સહયોગની જરૂરિયાત પર પ્રકાશ પાડે છે

કોવિડ -૧૯ ના લાંબા પડછાયા કે જેણે વિશ્વને ઘેરી લીધું છે તે દર્શાવે છે કે વૈશ્વિક સહકાર અને એકતા હવે કોઈ પસંદગીની બાબત નથી પરંતુ અસ્તિત્વની બાબત છે, ભારત સોકા ગક્કાઇ દ્વારા આયોજિત શાંતિ સિમ્પોઝિયમ વેબિનારમાં પેનલિસ્ટસએ (બીએસજી), બુધવારે જણાવ્યું હતું આ વેબિનર મ્જીયની નવી સિમ્પોઝિયમ શ્રેણી 'ડાયલોગ ઇન એક્શન: એમ્પાવરિંગ હ્યુમનિટી'ને પણ લોન્ચ કરે છે. સોકા ગક્કાઇ ઇન્ટરનેશનલ (એસજીઆઇ) ના પ્રમુખ દાઈસાક્ ઇકેદાના ૩૯ મા શાંતિ પ્રસ્તાવ પર આધારિત આ વેબિનારમાં, જેનું શીર્ષક "કટોકટીના સમયમાં મુલ્ય સર્જન" છે, વેબિનારના પેનલિસ્ટો તે વ્યક્ત કરે છે કે દરેક વ્યક્તિ અને પર્યાવરણ માટે આદર એ હવે એક મુખ્ય ફિલસુફી બની ગયું છે



અને તે એક ચોક્કસ જરૂરિયાત છે.

પદ્મશ્રી, ઓપન ઈન્ડિયા ઈન્સ્ટીટ્યુટઓફ મેડિકલ સાયન્સ, નવી દિલ્હીના ડાયરેક્ટર ડો. રણદીપ ગુલેરિયાએ પોતાની શરૂઆતની ટિપ્પણીમાં જણાવ્યું હતું કે, "આ પાન્ડેમિકના સમયમાં 'કોઈને એકલા અથવા પાછળ ન મુકો'ખ્યાલ સૌથી વધુ સુસંગત છે. આપણે સામાજિક અસમાનતાઓને સંબોધવાની જરૂર છે જે પાન્ડેમિકએ પ્રકાશિત કરી હતી -આરોગ્યસંભાળ વિભાગોમાં, સ્થળાંતર કરનારાઓ સાથે અને શિક્ષણ ક્ષેત્રમાં જ્યાં ઘણા પાછળ રહી ગયા હતા. મહત્વનો સંદેશ એ વાત પર ભાર મૂકવાનો છે કે દરેક જીવન મહત્વનું છે "

# BSG Webinar highlights the need for Global Cooperation in the wake of Covid-19 pandemic:



NEW DELHI: The long shadows of COVID-19 that has engulfed the world shows that global cooperation and solidarity are no longer a matter of choice but of survival, panelists at a peace symposium webinar organized by the Bharat Soka Gakkai (BSG), said on Wednesday. This webinar also marks the launch of BSG's new symposium series 'Dialogue in Action: Empowering Humanity'. The panelists at the webinar, which was based on Soka Gakkai International (SGI) President Daisaku Ikeda's 39th Peace Proposal titled "Value Creation in a Time of Crisis," highlighted that the core philosophy of respect for each person and for the environment, has become an absolute necessity. Every year since 1983, SGI President Daisaku Ikeda has authored a peace proposal offering possible solutions to global issues. He has done this as a steadfast supporter of the ideals and potential of the United Nations. BSG, has organized peace symposia every year, based on these Proposals, with the aim of making Ikeda's vision a reality. "Our shared efforts to respond to the pandemic can serve as a foundation for generating global awareness of the essential role of human solidarity in transforming the crisis," says Ikeda in the 2021 proposal. Panelists at the webinar concurred that the current crisis can only be resolved through a new era of cooperation. Padma Shri, Dr Randeep Guleria, Director, All-India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, said that In his opening remarks, Padma Shri, Dr Randeep Guleria, Director, All-India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, said that, "The concept, 'Leave no one behind' is most relevant in these pandemic times. We need to address social inequities that the pandemic highlighted -- in the healthcare sections, with the migrants and in the education sector where many were left behind. The important message is to emphasize that each life matters" Dr Guleria has been at the forefront of India's fight against the COVID-19 crisis. Reaffirming the role of education in value creation, haheen Mistri, Founder and CEO, Teach for India, said "There has never been a time in history when we have needed to operate as much with love as we do today and my belief is that our schools can play a huge role in building not just learners, but a humane society." Drawing inspiration from the Peace Proposal, Hasina Kharbhih, Founder and Chairperson of the Impulse NGO Network said, "We must be fearless and faithful around the change we want to see, especially during the time of crisis." Sujay Santra, Founder and CEO, iKureTechsoft said "The pandemic has been the time to build resilience in the public healthcare system". He shared the importance of creating a shared infrastructure, where people can access healthcare with hope and newer possibilities. BSG Chairperson, Vishesh Gupta shared that, "I am confident that the doors to a hope-filled future will be thrown wide open the moment we decide to cherish the spirit of compassion to treasure each life and to be alongside those who are vulnerable and most in need of support. As the common saying goes: 'When we light a lantern for others, our own way forward is lit.'." Rashi Ahuja, Director and Head of External Relations, BSG, expressed her gratitude to the audience for participating in the webinar and called for a commitment to cultivating a society that is guided by the principle of respect for the dignity of life.