

The Impact of Covid19 on the life, livelihoods, education and economy

A series of five webinars by Centre for Budget and Policy Studies

Webinar 1: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., October 1, 2021 (Completed)

Topic: Public Expenditure on Children

<u>Invited Chair</u>: Dr. Soumen Bagchi, Social Policy Specialist (Lead - Public Finance & Local Governance),

UNICEF India Country Office

The session can be viewed here.

Webinar 2: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., October 21, 2021 (Completed)

<u>Topic</u>: Life and livelihoods of migrant labourers in Bangalore

Invited Chair: Prof. Narendar Pani, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore

The session can be viewed here.

Webinar 3: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., November 2, 2021 (Completed)

Topic: Macro-economic impact on the economy of Chhattisgarh: Implications for other states

Invited Chair: Prof. Vinod Vyasulu, President, CBPS Society, Bangalore

The session can be viewed here.

Webinar 4: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., November 16, 2021 (Completed)

Topic: Impact on children's lives and education

Invited Chair: Prof. Jean Dreze, Visiting Professor, Department of Economics, Ranchi University, Ranchi

The session can be viewed here.

Webinar 5: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., November 30, 2021 (Tuesday)

<u>Topic</u>: Civil society responses to Covid: Two case studies

Invited Chair: Dr. Shantha Sinha

Founder, M V Foundation, Hyderabad and former Chair, National Council for Protection of Child Rights Through our collaborative research with two grassroots-based civil society organisations, Doosra Dashak in Rajasthan, and Bhumika Women's Collective in Telangana and Andhra, we have tried to understand and analyse the specific ways in which these two organisations used their expertise, networks and reach to provide support to vulnerable communities, and the challenges they faced in doing so. We will also present the importance that long standing community relationships and collective action influenced the creation of resilient strategies during the pandemic. In doing so, we will illustrate the potential of the scope and role that organisations such as Doosra Dashak and Bhumika Women's Collective can play in providing collective action in times of crisis.

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