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International Webinar
Communication in the Time of a Pandemic
Concept Note

The world today is in the midst of an unprecedented crisis that seeks to alter us in myriad ways. A disruption in what we considered was the 'normal', the pandemic marks a paradigm-shift in the way we perceive the world. The relationships that human beings share with the world around us has been shaken to the core. As the pandemic poses new challenges across the globe economically, socially and politically, it is also an inevitable reality that the post pandemic world will no longer be the same.

With schools, colleges and universities shutting down overnight for months without any warning, the anxieties of coping with new methods of teaching and learning has been rampant in the academic community and beyond. The sudden shift to communication through technology and the virtual spaces have caused a fracture especially in the education system. There certainly is an urgent need to explore pedagogies and methodologies that would enable the academic communities globally to adapt to new learning systems, which are inclusive without compromising on the quality of education and accessibility.

It has been observed that the nature of communication in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic has been greatly altered. Communication is what weaves the social fabric together and an intrinsic component of what keeps the world moving. While redefining the way we communicate with one another in the wake of the pandemic can be seen as a survival tactic to adapt to changing social dynamics, it is also equally important to map the changes in the patterns of communication in order to devise new methodologies of communication to make communication more effective.

This webinar seeks to explore methodologies that traverse across both the traditional and the contemporary, to enable a smooth transition into the post pandemic era, garnering the best of both. The redefinition of communication during the pandemic and in the post pandemic era will determine the kind of civilization that is to come and the webinar is an attempt towards articulating these new definitions.