## NATIONAL WEBINAR ON HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION AND VIOLATION DURING COVID - 19 PANDEMIC

## Report

Centre for Human Rights of Mar Gregorios college in association with Kerala State Human Rights Commission has organized a National Webinar on Human Rights Protection and Violation during COVID-19 Pandemic on 22/05/2021, Saturday.

The inaugural session of the webinar from 9.30 am to 10.45 am begun with the invocation by the Mater of ceremony Shilpa Sanjeevan of BBA LLB. Prof. Dr. Thomaskutty P G, Vice Principal, Mar Gregorios College of Law delivered the welcome address. After that the Guest of Honor, Prof. Balraj Chauhan, Vice Chancellor, Dharma Shastra National Law University, Jabalpur addressed the audience. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Antony Dominic, Chairperson, Kerala a State Human Rights Commission was the Chief Guest for the programme and he addressed the participants. The inaugural session ended with the Vote of Thanks delivered by Asst. Professor Dr. Deepti U, the coordinator of Centre for Human Rights, Mar Gregorios College of Law.

The theme session begun at 11.00 am after the 15 minutes break. In the thematic session from 11.00 am to 1. 15 pm, various persons made presentations on some particular themes followed by the discussion.

The most awaited session of the day, the paper presentations were started at 2.00pm after the lunch break. The paper presentations were divided in to 3 parallel sessions. Session 1 dealt with health and health workers human rights, the papers on covid -19 emerging human rights challenges were discussed in session II and in the General Session III, papers related to Freedom of speech and expression and Women and Children were presented.

Session I was chaired by Dr. Devi Parvathy, Assistant Professor, Dept of Public Administration and Policy Studies, Central University of Kerala, Prof. (Dr.) Sheeba Pillai, Professor, School of Indian legal Thought, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam chaired session II and Session III was chaired by Prof (Dr.) Sapna Professor of Law, School of Law, Christ University, Bangalore.

In total were almost 40 papers presented in the National webinar.