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Editorial

From the Editor's Desk:-

The coronavirus (COVID 19) outbreak came to light when on the 31st of December, China Informed World Health Organization of a number of cases of pneumonia, whose cause was unknown, in Wuham City, in its Hubei province. From that day till now, coronavirus has spread like fire, all over the world. As reported on 13th August 2020, by the Centers for Disease Prevention, the following table shows the corona virus (COVID-19) statistics.

Cases in	Confirmed	Death	Recovered
Uttar Pradesh	140775	2280	88786
India	2459464	48142	1750568
Globe	20624316	749421	12831806

The data shows that Uttar Pradesh has been able to control the spread of the disease to a large extent, despite its huge and dense population. Besides, if we analyze the recovery rate of patients in U.P., it is 63.10%, while all over India it is 71.7%. With much lesser health amenities, U.P's health sector has performed miraculously. It has greater recovery rate than the recovery rate all over the world, which is 62.21. Management and control of the disease in the State, has been efficiently implemented. The entire administration is making every effort to maintain strict discipline amongst citizens, in terms of wearing of masks and social distancing.

It is also pertinent that people above 65 and

suffering from certain ailments like diabetes, blood pressure and heart diseases to stay away from crowded places. However, such social distancing can also lead to other problems like monotony and depression. Let us hope and pray that a vaccine is soon discovered for coronavirus.

There has been a serious adverse impact of COVID-19 on Indian economy, as also with other countries world over. It has had a major negative impact on hospitality, entertainment and aviation sectors. Besides, schools and colleges have been closed, Sports events like the IPL and the Olympics, international events like conferences like Climate Change, have been postponed. Functioning of online suppliers like Amazon and Flip Cart have been disrupted.

On the 12th of May, 2020, the Prime minister of India, Narendra Modi, announced economic package of 20 lakh crore. The package consisted of infrastructure support to stressed businesses and direct cash support. The package is also to provide collateral free loans to resume business activities and safeguard jobs. Several measures were announced to ease business activities. Several changes were also announced in the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy. Our state government of Uttar Pradesh also announced measures on the lines of the Government of India.

The impact of COVID-19 on human life has been very deep and widespread. It is the duty of citizens to prevent its spread by maintaining social-distancing, frequently washing hands, wearing mask and gloves, getting tested whenever they sense that they are suffering from symptoms related to COVID-19. Let us hope that by fighting COVID-19, individually and together, we shall be able to steer our state and country smoothly despite the pandemic.

Vidya Nand Garg, Editor

News from the Centre

Management Development Program (MDP) for Indian Trade Program Organization's ITPO's A and B officers:-

A 5 days MDP for 20 Group A and Group B officers of ITPO, was organized from March 2-6, 2020. The objective of the workshop was to enhance the technical and managerial competencies of the participants for higher positions with focus on event planning and organization, financial management and promotion marketing. The program was coordinated by Dr. V.N. Alok.

National Seminar on "Contemporary challenges in Consumer Protection:-

The Centre for Consumer Studies, IIPA, in collaboration with Yashwantha Rao Law College, Pune, organized a national seminar on Contemporary challenges in consumer protection, on the 2nd and 3rd March, 2020. The seminar was sponsored by the Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India. 80 delegates participated in the seminar. They were researchers, academicians, students, experts, NGOs and practitioners. The seminar provided a platform for all participants to discuss on the issue, its new challenges and also find a way forward. The seminar was coordinated by Prof. Suresh Mishra and Dr. Sapna Chedah.

News from IIPA Uttar Pradesh Regional Office, Lucknow

1. Executive and General Body Meeting

An Executive Meeting and a General Body Meeting were held on February 6th 2020, to discuss the activities that have taken place during the year 2019-20 and the activities that are to take place during 2020-2021. Both the meetings were chaired by the Chairman of the UP Regional Office, Sri R. Ramani, IAS (Retd.) and conducted by the Honorary Secretary, Sri Vidya Nand Garg, IAS (Retd.) 10 members attended the Executive meeting and 15 members attended the General Body Meeting. The salient points discussed as suggestions and recommendations of future activities are described in the paragraphs that follow.

- (a) The highlight of the meeting was to develop case studies in public administration, taking the experiences of senior members. It was decided that 10 case studies would be developed in the financial year 2020-2021. The case studies shall be printed for wider circulation for the benefit of students, teachers and administrators.
- (b) It was decided that the history of IIPA, U.P.



Sri R. Ramani, IAS, (Retd.), Chairman and Sri Vidya Nand Nand Garg, IAS, (Retd.) Honorary Secretary conducting the Executive Meeting

Regional Branch should be put on its Website. Sri K. N. Trivedi, Former Joint Secretary of U.P. Regional Branch was requested to assist the present joint secretary in the task. This activity is still in process.

- (c) It was suggested that a workshop should be conducted within two months on any topic selected by the members.
- (d) It was also discussed that while conducting workshops, external experts be called. Besides, it was also decided that the activities of IIPA, U.P., could be collaborated with other institutions.
- (e) It was also decided that workshops, seminars and lectures could be conducted in the following ways:-
- (i) In the IIPA Conference Hall. Where the audience/participants would be members of IIPA, U.P. Branch and
 - (ii) Collaborate with some other reputed institution in Lucknow, and also call external experts for the event.
- (f) The auditors for Statement of Income and Expenditure Accounts for the financial year 2018-19, and the Balance Sheet as on 31st March 2019 were appointed during the meeting.
- (g) Since the essay competition organized by U.P. Regional Branch was a tremendous success, it was decided by the committee that an essay competition would be held every year, under the following guidelines:-
- (i) It would be organized for the school students of classes 9-12, and for and for graduates and post graduates, namely, humanities, science and commerce. The topics for both the levels would be different.



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- (ii) The prizes for the students will be namely; First Prize, Rs. 5000/, Second Prize, Rs. 4000/ and Third Prize Rs. 3000/.
- (iii) Both levels will have three prizes separately.
- (iv) There would be separate prizes for best three prizes in Hindi and English, separately. Thus on the whole, there would be four sets of prizes.
- (v) Besides, every participant will receive a certificate of participation.

2. Book Launching

It was decided in the board meeting of 6th April,



Launching of the book "New Dimensions in Public Administration, Standing from Right to Left Sri V.N. Channa, Sri R.C. Tripathi, Sri V. N. Garg, Sri R. Ramani, Dr L.M. Joshi, Dr. Y.S. Bhadouria, and Dr. Padma Iyer.

2019, that papers and recommendations of Workshops and seminars, conducted at IIPA, UP, would be published in the form of a book. Thus, the papers of three workshops and their recommendations, namely, “Role of Digital Technology in Governance”, “Strengthening Public Institutions for Better Governance” and “Environmental Friendly Sustainable Urban Development were published in a book titled “New Dimensions in Public Administration. The book was launched on 15th February, 2020.



Dr. Padma Iyer, Joint Secretary, discussing with Dr. Rajesh Krishnan

3. Pilot study on the “Problems and Prospects of Auto Rickshaw drivers in Lucknow

A survey was conducted with 200 auto rickshaw drivers, by Dr. Padma Iyer, and its report was quite revealing. With more resources, this survey could be extensively taken up for the entire state of Uttar Pradesh.

4. Organization of a Workshop

A Workshop was organized to be conducted on “Traffic Management and Road Congestion” which was postponed owing to Lockdown because of COVID - 19.

5. Working during the Lockdown

During the corona virus pandemic, our office was regularly opened. Subject to Government orders and guidelines, during lockdowns, work was done online, maintaining social distancing and other precautions.

6. Visit to the Smart City Office

On the 7th of March, the Joint Secretary visited the Smart City Office at Lucknow, to discuss the role of smart city project for dealing with the problems of traffic management. In this connection, she had a discussion with Dr. Rajesh Krishnan, Chief Executive Officer and Engineer, ITS at Smart City and learnt a great deal about how the office can help manage traffic and prevent road congestion.

7. Audited Statement of Accounts & Annual Report

Accounts for 2019-20 have been duly audited by our Auditors and the Audited Financial statements have been sent to the state government and IIPA New Delhi. A copy of the Annual reports has been sent by mail as well as by speed post to IIPA New Delhi. The Annual report for the year 2019-2020 has been prepared and sent to the head office.

8. Attending Webinar Lectures conducted by the Head Office From March to August, the Head Office of IIPA has been conducting several lectures on the Webinar and members at Lucknow are greatly benefitted by it.

Quotable Quotes

1. “If anything kills over 10 million people in the next few decades its highly likely yo be a highly infectious virus rather than war. Not missiles, microbes” Bill Gates.
2. “Under efficient public administration citizens do their duties willingly and mention their rights fearlessly.” Anil Kalantri 'Wealth of Worlds'
3. “Honesty is a very expensive gift. Do not expect it from cheap people” Warren Buffet
4. I feel like I have the most amazing life in my public service.” Hilary Clinton