



**CENTRE FOR
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ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY, ALIGARH**

**INTERNATIONAL WEBIINAR
ON**

**Role of Faith in facing Personal and Collective Crises:
What Religion can offer to the Post-Covid World**

(Dates: 26-27 September, 2020)

Organized by

**Dara Shikoh Centre for Interfaith Understanding and Dialogue,
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**THE WORLD IS
FACING GREAT
CRISIS**

The world is facing a great Crisis after the outbreak of the global pandemic of COVID-19, perhaps the biggest after World War II. The scale and severity of this pandemic is unprecedented in the post world war II world. By mid-August 2020, already 21.6 million had been afflicted and 774 thousands dead worldwide and the numbers are continuing to rise at an alarming rate. The whole humanity is in panic

**THE ROLE OF
RELIGION AND
SPIRITUALITY IN
THIS CRISES**

In this situation the role of religion and spirituality is significant. Religion is the deep 'faith in God, in the grace of God, in the Divine personalities and their benevolence, as well as in the continuation of life, and in the supernatural order of the universe. Spirituality is the essence of religion. It encompasses an individual relations to self-others and universe as well as feelings of inner peace strength discipline, interconnectedness and meaning to life.

Religious Faith gives hope, inward security, inner strength and peace of mind. The strong Faith in the possibility of God's help removes anxiety. It gives assurance and confidence on the face of dangers, risks and inevitable troubles. It creates optimism and produces cheerful outlook. Most of the psychological illness arises from inner panic, turmoil. The stronger and firmer the religious faith the greater is his immunity to crises situations' or imaginary fear.

**FUROLOGY:
POSSIBLE ROLE
OF RELIGION
AND
SPIRITUALITY IN
THE POST COVID
WORLD**

It has become quite obvious that spiritual and religious practices are valid solutions for coping with a number of problems emerge from corona virus pandemic, , and are the most valuable means of furthering spiritual growth during ‘lockdown’ and ‘unlock’ and in the post-COVID world.

In the post COVID world where mankind will be coping with the shock and facing the aftermath suffering, Man may be rethinking about the globalization, industrialization, violation of environment and hazards of modern life. The faith in our own rapid progress and confidence in our achievements in health and economy may be shaken. Man may take more and more recourse to religious Faith and Spirituality. What will be shape of the world after COVID. This is a topic to ponder by scholars and thinkers.

**THUS, THE DARA SHIKOH CENTRE CHOSE THIS
TOPIC FOR THE INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR**

**ABOUT THIS
WEBINAR**

The Organizing Committee is dedicated in bringing together a significant number of Religious Saints, Spiritual Gurus and Eminent Scholars in this International Webinar for their scholarly presentations. An attempt has been made to bring together the leading Religious/Spiritual Leaders/Gurus, and scholars of different faith for the sake of exchanging and sharing their experiences pertaining the Role of Religion and Spirituality in Coping Personal and Collective Crisis in the Post-Covid World.

**ABOUT DARA
SHIKOH CENTRE
FOR INTERFAITH
UNDERSTANDING
AND DIALOGUE**

Dara Shikoh Centre for Interfaith Understanding and Dialogue is an important part of Aligarh Muslim University (AMU), one of the top Central Universities of India. The goals of the Centre are: to promote interfaith understanding, spread the culture of Love and harmony and to undertake interfaith research, teaching and various activities. The Centre has organized some very important International Conferences and Seminars.

Papers are invited for presentation on the following sub-theme of International Webinar

SUB-FIELDS/ TOPICS

- (A) **Teachings of the Hindu Scripture in Facing the Crises**
- (B) **Teachings of the Holy Quran and the Hadith and the Seera in Facing the Crises**
- (C.) **Teachings of the Jewish, Christian and Zoroastrian Scriptures in Facing the Crises**
- (D) **Teachings of the Buddhist, Jaina and Sikh Scriptures in Facing the Crises**
- (E) **Teachings of Religious Thinkers and Personalities in Facing the Crises**
- (F) **The Role of Spirituality in Facing the Crises and strengthening the individual**

- (G) **Role of Religious/Spiritual Values in Facing the Crises and strengthening the individual**
- (H) **Transformation in the Post-Covid World**
- (I) **What will be the Role of Religion and Spirituality in the Post-Covid World**
- (J) **Religion and Health: Psychological and Sociological Perspectives**
- (K) **Integration of Religious and Spiritual Practices into Treatment**
- (L) **From the Viewpoint of Theology and Law (Fiqh/Jurisprudence/ Law etc) Human Rights dimension and its relation with religion.**

Any other theme

- Please submit your Abstract in 200 words along with the keywords by 12th September, 2020. Full length paper must be received by 19th September, 2020. Submitted abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee. If abstract is accepted, the author(s) will be invited to send full text paper, including results, tables, figures and references. All submissions should be original and it should not be published previously in the form of research results/articles/term papers/case studies. The manuscripts should meet the format set by the seminar committee preferably in the following format:

- The softcopy of the manuscript should be typed in MS Word only.
- The font size should be 12 Times New Roman for the running text with 1.5 line spacing.
- • The font size for headings should be 14 Times New Roman in BOLD
- • Keep the left margin 1.5", right margin 1" and top & bottom margins 1.5".
- The word limit for the manuscript should be 2000 to 3000.
- References should be in the APA 6th Edition Style

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