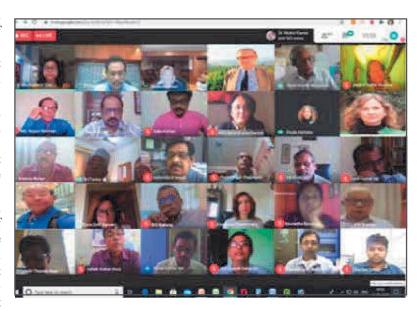
National Webinar on Remote Sensing & GIS Applications in Geosciences

The Department organized a National Webinar on Remote Sensing & GIS Applications in Geosciences on 21st August, 2020. Nearly 200 participants attended the said event, where Dr. Santonu Goswami, Scientist, ISRO acted as the main speaker. The other speakers were Prof. A. K. Bora, Prof. A. Saikia and Dr. M. J. Nath from the Department of Geography, Gauhati University.



International Web-Conference on COVID-19 Pandemic from the Eyes of Geography: Global, National and Regional Perspectives (11th and 12th Sept, 2020)

The International Web-Conference on "COVID-19 Pandemic from the Eyes of Geography: Global, National and Regional Perspectives" organized by the Department in collaboration with the Commonwealth Geographical Bureau was inaugurated by Prof. P.J. Handique, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Gauhati University on the 11th of September, 2020. This two-day international webconference was attended by 15 eminent geographers from around the globe. The inaugural session was attended by Prof. R.B. Singh, Secretary General and Treasurer, International Geographical Union, as the Chief Guest, Prof. Melinda Laituri of Colorado State University, USA as the Guest of Honour and Prof. Abani K. Bhagabati of the Department of Geography, Gauhati University as the keynote speaker. Prof. Bimal K. Kar, Department



of Geography, Gauhati University and also the Convener of the event addressed the gathering with a welcome speech. Dr. Madhushrree Das, Professor and Head, Department of Geography also welcomed the participants on behalf of the department. The invited speakers including Prof. Jayant K. Routray of AIT, Bangkok, spoke on Covid-19 induced reverse migration-the rehabilitation challenges in India, Prof. Md. Rejaur Rahman, University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh on spread and dynamics of Novel Coronavirus in Bangladesh., Prof. Ravi S. Singh of BHU, Varanasi on stakeholder perspective on COVID-19 and its impacts on education, Prof. Paula Santana and Prof. Ricardo Almendra of University of Coimbra, Portugal on the spatiotemporal evolution of Covid-19 in Portugal and Spain, Prof. Krishna Mohan of Panjab University, Chandigarh on Covid-19 and Education, Prof. A.I. Tanko of Bayero University, Nigeria on Covid-19 pandemic in Nigeria, Prof. D.K. Nayak of NEHU, Shillong on Caste, Class and Covid in India, Prof. Prem Sagar Chapagain of Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal on some thoughts and reflections on digital transformation of Tribhuvan University, Prof. R.B. Bhagat of IIPS, Mumbai on migration and mobility during pandemic in India, Prof. Elena dell'Agnese of University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy on Italy under Covid-19 crisis, Prof. Brij Maharaj of the University of Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa on Covid-19 Challenges in South Africa, Prof. Alexandra Chudnovsky of the University of Tel-Aviv, Israel on Covid-19 mortality versus air pollution in the context of Israeli cities, and Prof. Anuradha Banerjee of JNU, New Delhi on urban resilience, Indian cities and the coronavirus pandemic. The valedictory session was addressed by Prof. H.N. Sharma, Retired Professor of Gauhati University and Prof. Elizabeth Thomas-Hope, President of CGB, Kingston, Jamaica. Besides the invited lectures, around 30 research papers relating to various sub-themes of the web-conference were presented. This international web-conference came to a successful end with participation of around 300 senior and junior geographers from different parts of India and abroad.

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