





WEBINAR PANEL DISCUSSION

'Disaster-Induced Internal Displacement in India: Protection and Reporting'

Monday 28th February 2022, 16:00 to 17:30 IST

Globally, in 2021, the levels of internal displacement driven by disasters and climate change were the highest on record, despite the effects on mobility of the COVID-19 pandemic. How to protect internally displaced persons (IDPs) in disaster contexts and respond to their needs remains a burning question. This is so not only at the global level, but also in countries like India, which has been very much part of this trend. The nuances of disaster-driven internal displacement and the ensuing health and protection needs of IDPs represent a major topic for India and the international community.

In this webinar, moderated by international disaster-displacement expert Dr Ana Mosneaga (IDRP Senior Research Affiliate & Ritsumeikan University, Japan), four leading Indian researchers share their cutting-edge research and exchange perspectives on disaster-induced displacement in India:

- "<u>Disaster-induced Internal Displacement in India In 2020: A Review</u>" Professor Chhaya Bhardwaj, O P Jindal Global University, India
- "Gender, Health and Disaster-induced Internal Displacement in India" Professor Sneha Krishnan, O P Jindal Global University, India
- "Integration as Mantra for Sustainable and Disaster-Safe Survival: Covid-19 Pandemic Key Lesson", Professor Anil K. Gupta, National Institute of Disaster Management
- "Should Internal Migrants Who Cannot Return Home due to COVID-19 Be Treated as Disaster IDPs? Lessons from India" – Malavika Rao, Graduate Institute Geneva, Switzerland

The webinar is convened by the Internal Displacement Research Programme (IDRP), in collaboration with Jindal School of Environment and Sustainability of O P Jindal Global University and the National Institute of Disaster Management. The IDRP is a specialised initiative at the University of London that supports and disseminates cross-disciplinary research on internal displacement, especially in affected countries, and hosts the *Researching Internal Displacement* website.

<u>Register here</u> on the <u>Researching Internal Displacement</u> site to join us for this webinar discussion. Participants will be able to ask questions and share comments through online moderation. The event will be held in English and take place online, with the event recording made available afterwards.

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