



Jesus and Mary College

IQAC in collaboration with Department of Economics

Webinar Report

Topic: “Understanding India’s Employment Problem”

Speaker: Dr. Arup Mitra

Date: 11 June 2020

Time: 11:30 am - 12:45 pm

Webinar platform used: Google Meet

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Total Registrations: 272

Number of Registered Faculty Members: 99

Number of Registered Students: 173

Number of participants on google meet :102

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About the speaker:



Dr Arup Mitra
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Before joining South Asian University, Dr Arup Mitra worked as Professor of Economics at the Institute of Economic Growth (IEG), Delhi. He was also the Director General of NILERD (formerly IAMR), GOI. His research interest includes development economics, urban issues, labour and welfare, corruption, industrial growth and productivity, services sector, and gender inequality. He completed his B.A. (Hons.) from Ravenshaw College, M. A., M. Phil. and Ph D from Delhi School of Economics and post-doctorate from North-western University (USA). He has also been a consultant to a number of international organizations and worked as a senior researcher at ILO, Geneva. He held the Indian Economy Chair at Sciences Po. Paris in 2010. He has also been a visiting scholar at Institute of Developing Economies, Japan and visiting professor at Nagoya University, Japan. He was awarded by the Indian Econometric Society Mahalanobis memorial Gold Medal for his outstanding contribution to quantitative economics. He has been a member of several expert committees. His book on Inclusive Growth, Employment and Wellbeing published by Springer has received Professor S. R. Sen best book award, 2019. His work is cited in the Handbook of Regional and Urban Economics, 1999. He has also been an author in Encyclopaedia of Life Support Systems, (UNESCO) and Encyclopaedia of Sustainability, (Berkshire Publishing).

Webinar Summary

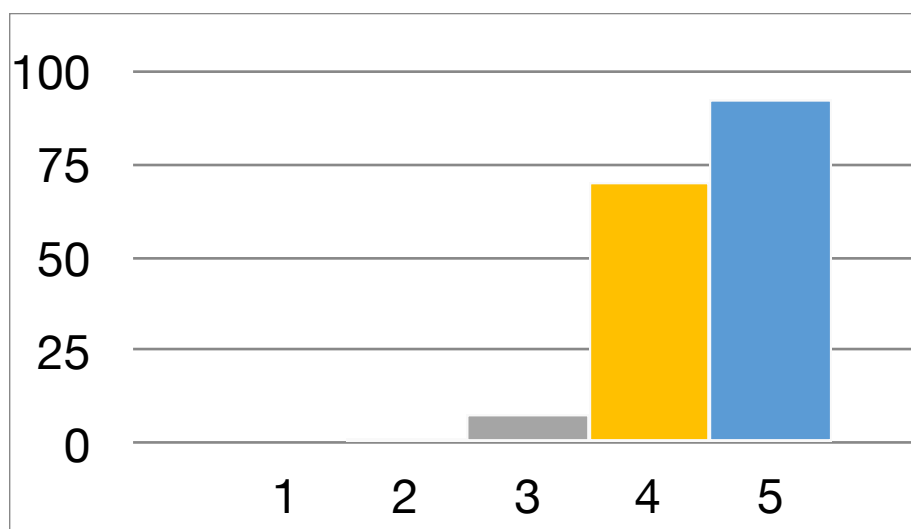
On 11th June 2020, an interactive webinar on 'Understanding India's Employment Problem' was hosted by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in association with the Department of Economics of Jesus and Mary College (JMC). The webinar began with a warm welcome by Ms. Rajni Singh, Associate Professor, Department of Economics. Dr. Singh invited Sr. Dr. Rosily T.L. r.j.m, Principal, JMC to give the Welcome Address. Sr. Dr. Rosily also talked about the plight of migrant workers, how work from home has become the new feature of today and ended her address by invoking God's blessings. Then, Ms. Rajni Singh introduced the speaker, Dr. Arup Mitra. The session was moderated by Ms. Shalini Srivastava, Associate Professor, Department of Economics.

Dr Mitra talked about the employment problem and how it covers both unemployed and those employed in low productivity sectors. Migration patterns, ethnicity and poverty was also discussed. Migrants have different motivation to reduce poverty and contribution of low-income households in city growth and poverty reduction exceeds the benefits they receive. Dr. Mitra discussed how unemployment rate is not necessarily a negative indicator and it may reflect capability to search for better opportunities. He also discussed Kuznets hypothesis, Harris Todaro model, Network Theory, Theory of Labour Market Segmentation and Percolation effect.

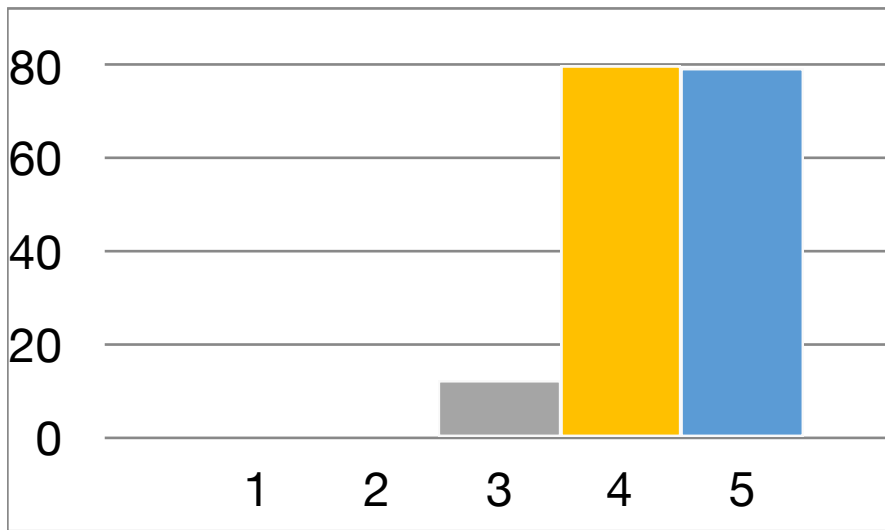
This was followed by a QnA session. The session was interactive and lively. Before concluding the webinar, Ms. Srivastava invited Dr. Alka Marwaha, Convenor IQAC to propose the Vote of Thanks.

Feedback Summary: After the webinar, we circulated the feedback form to which we received 171 responses from 104 institutions all over the country. Of these responses only 25.7%, i.e. 44 were from Jesus and Mary College. Below is a brief analysis of the data from the feedback forms:

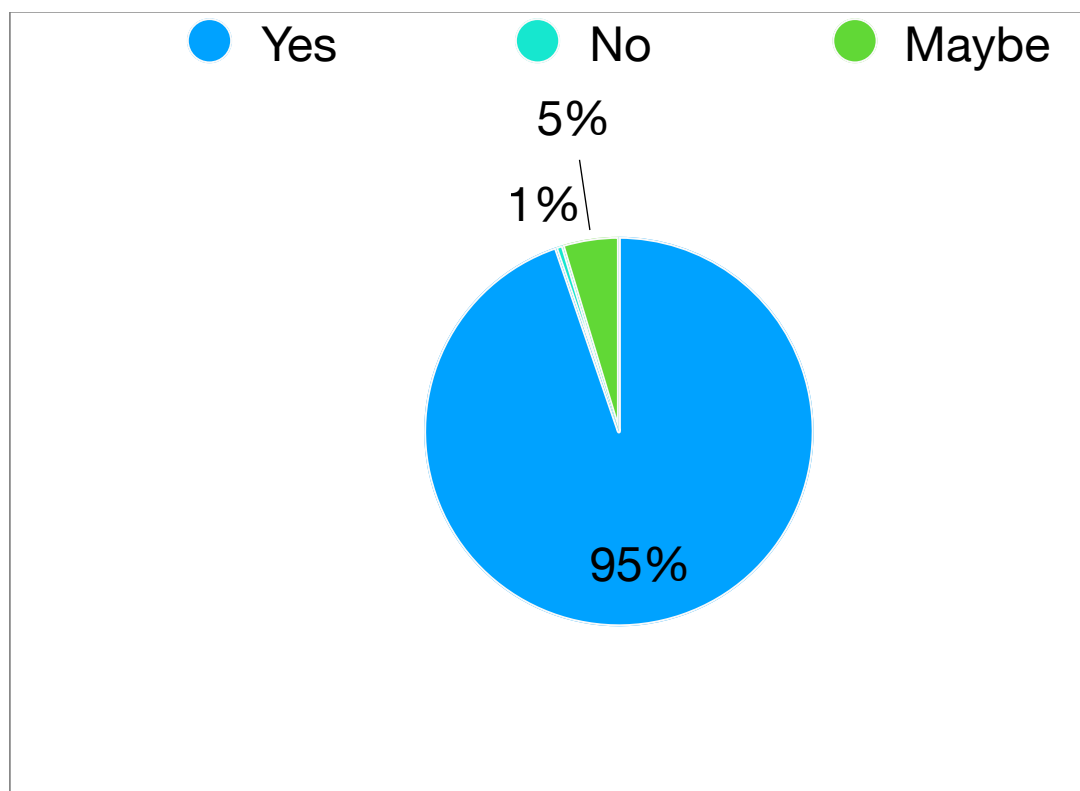
Relevance of the webinar to respondents (on a scale of 1 to 5):



Response to whether the content met the respondent's expectations (on a scale of 1 to 5):



Responses to their willingness to participate in more such webinars:





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Moderated by: **Ms. Shalini Srivastava**, Associate Professor, Dept. of Economics, Jesus and Mary College

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