



# Call for Papers

## **COVID-19 in South Asia**

### **It's Impact on Society, Economics and Politics**

**An Edited Volume by**

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Apparently, public health is a common good and Covid-19 makes no discrimination. This is a global fight against a common invisible enemy. Covid-19 pandemic renders a serious wake-up call to stop armed conflict and immediately halt fighting and devote all our energy and resources to fighting the world's common challenge – the coronavirus. The world is battling the COVID-19 global health emergency, and its economic and social ramifications. It is also racing against the clock to avoid the societal, economic, political and environmental crisis around the corner. The pandemic has shown us the importance of being prepared collectively when crises hit. Only such an approach can deliver win-win-win policies for people, planet and prosperity. This pandemic provides us with the opportunity to take a comprehensive look at the sustainability of our environmental, economic and social systems, at the way they interact and create more resilient societies.

South Asia region is well recognized with the large population, growing poverty, highly inequality and weak governance structures. The consequences of the Covid-19 crisis have a long time to play out in South Asia. Indeed, there is a possibility that South Asia could come through the crisis, if not unscathed, then perhaps less damaged than other parts of the world. As it continues to spread, COVID-19 is triggering an economic fallout that will drive millions into poverty and further increase inequality in South Asian countries. To understand the overall impact of COVID-19 on media, social values, religious affairs, development, economic affairs, food security, health security, income, SDGs, production, refugees, governance, law and order, politics, administration, overseas workers and foreign policy will be the key interest of this proposed edited volume.

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