



Society Activity Report 2020-2021

The Planning Forum

- Policy Arena (First Cycle)

Organised the first cycle of **Policy Arena**, a recurring and interactive event that aims to engage and provide the student community with a platform to discuss various policies while simultaneously gaining insights from experts in the field. The discussion's focus was on the Draft Health Data Management Policy and its guest speaker was **Dr. Roy Vergis**, a global clinical lead and WHO expert in digital healthcare, The event was held online on 24th and 27th September 2020.

DRAFT HEALTH DATA MANAGEMENT POLICY 2020

- INTRODUCTORY DISCUSSION **24th Sept**
- TALK BY EXPERTS **27th Sept**
- CONCLUDING DISCUSSION **30th Sept**



DR. ROY VERGIS
Global Clinical Lead and SME in Oncology,
WHO Expert in Digital Health
27 Sept | 4pm

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- Policy Arena (Second Cycle)

Organised the second cycle of **Policy Arena** around the Farm Bills with guest speaker **Dr Jayaprakash Narayana**, the founder and general secretary of the NGO Foundation for Democratic Reforms. The event was held online on 17th and 20th October 2020.

FARM BILLS 2020

INTRODUCTORY DISCUSSION 17th Oct

KEYNOTE ADDRESS 20th Oct

DR. JAYAPRAKASH NARAYANA
Founder and General Secretary of
Foundation for Democratic
Reforms (NGO)

20 Oct | 4pm

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- Policy Conclave

Organised the annual fest **Policy Conclave** that aims to encourage the participation and involvement of the student community in the field of public policy. The keynote address was given by **Ms. Yamini Aiyar**, President & Chief Executive of Center for Policy Research. The event was held online from 30th October to 1st November 2020.



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POLICY CONCLAVE

THEMIS: POLICY CASE COMPETITION

SLOT 1: 17 OCT 3.30-7.00PM
SLOT 2: 18 OCT 4.00-7.30PM
<https://tinyurl.com/themis2020>

POLICY RESEARCH COMPETITION

DEADLINE: 19 OCTOBER
<https://forms.gle/BusqwdMntPLFaa287>

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Navigating India's 21st Century Policy Challenges

KEYNOTE LECTURE BY

Ms. Yamini Aiyar
President & Chief Executive of Centre for Policy Research

30 October, Friday | Time: 4:00pm

Academic Partner: 

Media Partners:      

- Policy Case Competition and Policy Research Competition

As part of Policy Conclave, the society organised **Themis: A Policy Case Competition** and a **Policy Research Competition**. Both events drew widespread participation from the student community.

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THEMIS

POLICY CASE COMPETITION

Participation in teams of 2

Lone Wolves welcome

Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/themis2020>

Media Partners:     

Preliminary Round

Slot 1: 17 Oct 3:30-7:00pm
Slot 2: 18 Oct 4:00-7:30pm

Open to all undergraduates, including incoming batch and school students of classes 11 and 12

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POLICY RESEARCH COMPETITION

Send us your research proposals in the field of Public Policy

Register at: <https://forms.gle/BusqwdMntPLFaa287>

Participation in teams of 2. Lone wolves allowed

Deadline: 17 October 2020

Media Partners:     

Open to Undergraduates

Stand a chance to win an opportunity to fund your research and be mentored by experts in the field

- Keynote Lecture by Mr. P. Sainath

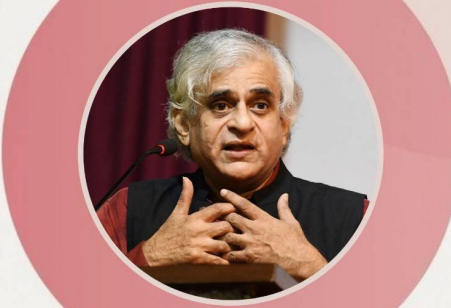
Mr. P. Sainath, a renowned Indian Journalist, Author and founder of People's Archive of Rural India, held a keynote lecture on the topic of **Mass Media vs Mass Reality**. The event was held online on 3rd February 2021.



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KEYNOTE LECTURE

MASS MEDIA V/S MASS REALITY




P. SAINATH


Journalist, Author, Founder of People's Archive of Rural India (PARI) and Recipient of Ramon Magsaysay Award

3 FEBRUARY 2021 | 5 PM


- St. Stephen's Model United Nations
The society organised **St. Stephen's Model United Nations**, an event that had the participation of 300 delegates across India. The event's Honorary General Secretary was **Shri Rahul Chhabra**, Secretary of Economic Relations and Minister of External Affairs. It was held online from 26th to 28th February 2021.

 ST. STEPHEN'S MODEL UNITED NATIONS


DAY 1



26TH, 27TH, 28TH FEBRUARY 2021

 ST. STEPHEN'S MODEL UNITED NATIONS

DAY 3

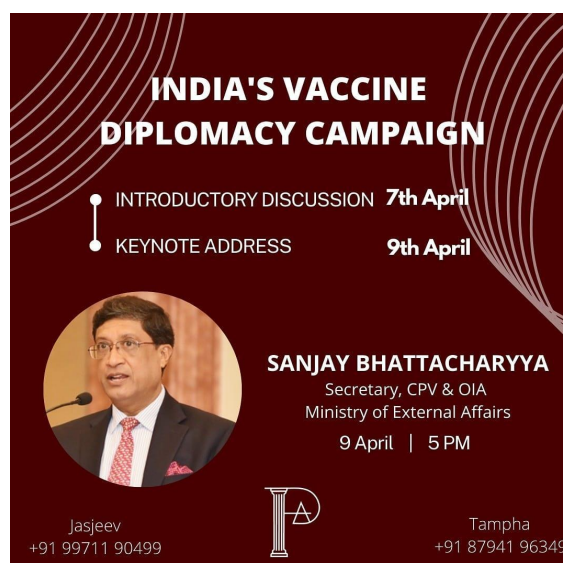


26TH, 27TH, 28TH FEBRUARY 2021



- Policy Arena (Third Cycle)

Organised the third and final cycle of **Policy Arena** around India's Vaccine Diplomacy Cycle Campaign with guest speaker **Shri. Sanjay Bhattacharyya**, Secretary of CPV and OIA. The event was held online on 7th and 9th April 2021.



- Policy 101

Organised **Policy 101**, an interactive session on the topic of **Building a Career in the Field of Public Policy**. The speakers were Mr. Dhiman Talapatra, an avid environmentalist who was currently a Communication Officer at Green Flower Foundation and **Ms. Atma Dinnie Charles**, a consultant at the United Nations Environment Programme and an advisory board member of the Geneva Consulting Network. The event was held online on 10th April 2021.



THE PLANNING FORUM
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POLICY 101
AN INTERACTIVE SESSION
ON
**BUILDING A CAREER IN THE FIELD
OF PUBLIC POLICY**

10 APRIL | 5PM

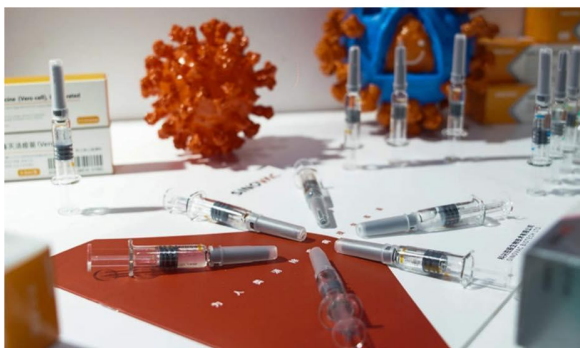
DHIMAN TALAPATRA
Communication Officer at GFF |
Graduate Institute | OECD |
NITI Aayog

ATMA DINNIE CHARLES
Consultant at UNEP | UNDP |
UNJIU | Graduate Institute |
Teach for India

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- Know Your Policy

Launched **Know Your Policy** in April 2021, wherein first year junior members put together infographics on various public policies throughout the month of April 2021.



DO YOU KNOW ABOUT INDIA'S VACCINE DIPLOMACY STRATEGY?

India will need more than a billion doses to protect its own population. But it also aims to offer 20 million doses to neighboring countries. It will then distribute vaccines to Latin America, Africa, and the former Soviet Republics.



To know more, register for Policy Arena: <https://tinyurl.com/policyarena2021>



DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE INDIA- QUAD VACCINE AGREEMENT?

The most notable takeaway from the first-ever "Quad" leaders meeting involving the United States, India, Japan and Australia was the agreement on expanding the global vaccine supply. So far 71 countries have received vaccines manufactured in India, garnering it the title of "The World's Pharmacy".



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- The Stephenian Forum

The Stephenian Forum functions throughout the academic year and is a platform for the student community to voice their opinions. The Forum publishes articles in the field of culture, society, Stephania and politics. 'Gender Constructs in India' and 'The Trials and Triumphs of Virtual College' are some pieces that were published in this academic year.



The trials and triumphs of virtual college: A Stephanian Experience

Team Stephania (2020-21)

*Tasha Ahmed, Kevin Joy Varghese, Jame Thomas
Mathew, Rhea Rose Kappan*

It was not about turning a handle and pushing the door. A mere 'join with audio' was hair raising enough. "Ah, you're finally here, can you hear me?" was the war cry. College interviews are never not an ordeal. Having this year's interviews online meant that the preparation ritual also involved appeasing the internet gods. First-years sharing their experience conceded that it was rather singular. Those having the misfortune of a power cut sizzled and shivered simultaneously mirroring the oscillating nature of the interviews. While there was hardly anyone without cold feet, some are of the opinion that the online format facilitated calmness. "I minimised my window so it was just me wooing my dark academia background to get me into college" declared one. The professors turned

