

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
YOUNG SCHOLARS' WORKSHOP

Young Scholars' Workshop on *State of Peace And Conflict 2023* was organized by the National Institute Of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bengaluru on 23rd February 2023 in collaboration with the Department Of History, Loyola College, Chennai & India Office Of The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

Inaugural Session:

The inaugural session began with Mr. Muthuraman, Assistant Professor, Loyola College, introducing the one-day workshop. Dr. D. Anuradha, Head of the Department, Department of History, Loyola College, welcomed the gathering and spoke about the collaboration with NIAS and India Office of the Konrad-Adenauer- Stiftung, on the signing of MoU and the launch of GPYV. Next, Dr. D Suba Chandran, Dean, of the School of Conflict and Security Studies, NIAS explained the dynamics of the one-day workshop and their future plans with the Department of History.

Session I

The first session was held from 9.30 a.m to 11.00 pm. The theme of the session was National and Regional Conflicts. Dr. D Suba Chandran, NIAS moderated the session. The session had four paper presentations with two resource persons- Prof Sindhu Radhakrishna, NIAS & Dr. Mallika Joseph. The papers primarily revolved around the conflict and the resolution aspects of each issue. The paper presenters were scholars from Loyola College post graduate students and other colleges. The following are the papers presented:

1. **MOHAIMEEN KHAN** - Postgraduate Scholar, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE) upon - *Iran: Protests, regime responses, and global reactions.*
2. **ANU MARIA JOSEPH** - Research Assistant, NIAS upon - *Sudan: Continuing political instability, protests, and ethnic violence.*
3. **FATHIMA SEMEER** - Ph.D. Scholar, University College, Trivandrum upon - *The Sahel: Security concerns and forecast.*

4. **SA KRISAANTH** and **SANDRA WILFRED**, Postgraduate Scholars, Loyola College, Chennai upon - *Latin America: Climate change-driven migration and implications.*

Remarks upon the presentations were given by the resource persons along with moderators adding comments relating to their topics. It was followed by a Q&A session with the presenters and the students and other scholars.

Session II

The second session was from 11.30 a.m. to 1.00 pm and commenced after the tea break. The theme of the session was National and Regional Conflicts. Dr. D Suba Chandran, NIAS moderated the session. The session had four paper presentations with two resource persons- Ms. Ramya from Krishna Jayanti College, Bengaluru, and Dr. Mallika Joseph. Primarily revolved around conflict and the resolution aspects of each issue. The paper presenters were scholars from Loyola college Post Graduate students and other colleges. The following papers were presented:

1. **JOHN MICHAEL**- Postgraduate Scholar from University Of Hyderabad upon *Peru: Continuing Environmental Conflict and the rise in violence.*
2. **MARIA GLORY LAUREN CARVALHO**- Postgraduate scholar from Loyola College upon *Kyrgyzstan- Tajikistan- Border Conflict, causes and way forward.*
3. **SHAFIQ AHMAD**- Postgraduate scholar from Loyola college upon *Nagaland: Socio-political unrest, ethnic conflict, and insurgency.*
4. **DS MURUGAN YADAV**- Postgraduate scholar from Madras University upon *Afghanistan: Appalling governance, stifling humanitarian situation, and rising resistance.*

Remarks upon the presentations were given by the resource persons along with moderators adding comments upon the same. Followed by a Q/A session with the presenters and the students and other scholars. Further lunch break was from 1.00 pm to 1.55 pm and followed by Session III.

Session III

The Third session was from 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm and commenced after the lunch break. The theme was Global Conflicts and Issues-I, moderated by Dr. PJ Biju Joseph, Assistant Professor, at Loyola College. The session had four presenters with a resource person- Dr. Ashik Bonofer, Madras Christian College. The following papers were presented:

1. **FEMY FRANCIS**, Research Intern, NIAS upon - *China: Crises of economy and demography*
2. **MELVIN GEORGE**, Postgraduate Scholar, Loyola College upon - *Taiwan: Development of semiconductor chips as a strategic tool and future of conflict.*
3. **ANIRUDH KRISHNAN**, Postgraduate Scholar, Manipal Academy of Higher Education upon - *US-China: Technological competition, the role of semiconductors and rising techno-nationalist policies.*
4. **ALKA BALA**, Undergraduate Scholar, St Joseph's University upon- *Senkaku Islands: Rising tensions between Japan and Korea, and failed dispute management.*

Remarks upon the presentations were given by the resource persons along with moderators adding comments upon the same. Followed by a Q/A session with the presenters and the students and other scholars. after, a short break Continued Session IV.

Session IV

The fourth session was from 4.00 pm to 5.30 pm and commenced after the tea break. The theme was Global Conflicts and Issues II moderated by Mr. Muthuraman, Assistant Professor, at Loyola College. The session had four presenters with a resource person- Dr. Bernard D' Sami, from Loyola College. The following were the presenters and presentations of Session 4-

1. **SHALINI DUNG DUNG-** Postgraduate scholar, Loyola College presented on behalf of **AKSHAYA J** from Loyola College upon *Rohingyas- Citizenship, Refuge, and International support.*
2. **YASMIN ROSAMMAL DANIEL-** Undergraduate scholar from St. Joseph's University upon *Europe: Climate Migration, increased securitization, and mitigation.*
3. **DEBALEENA MITRA-**a Ph.D. scholar from Jadhav University upon *Climate change in the Himalayas: Chinese engagement and threat multiplication.*
4. **NIKHIL KUMAR-** Postgraduate scholar from Loyola College upon *Israel: Netanyahu's return, prolonged political crisis, and protests.*

Remarks were given by the resource person and the moderator and followed by the Q&A session. Dr. Bernard D' Sami, gave inputs on how titles could be framed and further addition on how to present the papers, followed by a Q&A session with presenters, scholars, and students.

Valedictory:

Dr. PJ Biju Joseph, Assistant Professor, Loyola College, gave the concluding remarks of the four sessions and the collaboration with the National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, where he mentioned it as an exchange of ideas, and a great opportunity for our postgraduate students to publish papers. Following this, Mr. Muthuraman, Assistant Professor, Loyola College presented the day's report stating that 16 papers were presented in multiple areas. Rashmi Ramesh, a research associate, NIAS shared her experience of the one-day program. Apoorva Sudhakar, Research Associate, NIAS delivered a vote of thanks on behalf of NIAS. Dr. D. Anuradha, Head of the department, Department of History, Loyola College, also delivered the vote of thanks on behalf of Loyola College, mentioning the new collaboration launch of the global politics workshop is the first of its kind in Loyola College, especially for PG students and thanked the resource persons for their critical observation and recommendations. Prof. J. Ranganathan, Coordinator, Department of History, gave a concluding note, stating that this collaboration is the beginning and that there are many more of such to go.