

Covid-19 A Big Threat To The World In Socio-Economic Perspective

The Covid -19 pandemic is considered as the most crucial global health calamity of the century and the greatest challenge. In December 2019, a new infectious respiratory disease emerged in Wuhan (China) and was named by the World Health Organisation as COVID-19. It has rapidly spread around the world, posing enormous health, economic, environmental and social challenges to the entire human population. The coronavirus outbreak is severely disrupting the global economy. Indian government announced a Rs. 1.7-lakh-crore relief package for social welfare on 26 march 2020 and the mega Rs. 20 lakh crore stimulus package announced on 12 may 2020 by PM of India.

Pandemics in general are not merely serious public health concern, rather these trigger disastrous socio-economic and political crises in the infected countries. The novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) has the potential to significantly slowdown the economy not only of China, USA or India but also of the world as a whole. Therefore, healthcare personnel, government and the public in general need to show solidarity and fight shoulder to shoulder for prevention and containment of the pandemic. More than 200 countries have reported confirmed COVID-19 cases, including China, USA, Italy, Iran, UAE, France, UK, Japan, Russia, Germany, India, Nepal etc. In USA more than 86,000 people died of this disease. According to the report of the Chinese government and the WHO, the current outbreak has infected some 82933 people in China out of which more than 4633 people have died . The first case of coronavirus outbreak in India was reported on 30 January 2020 in Kerala, when a student had returned home from Wuhan University in China. The emergence and spread of COVID-19 from Asia to the America, Africa and the Europe represent a global pandemic threat.

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