

## **The School of Social Work**

The School of Social Work (SOSW) at Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) was established in 2007. It aims to provide quality education in the areas of social work, HIV/AIDS, counselling, and family studies by offering programmes leading to the award of Certificate, Diploma, Graduate, Post Graduate and Doctoral degrees.

The SOSW at IGNOU is the first School of Social work offering social work programmes in ODL mode. It is the first school of Social Work in India to take social work education to all the States and Union Territories in the country. It has indigenously developed high-quality Self-Instructional Materials (SIM) and uses multi-media approach for imparting social work teaching and training both in English and Hindi. It offers social work programmes to in-service learners and engages a large number of practitioners for field supervision.

### **Academic Programmes**

Presently the School offers ten programmes of study apart from other important academic activities which include organizing the Annual National Seminar on “Social Work Response to HIV/AIDS”. The programmes offered by the School:

#### **Open and Distance Mode**

1. Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work (PhD)
2. Master of Social Work (Counselling): MSW– C (ODL)
3. Master of Social Work (MSW: ODL)
4. Bachelor of Social Work (BSWG: ODL)
5. Post Graduate Diploma in Social Work Counselling (PGDCOUN: ODL)
6. Diploma in HIV and Family Education (DAFE:ODL)
7. Certificate in HIV and Family Education (CAFE:ODL)
8. Certificate in Social Work and Criminal Justice System (CSWCJS: ODL)
9. Certificate in Tribal Studies (CTRBS:ODL)

#### **Online Mode**

10. Certificate in Tribal Studies (CTRBSOL)- Online
11. Bachelor in Social Work (BSWOL)-Online

### **1. PhD in Social Work (PhD)**

The research degree programme in Social Work aims at training professionals (both academicians and practitioners) in the skills and competencies related to systematic investigation of various issues and problems in the area of Social Work. Under this programme, a candidate fulfilling the following criteria is eligible for admission in the PhD programme:

Master’s degree in social work and/or M.Phil degree in social work. The minimum eligibility criteria is 55% marks at post-graduation level (50% in case of reserved categories i.e. SC/ST, OBC–NCL and PWD).

However, candidates holding M.Phil degree (along with course and dissertation both) or those candidates who have cleared NET (Conducted by NTA) or any other equivalent examination will be exempted from appearing in the entrance test.

Those who have not cleared NET/any other equivalent examination or not holding M.Phil degree will be required to appear for the entrance test.

### **Stage 1**

The entrance test will be conducted at the national level in the selected centers across the country.

### **Stage 2**

1. Candidates who are successful in the entrance test will be called for interview/presentation of synopsis before the Discipline Doctoral Committee.
2. Those candidates exempted from appearing in the entrance test will also be called for interview/ presentation of synopsis before the Discipline Doctoral Committee.
3. Offer letter for admission will be sent to the **selected candidates only**.

### **Programme Details**

#### Theory Courses

1. MSW-002: Origin and Development of Social Work in India (4 Credits)
2. MSW-005: Social work Practicum Supervision (4 Credits)
3. MSW-006: Social Work Research (4 Credits)
4. MSW-007: Case Work and Counselling: Working with Individuals (4 Credits)
5. MSW-010: Introduction to Philanthropic Social Work (4 Credits)
6. MSWE-001: HIV/AIDS: Stigma and Discrimination (4 Credits)
7. MSWE-003: Disaster Management (4 Credits)
8. MSWE-004: Tribal Development and Social Work Practice (4 Credits)
9. MSWE-009: Theoretical Frameworks and Review of Studies in Social Work (4 credits)
10. MSW 013: Introduction to psychological basis of counselling (4 credits)
11. MSW016: Fields of Counselling (4 credits)

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## **2. Master of Social Work (Counselling): MSW– C (ODL)**

This programme would provide both academic learning and professional education and training in counselling, extending beyond theoretical knowledge. This programme is tailored to suit counselors working in a wide range of organizational and community contexts as well as individuals in a family. With the fast-changing social scenario, the problems being faced by people across the board are numerous. Unlike in the western world, counselling services are very inadequate in India. There is a growing demand for counselors in schools, corporate sector, health care setting, social and welfare sectors, correctional settings etc. However, schools/universities where

counselling course/programme are taught in India are very few. There is a good potential for employment in government as well as NGO sectors. There is an urgent need for specially trained counselors to handle the stress of employees working with call centres, corporate sectors, families, family courts, correctional settings, school, universities and educational institutions, rehabilitation centres, refugee camps, institutions for the differently abled, aged, child care and adoption centres, family planning, voluntary counselling and testing centres, rural sectors especially where farmers are driven to commit suicide, de-addiction centres etc. Course details of MSWCOUN is as below–

**Total Number of Credits:** 72

**Eligibility:** Bachelor’s degree from a recognized University.

**Medium of instruction:** Hindi and English

**Duration:** Minimum 2 years and Maximum 4 years; offered in both January & July cycle of admissions.

**Fee:** INR 36,000 for full programme to be paid year wise @INR 18,000/-per year subject to change as per University norms.

### Programme Details

<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Compulsory Courses</b>		
<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
MSW-001	Origin and Development of Social Work	4 Credits
MSW-002	Professional Social Work: Indian Perspective	4 Credits
MSW-005	Social Work Practicum and Supervision	4 Credits
MSW-008	Social Group Work: Working with Groups	4 Credits
MSW-009	Community Organisation Management for Community Development	4 Credits
<b>Fieldwork (Compulsory)</b>		
MSWL-046	Social Work Practicum-I	8 Credits
MSWL-047	Block Placement	8 Credits
<b>Total Credits 36</b>		
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Compulsory Courses</b>		
<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
MSW-12	Introduction to Life Characteristics and Challenges	4 Credits
MSW-13	Introduction to Psychological Basis of Counselling	4 Credits
MSW-14	Relevance of Social Case Work in Counselling	4 Credits
MSW-15	Basics of Counselling	4 Credits
MSW-16	Fields of Counselling	4 Credits
<b>Fieldwork (Compulsory)</b>		
MSWL-048	Social Work Practicum-II	8 Credits
MSWL-049	Internship	8 Credits

<b>Total Credits 36</b>
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### **Field Work Components**

One of the important pillars of the MSW: Counselling programme is the Fieldwork Practicum. The University has prepared two Field Work Journals in the 1st and 2nd year separately. Each year, learners are expected to successfully complete 16 credits of Field Work Practicum under the guidance of a professionally qualified Social Worker, which includes concurrent field visits and the block placement. The coordinator at the Study Centre will provide you with an approved guide who has done MSW/M.A. (Social Work). Only qualified guide can supervise you for your field work; this is mandatory. Therefore, ensure from the coordinator of the concerned study centre that your supervisor has formal qualification in social work at post-graduation level. Completion of Field Work in MSW Ist year is mandatory for starting social work practicum of second year.

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### **3. Master of Social Work (MSW: ODL)**

The MSW (ODL) programme offers opportunities to learners for higher studies in professional social work. Besides offering the core courses pertaining to social work curriculum across the globe and India, it includes themes in some of the emerging areas of social work such as globalization, migration, history of social work in India, theory paper on social work practicum and a course on HIV/AIDS which are expected to be highly useful in the present-day context. The practical components have been meticulously prepared to provide the learners' hands-on training, which will enable the candidates to find suitable placements within and outside the country. The MSW programme has been revised in 2019 to match the changing realities and requirements of job market. The highlights of the revised version include Block Placement and Internship in practical component and emphasis on Social work in African Context, Criminal Justice, Contemporary Methods, Values of Social Work and International Social Work.

Accordingly, a student is expected to successfully complete 72 credits which include compulsory courses, elective courses as well as field work. The details of which are given below:

**Total Number of Credits:** 72

**Eligibility:** Bachelor's degree from a recognized University.

**Medium of Instruction:** Hindi and English

**Duration:** Minimum 2 years and Maximum 4 years; offered in both January & July cycle of admissions.

**Fee:** INR 36,000 for full programme to be paid year wise @INR 18,000/-per year subject to change as per University norms.

### Programme Details

<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Compulsory Courses</b>		
<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
MSW-001	Origin and Development of Social Work	4
MSW-002	Professional Social Work: Indian Perspectives	4
MSW-005	Social Work Practicum and Supervision	4
<b>Electives (Any two out of five)</b>		
MSW-003	Basic Social Science Concepts	4
MSW-006	Social Work Research	4
MSW-004	Social Work and Social Development	4
MSWE-010	Social Work in African Context	4
MSW-032	Social Work and Criminal Justice	4
<b>Field Work (Compulsory)</b>		
MSWL 013	Social Work Practicum- I	8
MSWL014	Block Placement	8
<b>II Year</b>		
<b>Compulsory Courses</b>		
MSW-007	Case Work and Counselling: Working with Individuals	4
MSW-008	Social Group Work: Working with Groups	4
MSW-009	Community Organization Management for Community Development	4
MSW017	Contemporary Methods and Values of Social Work	4
<b>Electives (Any one out of five)</b>		
MSWE-001	HIV/AIDS: Stigma, Discrimination and Prevention	4
MSWE-002	Women and Child Development	4
MSWE 007	International Social Work	4
MSWE003	Disaster Management	4
MSWP001	Dissertation(Project Work)	4
<b>Fieldwork(Compulsory)</b>		
MSWL015	Social Work Practicum-II	8
MSWL016	Internship	8
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>72</b>

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#### 4. Bachelor of Social Work (BSWG: ODL)

The Bachelor Degree Programme in Social Work (BSWG) is meant for people who are interested in providing professional assistance to people in need. Persons with professional training/degree in Social Work generally work in socially relevant areas such as health care, community development, education, industry, counselling, family, correction, social defense, women, children, disability etc. This programme will be particularly useful to people employed at middle and lower levels with NGOs. It will also be useful to fresh candidates who may like to work in social and social welfare sectors.

**Total Credits:** 132

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or Equivalent.

**Fee Structure:** Rs. 17700/- for full programme and to be paid Rs.5900/- per year.

**Duration of the Programme:** Minimum 3 years and maximum 6 years. Offered in both January and July cycle of admissions.

**Medium of Instruction:** English and Hindi.

### Programme Details

	Course Code	Course Name	Credits
<b>Semester I</b>	BHDLA-135 OR BEGLA-135	Hindi Bhasha: Vivid Prayog OR English in Daily Life	6 OR 6
	BSW-121	Professional Social Work and its Values	6
	BSWL – 104*	Social Work Practicum – IV	10
	<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>

	Course Code	Course Name	Credits
<b>Semester II</b>	BSW-122	Society, Social Institutions and Social Problems	6
	BSW-123	Community Organization and Communication	6
	BSWL – 105*	Social Work Practicum – V	10
	<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>

	Course Code	Course Name	Credits
<b>Semester III</b>	BSW-124	Human Growth, Behaviour and Counselling	6
	BSW-125	Social Case Work and Social Group Work	6
	BSWL – 106*	Social Work Practicum – VI	10
	<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>

	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Semester IV</b>	BSW-126	Social Work in Family Setting	6
	BSW-127	Public Health and HIV/AIDS	6
	BSWL – 107*	Social Work Practicum – VII	10
	<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>

	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Semester V</b>	BSW-128	Social Policy and Social Development	6
	BSW-129	Research Methods in Social Work	6
	BSWL-108*	Social Work Practicum – VIII	10
	<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>

	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Semester VI</b>	BSW-130	Prevention of Substance Abuse	6
	BSW-131	Social Welfare Administration and Social Action	6
	BSWL- 109*	Social Work Practicum - IX	10
	<b>Total</b>		<b>22</b>

\*These courses are practical for the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth semesters of BSWG respectively. Successful completion of practical in first semester is a necessary condition for taking up practical for the second semester. Similarly, successful completion of practical in the second semester is a necessary condition for taking up practical for the third semester and so on.

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## **5. Post Graduate Diploma in Social Work Counselling (PGDCOUN: ODL)**

This programme would provide both academic learning and professional education and training in counselling, extending beyond theoretical knowledge. This programme is tailored to suit counsellors working in a wide range of organizational and community context as well as individuals in a family. With the fast-changing social scenario, the problems being faced by people from across the board are many. Unlike in the western world, counselling services are very inadequate in India. There is a growing demand for counsellors in schools, corporate sector, health care setting, social and welfare sectors, correctional settings etc. Moreover, schools/universities where counselling course/programme are taught in India are very few. There is an urgent need for trained counsellors to handle the stress of employees working with call centres, corporate sectors, families, family courts, correctional settings, school, universities & educational institutions, rehabilitation centres, refugee camps, institutions for the differently abled, aged child care and adoption centres, family planning, voluntary counselling and testing

centres, rural sectors especially where farmers are driven to commit suicide, de-addiction centres etc. This programme would enrich the functionaries working in NGOs, welfare agencies as well as in human resource management.

**Eligibility:** Graduation in any discipline from a recognized University.

**Medium of Instruction:** English & Hindi

**Duration:** Minimum 1 year and maximum 3 years; offered in both January & July cycle of admissions.

**Fee Structure:** Rs. 15000/- for full programme fee.

### Programme Details

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
MSW-001	Origin and Development of Social Work	4 credits
MSW-12	Introduction to Life Characteristics and Challenges	4 credits
MSW-13	Introduction to Psychological Basis of Counselling	4 credits
MSW-14	Relevance of Social Case Work in Counselling	4 credits
MSW-15	Basics of Counselling	4 credits
MSW-16	Fields of Counselling	4 credits
MSWL-011	Social Work Practicum	12 credits
Total Credits		<b>36</b>

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### 6. Diploma in HIV and Family Education (DAFE: ODL)

The Diploma in HIV and Family Education aims at providing basic and accurate information about HIV/AIDS, sex and sexuality, family life education, alcohol and drugs and communication and counseling. The contents are designed to impart an integrated understanding to the learners about the issues involved in HIV/AIDS and behavior modification. The main objective of this programme is to enhance the knowledge and skills of functionaries involved in HIV/AIDS and related issues. The main target groups include school teachers, NGO functionaries, paramedical, parents of adolescents and those interested in acquiring knowledge on the subject. The Diploma in HIV and Family Education Programme has seven courses and is on offer from several state open universities.

**Total Number of Credits:** 24

**Fee:** INR 1500/- for full programme.

**Duration:** Minimum 1 years and Maximum 4 years.

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or its equivalent.

**Medium of Instruction:** English & Hindi.



## Programme Details

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
BFE-101	Public Health and HIV/AIDS	4 Credits
BFE-102	Basics of Family Education	4 Credits
BFEE-101	Elective on HIV/AIDS	4 Credits
BFEE-102	Elective on Family Education	4 Credits
BFEE-103	Alcohol, Drugs and HIV	4 Credits
BFEE-104	Communication and Counselling in HIV/AIDS	4 Credits

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### 7. Certificate in HIV and Family Education (CAFE: ODL)

The Certificate in HIV and Family Education provides comprehensive knowledge about what, why and how of HIV/AIDS, family life education, facts of life and substance abuse. The contents are designed to impart an integrated understanding to the learners about the issues involved in HIV/AIDS and behavior modification. The certificate programme has the following courses of 4 credits each. A learner has to choose 2 compulsory courses and two optional from the 4 electives. One has to acquire 16 credits for a certificate. A student who has successfully completed CAFÉ can also pursue for DAFE by completing the remaining courses of 16 credits and request the University for credit transfer from CAFE to DAFE.

**Total Number of Credits:** 16

**Fee:** INR 1000/- (subject to change)

**Duration:** Minimum 06 month and Maximum 2 years

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or its equivalent.

**Medium of Instruction:** English & Hindi.

## Programme Details

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
<b>Compulsory Courses</b>		
BFE-101	Public Health and HIV/AIDS	4 Credits
BFE-102	Basics of Family Education	4 Credits
<b>Optional Courses</b>		
BFEE-101	Elective on HIV/AIDS	4 Credits
BFEE-102	Elective on Family Education	4 Credits
BFEE-103	Alcohol, Drugs and HIV	4 Credits
BFEE-104	Communication and Counselling in HIV/AIDS	4 Credits

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## 8. Certificate in Social Work and Criminal Justice System (CSWCJS: ODL)

The programme aims at developing a cadre of trained para-social workers to render humanitarian services in criminal justice system. It also aims at providing knowledge base and skill training to learners along with practical experiences to render social and legal services in correctional settings across the country. Another focus of the programme is to extend professional help to target population in correctional setting. The Certificate programme in Social Work and Criminal Justice System would pave the way for creating space and demonstrate humanitarian initiatives that address specific issues of marginalized people in Criminal Justice System.

**Total Number of Credits:** 16

**Fee:** INR 1400/-

**Duration:** Minimum 6 months and Maximum 2 years

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or its equivalent.

**Medium of Instruction:** English & Hindi.

### Programme Details

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
<b>Theory</b>		
MSW-031	Social Work Intervention in Correctional Settings	4 Credits
MSW-032	Social Work and Criminal Justice	4 Credits
<b>Practical</b>		
MSWL-033	Social Work Practicum in Correctional Settings	8 Credits

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## 9. Certificate in Tribal Studies (CTRBS: ODL)

The School of Social Work has launched the Certificate programme in Tribal studies. The course provides information about the tribal community found within India and provides the learner with a wide knowledge about the practices, belief and culture of the tribal communities.

**Total Number of Credits:** 16

**Fee:** INR 1000/- for full programme.

**Duration:** Minimum 6 months and Maximum 2 years

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or its equivalent.

**Medium:** English.

### Programme Details

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
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BSW-041	Understanding the tribals	4 Credits
BSW-042	Tribal Society	4 Credits
BSW-043	Tribals of South and Central India	4 Credits
BSW-044	Tribals in North and Northeast Region of India	4 Credits

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## 10. Certificate in Tribal Studies (CTRBSOL)- Online

The School of Social Work has also launched the Online Certificate programme in Tribal studies. The course provides information about the tribal community found within India and provides the learner with a wide knowledge about the practices, belief and culture of the tribal communities.

**Total Number of Credits:** 16

**Fee:** INR 1000/- for full programme.

**Duration:** Minimum 6 months and Maximum 2 years

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or its equivalent.

**Medium:** English.

### Programme Details

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
BSW-041	Understanding the tribals	4 Credits
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## 11. Bachelor in Social Work (BSWOL)- Online

The Bachelor Degree Programme in Social Work (BSW) online is aimed for people who are interested in providing professional assistance to people in need. With the changing global scenario, new concerns and human problems a lot is left to be addressed. Here, Social Work can fill-in the gaps and bring about a change in the society.

**Total Credits:** 132

**Eligibility:** 10+2 or equivalent.

**Medium:** English

**Fee structure:****Indian Students**– Rs.5900/- Per Year**SAARC**–INR 10,000/-Per Year**NON-SAARC**:US\$650/-Per Year**Course Structure**

<b>Semester</b>	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Semester I	BEGLA-135	English in Daily Life	6
	BSW-121	Professional Social Work and its Values	6
	BSWL–104	Social Work Practicum– IV	10
	Total		22
<b>Semester</b>	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
SemesterII	BSW-122	Society, Social Institutions and Social Problems	6
	BSW-123	Community Organisation and Communication	6
	BSWL–105	Social Work Practicum–V	10
	Total		22
<b>Semester</b>	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Semester III	BSW-124	Human Growth, Behaviors and Counselling	6
	BSW-125	Social Case Work and Social Group Work	6
	BSWL–106	Social Work Practicum–VI	10
	Total		22
<b>Semester</b>	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Semester IV	BSW-126	Social Work in Family Setting	6
	BSW-127	Public Health and HIV/AIDS	6
	BSWL–107	Social Work Practicum–VII	10
	Total		22
<b>Semester</b>	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Semester V	BSW-128	Social Policy and Social Development	6
	BSW-129	Research Methods in Social Work	6
	BSWL-108	Social Work Practicum–VIII	10
	Total		22
<b>Semester</b>	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Semester VI	BSW-130	Prevention of Substance Abuse	6
	BSW-131	Social Welfare Administration and Social Action	6

	BSWL- 109	Social Work Practicum–IX	10
	Total		22

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### **Activities of School of Social Work**

Since 2004, the University has been organizing an Annual National Seminar on Social Work Response to HIV/AIDS.

1. The 1st Seminar was held at PHD House, New Delhi on May 17-19, 2004 on “Social Work Education: Retrospect and Prospects” and “Social Work Response to HIV/AIDS”.
2. The 2nd Seminar was held at American Centre, American Embassy, New Delhi on September 16-18, 2005 on “A Compassionate Community for the HIV infected and affected”.
3. The 3rd Seminar was held at American Centre, American Embassy, New Delhi on October 12-14, 2006 on “Social Work, Women and HIV/AIDS”.
4. The 4th Seminar was held at Don Bosco Institute, Guwahati on November 16-19, 2007 on the theme “Reaching the Unreached: Best Practices”.
5. The 5th Seminar was held at Indian Social Institute, Bangalore on August 28-31, 2008 on “Involvement of Faith Based Organizations in Social Work and HIV/AIDS”.
6. The 6th Seminar was held at D.N.R. College, Bhimavaram, Andhra Pradesh on October 7-10, 2009 on “Involvement of Youth in the Prevention and Control of HIV/AIDS” and “Participation of Youth in Social Work”.
7. The 7th Seminar was held at Mariam College, Kuttikanam, Kerala on August 19-22, 2010 on “Research based intervention in professional social work and HIV/AIDS”.

8. The 8th Seminar was held at CSRD-ISWR, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra on February 24-27, 2011 on “Issues and Challenges in the wake of Rural Development”.
9. The 9th Seminar was held at Department of Social Work, VisvaBharati, P.O-Sriniketan, Dist-Birbhum, West Bengal, on January 27-29, 2012 on “Community Development, Social Work and HIV/AIDS”.
10. The 10th Seminar was held at Department of Social Work, Central University of Kerala, Kasaragod, Kerala, on January 28-31, 2013 on “Social Work Education in India: Standardization, Quality Assurance and Accreditation”.

### **National Webinar Series 2022**

The School of Social Work has launched National Webinar Series titled “**Social Work Practices and Education**” on **9th March 2022**. This webinar series aims at sharing and exchanging knowledge with the learners on different relevant social issues keeping the **World Social Work Day on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022** in mind. This webinar series aimsto equip the learners to relate the theories with practical experiences and how social work practices are practiced in the field.

So far, School has completed two webinars with distinguished experts from across the country to deliberate on the emerging issues of social work education and practice and are as follows:

- Professor Gracious Thomas(Former Director, SOSW) delivered lecture on Relevance of Social Work Values, Principles and Ethics in Contemporary Times on 9th March 2022.
- A panel of Manjinder Singh Sirsa, Former President Delhi Sikh GurudwaraManagement Committee (DSGMC), Dr Pawanindra Lal, Maulana Azad Medical College (MAMC), Mrs . Poonam Dhanda, Medical Social Worker, Safdarjung Hospital and MrsNeeti Suri Mishra, Delhi Legal Services Authority (DLSA) deliberated on Experiences of front line worker during COVID-19 on 7th April 2022.

### **Ph.D. Awarded:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title of the thesis</b>	<b>Name of the Supervisor/s</b>
Ms. RafatAara	Supervision in social work practicum in ODL and conventional system: A comparative study	Prof. Gracious Thomas
Ms. Nita Kumari	Extent of stigma and discrimination in the context of HIV/AIDS (with special reference to care and support system of HIV infected persons)	Prof. Gracious Thomas
Ms. P. J. Kochurani	Effectiveness of primary methods of social work in developing psychosocial competence of the adults with locomotor disabilities: A case study	Dr. Joseph I. Injody
Ms.NycilRomis Thomas	Impact of strengths based social work intervention for families with adolescents	Dr. Mary Venus Joseph
Mr. Pankaj Kumar Verma	Clinical social work interventions with patients with Schizophrenia: Implications for patients and	Dr. Rose Nembiakkim (I) Dr. A. N. Verma (E)

	caregivers	
Mr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh	Relevance of Social Work Intervention in the Care of Aged	Prof. Gracious Thomas
Mr. Rambabu Botcha	Retrospect and Prospect of Professional Social Work Education	Prof. Gracious Thomas
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