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**From Pratham Sevak**  
**Prof Sunil K Choudhary, Director**

We are glad to release the third quarterly issue of *Sanchayan* covering the three-month activities and events of the Centre from May to July 2023. The current issue of *Sanchayan* unfolds new developments and opportunities to take our activities to new horizons at the global level.

While the beginning of the year 2023 unveiled new national and global avenues and opportunities, particularly in the context of India acquiring the G-20 Presidency, the later part of the year witnessed undertaking of various activities and events by the Centre with greater encouragement, enthusiasm and exhilaration.

The past three months of the Centre revolved around multifaceted activities, events and programs undertaken with the help of its fellows and faculty, students and scholars, social activists and social scientists who have now become the inalienable parts of the *CGS Parivar*. Accomplishing its motto of *Aiming High, Touching Sky*, the Centre has been working assiduously in transforming the researching ambience by engaging, expressing and exposing to the new global realities.

### **CGS: Activities and Achievements**

The Centre for Global Studies expound dynamics of academic endeavours. In this direction, the centre in the previous quarter engaged in several areas of aca-

ademic enquiry from comparative politics to electoral politics and also towards understanding the structural dynamics of Indian education vis a vis the world. Our fellows and researchers organised and indulged in many programmes and activities at the Centre and in their respective institutions during the quarter from May to July 2023.

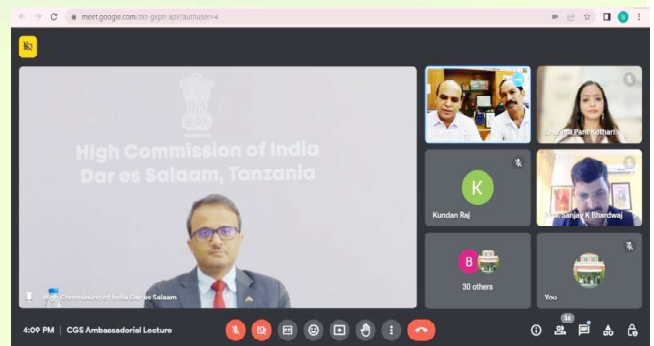
### **Karnataka Survey Result Workshop**

The centre organised Karnataka Survey Result Workshop on 13th May 2023 to celebrate the successful completion and electoral validation of CGS Samiksha 2023: Karnataka Assembly Elections. The coordinators, team leaders, surveyors, and students who played an instrumental role in accomplishing Samiksha 2023: Karnataka were congratulated for their hard work by the director on this occasion. Prof Sunil K Choudhary, Director, CGS interacted with all fellows, researchers, students and surveyors and applauded them for their successful attempts in highlighting the voting behaviour of citizens belonging to Karnataka.

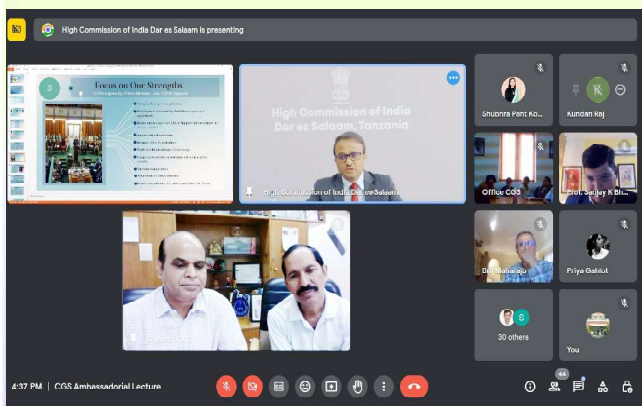


### **Ambassadorial Lecture Series**

The Centre organised 4th Ambassadorial Lecture on the occasion of Africa Day on 25th May 2023. The



theme of the online lecture was “India-Africa in the 21st Century: A Changing Perspective”. His excellency Shri Binaya Srikanta Pradhan, Indian High Commissioner to Tanzania was the keynote speaker. Prof. Brij Maharaj, University of KwaZulu-Natal chaired the programme and Prof. Sanjay Bhardwaj, SIS, JNU was the Guest of Honour. All the panelists asserted having a dynamic partnership between African Union and India focusing on overall development and growth. The current condition of Africa was discussed to highlight the political economy of the continent.



## DELHI 2023: Changing Democracy, Transforming Polity

A Samiksha Delhi Draft Meeting was held on 17 June 2023 at the centre to discuss the draft preparation for the Samiksha Delhi project. The Director Prof Sunil K Choudhary addressed the researchers and fellows engaged in the drafting of the Samiksha Delhi project. The project is an outcome of nearly three years’ rigorous and assiduous working of the scholars working on a book titled, ‘DELHI 2023: Changing Democracy, Transforming Polity’. The proposed book is expected to come out from Har-Anand Publications, Delhi by early 2024.

## PM Narendra Modi's Visit to University of Delhi: A Live Engagement

PM Narendra Modi's Visit to University of Delhi on 30 June 2023 on the occasion of the Valedictory function of the Centenary celebrations was screened at the Centre to all the fellows, researchers and administrative staff. It was a mesmerizing moment for all when

the Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi made all nostalgic by highlighting past glorious memories linked with University of Delhi. Characterizing University of Delhi not merely a university but a moment, the Hon’ble Prime Minister stated that it has kept alive both its feelings and values by becoming a votary of prosperity. The University of Delhi would lay the foundation of a Developed India by 2047.



## Pratham Sewak’s 8th Year of Completion

The successful completion of the eighth year of the Pratham Sewak of the CGS Parivar, Prof Sunil K Choudhary was celebrated with great pomp and show at the Centre. The Fellows and Scholars associated with the Centre presented a flower pot to the Pratham Sewak and prayed for his unwavering commitment towards fulfilling the objectives of the CGS Parivar. It was during this interaction that Prof Sunil K Choudhary shared his glorious eight years at the Centre by highlighting key achievements and accomplishments along with changes and challenges associated with this long journey.



## Visit by the Argentina Delegation

CGS warmly welcomed the Argentina delegation on 25th July 2023 at the centre and felicitated the team with souvenirs. The delegation had eminent academicians, administrators and professionals from universities based in Santa Fe, Argentina. A thought-provoking and serious interaction was held between the fellows and the delegation for future academic engagements. The delegation congratulated the Centre and the Director for their extensive contribution to the field of social science research.



## Director's Visit to CCS University Meerut, Uttar Pradesh

Prof Sunil K Choudhary paid an academic visit to deliver a lecture on Babu Jagjivan Ram at Choudhary Charan Singh University, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh.



His word of wisdom made the students enthusiastic to unlearn Babu Jagjivan Ram's philosophy of freedom and justice. Speaking on the occasion, Prof Sunil K Choudhary highlighted the changing electoral market in 21st century by arguing that the New India is wit-

nessing new alignments, new alliances and new alternatives. Characterizing voters in three different categories as Customers, Consumers and Clients, Prof Sunil K Choudhary found the voters as real game changes in contemporary market polity of New India.

The CGS researchers and fellows always aspire to gain more knowledge from the learnings of our renowned academicians converging the traits of both a teacher and an administrator.

## Centre's New Initiatives

Adhering to the principles of governance and transparency in administration, the Centre got its second audit done by the University of Delhi in July 2023.

A five-member audit team of the University interacted with the fellows, faculty and admin staff of the Centre and appreciated the organized and planned working in terms of accounting, accountability and accessibility which are considered to be the cardinal principles of good governance.



The Centre also worked towards paper setting boards for the undergraduate courses at University of Delhi, viz., Cyber Sphere and Security: Global Concern and Political Leadership and Communication.

This was the second occasion when the Centre held the Board Meeting which was attended by faculty all across the University Colleges.