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Here's what has happened in the last month and what's to come!

Welcome to the 4th Issue of Our Newsletter!

We are thrilled to present the latest edition of the GCS DR Newsletter, packed with exciting updates, insightful research, and a glimpse of what's to come as we continue to expand our global network of thought leaders and researchers.

Last month, we celebrated a major milestone with our Inaugural Welcome Conference, which brought together distinguished members of our Research Advisory Council (RAC) and international partners. This landmark event set the stage for the exciting work ahead at GCS DR. A full conference report can be found on page 2, where we highlight the key takeaways, guest insights, and the collaborative spirit that is propelling the Center forward.

Our next big event is already on the horizon! We are pleased to announce that the upcoming

GCS DR conference will take place on 29th November 2024. The theme and speakers are sure to inspire, and we can't wait to welcome you to this next chapter of global dialogue and research. Keep an eye out for more details as we approach the date!

In our continued commitment to advancing social scientific research, we are delighted to share that we have published the latest issue of the Global Journal of Social Scientific Research. This journal serves as a key platform for global thought leadership in the social sciences, and we invite all our readers to explore the cutting-edge research featured in this volume.

We are proud to announce the release of a significant Research Study: "A Cross-Disciplinary Analysis of Artificial Intelligence in Education, Law, Environment, Society, and History from a Global Perspective."

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LETTER FROM EDITOR



Dear Readers,

Welcome to the November issue of *The Dynamics*! This month's edition is packed with updates and milestones that reflect the Global Center for Social Dynamic Research's commitment to fostering knowledge, promoting cultural heritage, and addressing critical challenges of our communities considering all the domains from Social Sciences to Scientific Researches.

In this issue, you will read the stories of resilience, transformation, and collaboration. From insights gained at recent gatherings of thought leaders at the Welcome Conference held on 19th October 2024, to features that highlight the ways communities are adapting and thriving, we hope this edition brings inspiration and a sense of connection. Together, we're part of a journey that bridges knowledge, culture, and social progress, illuminating new paths forward.

Through the journey of socio-economic transition, we are not only the preservers of our heritage and values but also contributes to local economies, providing a powerful example of resilience and adaptation to the Communities.

We are excited to announce our upcoming conference on mental health in contemporary societies, scheduled this Month. This event will convene experts in mental health and public policy to address the growing mental health needs within today's fast-evolving social landscape. We look forward to sharing insights that will inform actionable strategies to support mental well-being on a global scale.

This month's stories remind us of the powerful connections between knowledge, culture, and community—and the incredible impact we can achieve together. I hope it will inspire you as much as they have inspired us.

Thank you for being a valued reader and for engaging in this shared vision of positive change. Here's to a season filled with reflection, growth, and gratitude.

Warm regards,

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REPORT ON THE INAUGURAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE GLOBAL CENTER
FOR SOCIAL DYNAMIC RESEARCH (GCSDR) HELD ON 19TH OCTOBER 2024



On 19th October 2024, the Global Center for Social Dynamic Research (GCSDR) proudly hosted its First International Welcome Conference, marking an important moment in the Center's journey towards becoming a leading force in global social research. The conference was a vibrant gathering of distinguished members from the Research Advisory CoMMITTEE (RAC) of GCSDR, who came together to share their insights, discuss the Center's initiatives, and express their excitement about being part of this transformative initiative.

The event began with a warm welcome address from Dr. Neelam C. Dey, Executive Director and Director of Research at GCSDR. Dr. Dey introduced the core mission of the Center, highlighting its commitment towards societies. Her address set the stage for what was to be a day of meaningful discussions and forward-thinking ideas. She also extended her heartfelt appreciation to all attendees, underscoring the importance of their expertise and vision in shaping the future of GCSDR.

Following Dr. Dey's opening remarks, Mr. Abhishek Carls, the Director, Legal Affairs at GCSDR, took the floor to introduce the distinguished RAC members through a dynamic Power Point Presentation. Each slide offered a window into the remarkable backgrounds of these eminent personalities, showcasing their individual expertise and the collective strength they bring to the Center's mission. The presentation highlighted their diverse areas of focus, from social dynamics to policy research, and underscored the immense value of their involvement in guiding GCSDR's strategic direction.

With the introductions complete, the RAC members shared their insights on upcoming research initiatives at GCSDR. The discussions focused on a wide range of topics, including social equity, sustainable development, global policy frameworks, and community resilience.

The RAC members expressed their enthusiasm about joining the Center, sharing a collective belief in its potential to influence real, positive change through collaborative research and innovative solutions. Their contributions further reinforced the growing international reputation of GCSDR as a hub for impactful social research.

Adding to the global flavor of the conference, the event also featured participation from international members joining virtually from the United States and Philippines. Their presence not only emphasized the global scope of GCSDR's work but also enriched the conversation with perspectives from different regions of the world. The exchange of ideas across borders is central to GCSDR's mission of addressing social dynamics on a global scale.

As the conference drew to a close, Mr. Samir C. Minz, Director of Policy and Operations at GCSDR, extended his gratitude to all attendees. In his vote of thanks, Mr. Minz acknowledged the invaluable contributions of the RAC members, the international participants, and all those who made the conference a resounding success. He emphasized that the conference was not only a celebration of the Center's growing international network but also a call to action for the collective efforts that would drive GCSDR's future research initiatives forward.

The First International Welcome Conference of GCSDR was an inspiring and productive event that set a strong foundation for the Center's future endeavors. By bringing together a diverse group of experts, thinkers, and global leaders, the conference demonstrated the power of collaboration and the shared commitment to advancing social research that can make a meaningful impact in addressing the world's most pressing social challenges. The energy and enthusiasm displayed by all participants signal a bright future ahead for the Global Center for Social Dynamic Research.






I see humans but no humanity

GLOBAL E-JOURNAL OF SOCIAL SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

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A close-up photograph of a person wearing a bright yellow shirt, focused on writing in a notebook. Their right hand holds a black pen, and their left hand rests on the open pages of the notebook. The background is softly blurred, showing more of the person's torso and the texture of the notebook paper.

We are excited to announce the official launch of our highly anticipated multidisciplinary e-journal, Global Journal of Social Scientific Research (GJSSR), marking a significant milestone in the evolution of the GCSDR. This inaugural volume, Vol. 1(1), is now live, and it reflects our commitment to advancing interdisciplinary research across the social sciences with a global perspective.

A New Platform for Global Dialogue

The launch of GJSSR represents a bold step toward fostering collaboration, innovation, and knowledge exchange across the diverse fields of social science research. With a multidisciplinary focus, the journal serves as a platform to address complex, interconnected global challenges that require diverse insights—from sociology to political science, psychology to economics, and anthropology to public health.


The journal is designed to be an inclusive space where scholars, policymakers, and practitioners can engage in meaningful dialogue, share research findings, and propose solutions that transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries. As an open-access e-journal, GJSSR ensures that this valuable research is freely available to a wide audience, contributing to the democratization of knowledge.

As a Rich Tapestry of Research first issue of GJSR features a diverse array of papers that explore a wide range of themes, from social justice and equity to global health, climate change, and technological transformation. This inaugural volume highlights the interconnectedness of social systems and underscores the need for collaborative, cross-disciplinary approaches to solving the world's most pressing challenges.

Each paper was carefully selected through a rigorous peer-review process, ensuring that the journal upholds the highest standards of academic excellence.

A Collaborative Effort

Success of GJSSR is the result of the collective efforts of researchers, editors, and advisors who contributed their expertise and passion to this ambitious project. The Editorial Board, comprising internationally recognized experts in the field of social science, provided invaluable guidance, ensuring that the journal serves as a high-quality resource for scholars and practitioners alike.

A white ceramic mug filled with a brown liquid, likely tea, sits on a light-colored wooden tray. The tray also holds a dark green book with the word 'globe' written in orange script on its cover, and a silver pen. The background is a soft-focus, warm-toned setting, possibly a table with a white cloth and a wicker basket.

The contributions from global authors reflect the journal's commitment to diversity and inclusion, bringing a variety of cultural and regional perspectives to the forefront. This diversity of thought enriches the research published and enhances the journal's ability to tackle global challenges in meaningful ways.

Looking Ahead: Expanding Horizons

As we celebrate the successful launch of Global E- Journal of Social Scientific Research, we are already looking ahead to future issues that will continue to expand our understanding of social dynamics and contribute to a more informed, just, and sustainable world. Our goal is to position GJSSR as a leading E- journal in the social sciences, drawing attention to critical issues that demand interdisciplinary collaboration and actionable solutions.

We invite all researchers, academics, and thought leaders to contribute to upcoming editions of the journal. Whether you are addressing social inequalities, technological disruptions, or environmental challenges, GJSSR provides a unique platform to share your work and make a global impact.

A Vision for the Future

The launch of GJSSR marks a key moment in the journey of GCSDR, but it is just the beginning. As we move forward, we remain committed to creating spaces for meaningful research, fostering collaboration, and influencing policy through the dissemination of knowledge. Through initiatives like the Global Journal of Social Scientific Research, GCSDR aims to bridge the gaps between theory and practice, academia and policy, and research and real-world change.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved in this exciting venture and look forward to the continued success of GJSSR in shaping the future of social scientific research.



Community News

MENTAL HEALTH OF ADOLESCENTS AND YOUTH

Mental health challenges among adolescents and youth are on the rise, with anxiety, depression, and stress becoming more prevalent. The impact of social media, academic pressure, and the lasting effects of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to affect their well-being. Suicide remains the second leading cause of death for young people, underscoring the urgency of intervention.

Schools are increasingly integrating mental health programs to provide support, while digital platforms offer accessible resources like online counseling. However, stigma and a lack of access to care remain significant barriers. Initiatives focusing on prevention, youth-led advocacy, and community-based support are crucial in addressing these challenges. We must continue to invest in mental health services and prioritize early intervention. Together, we can help create an environment where youth feel safe to seek help and thrive.



Volunteer Spotlight

 **Join Us as a Volunteer**
at
**GLOBAL CENTER FOR
SOCIAL DYNAMIC
RESEARCH !**
 **RECEIVE A
CERTIFICATE FOR YOUR
VALUABLE
CONTRIBUTION**

Upcoming Conference



Join us for our upcoming Online Conference on Combating Mental Health Challenges of Indian Adolescents and Youth in The Era of AI

- **Location: Zoom**
- **All are welcome to participate**
- **Let's make a positive impact in our community and help those who are in need.**

THE RAJPUT-BHATI COMMUNITY'S LEGACY OF RAVANA EFFIGIES IN METROPOLITAN DUSSEHRA CELEBRATIONS -A JOURNEY OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC TRANSITION



In the heart of India's vibrant metropolitan cities, as the festival of Dussehra approaches, a unique and deeply rooted tradition unfolds — the creation and sale of Ravana effigies, a craft passed down through generations of the Rajput-Bhati community. Known for their warrior heritage and intricate craftsmanship, this community has long been synonymous with the creation of grand, towering effigies of the demon king Ravana, a central figure in the Dussehra celebrations. As millions of people across the country gather to witness the burning of Ravana's effigy, few realize the intricate stories behind these massive statues and the community that keeps this tradition alive, even in the rapidly modernizing urban landscapes.

A Tradition of Craftsmanship and Legacy

The Rajput-Bhati community, traditionally from the Rajasthan region, has long been celebrated for its warrior heritage and skilled craftsmanship. The BhatIs, who belong to a distinguished Rajput sub-clan, have a history steeped in both valor and artistry. While many of them are known for their roles as soldiers, rulers, and landowners, a significant number of Bhati families have also embraced the arts, especially the crafting of effigies for the grand Dussehra celebrations. This tradition dates back centuries and has become an integral part of their cultural identity.

For these artisans, making Ravana effigies is more than a business. It is a celebration of culture, history, and heritage. In cities of North India, where the festival of Dussehra is celebrated with grand processions and rituals, the Rajput-Bhati community has carved out a niche for themselves, creating towering, intricately designed Ravana effigies that stand as symbols of both artistic expression and cultural continuity.



From Rajasthan to the Metropolis, for many Rajput-Bhati families, the craft of creating Ravana effigies began in their native villages, where the tradition was passed down through generations. However, as urbanization accelerated in the second half of the 20th century, many of these families migrated to India's metropolitan cities in search of better opportunities.

In cities like Delhi, Mumbai, and Kolkata, the demand for large, handcrafted Ravana effigies grew as the scale of Dussehra celebrations became more elaborate. The Rajput-Bhati artisans brought with them not only their skills but a deep cultural attachment to the tradition of crafting these effigies. In the crowded markets of these cities, they set up makeshift workshops where they continue to make giant effigies, meticulously painting them, weaving them together with bamboo, and adorning them with vibrant fabrics and ornamental touches.

These artisans are now integral to the urban Dussehra celebrations, contributing to the visual splendor and symbolic power of the festival. As the festival of Dussehra has become a focal point of celebration in cities across India, the Rajput-Bhati community's contribution goes beyond commerce; it is a living, breathing link to India's rich cultural past.

The Craft of Creation: More Than a Business

Creating a Ravana effigy is an art form that requires precision, patience, and immense skill. Bamboo, papier-mâché, cloth, and paint are the primary materials, but it is the craftsmanship that elevates these creations into something extraordinary. Each effigy is crafted with intricate details, from the ten heads of Ravana to the vibrant clothing and jewelry that adorns the figure. Many of these effigies are several stories high, towering over the crowds in the Dussehra processions, making them both a spectacle and a statement.

The community takes great pride in their work. Each effigy is a work of art, with hand-painted faces, elaborate ornaments, and an expression that evokes the malevolence of Ravana. It is an emotional and cultural endeavor, one that requires immense teamwork, dedication, and a deep understanding of the festival's significance. The craftsmen spend weeks, sometimes months, preparing for the event — often working long hours in the lead-up to Dussehra.

For the Rajput-Bhati community, selling these effigies is not just about the economic gain; it is about maintaining their connection to a tradition that has stood the test of time. The effigies are sold at a variety of price points depending on their size, quality, and intricacy, and each piece carries the pride of generations past. Some families have seen their Ravana effigies displayed in major cities, while others continue to serve local communities with smaller creations for village festivals.

Cultural Impact: Preserving Identity in a Modern World

In the fast-paced, globalized world of today's metropolitan cities, the Rajput-Bhati artisans' continued dedication to their craft is a testament to the community's resilience and commitment to cultural preservation. Despite facing challenges from mass-produced effigies, these artisans have managed to maintain their status as the premier creators of authentic, handcrafted Ravana effigies. Their work is not only a source of income, but also a way to preserve their ancestral traditions, which might otherwise be lost in the tide of modernity.

Their impact extends beyond the crafting and selling of effigies. By participating in the Dussehra celebrations, the Rajput-Bhati community remains visible and active in the urban cultural landscape, fostering awareness and appreciation of their heritage. For the younger generation of Rajput-Bhati families, this work is both a means of livelihood and an avenue to connect with their roots. Many young people in the community learn the craft from their elders, ensuring that the tradition of Ravana effigy-making is passed down to the next generation.

Their participation in Dussehra celebrations allows them to engage with the larger cultural fabric of the city, contributing to a sense of unity among the diverse communities that come together during the festival. The spectacle of a giant Ravana effigy, crafted by a family of Rajput-Bhati artisans, serves as a powerful symbol of cultural integration and pride.

A Symbol of Cultural Pride

As the flames of Ravana rise into the night sky each Dussehra, so too does the spirit of the Rajput-Bhati community. The burning of Ravana signifies not only the triumph of good over evil but also the resilience of tradition in the face of modern challenges. The Rajput-Bhati community's commitment to crafting and selling Ravana effigies in metropolitan cities is a powerful reminder of the deep cultural roots that continue to shape India's festivals, even in the most cosmopolitan of environments.

Through their work, the Rajput-Bhati artisans are not merely selling an object — they are selling a story, a heritage, and a legacy. And as the fireworks explode and the effigies burn, they stand as a proud testament to a community's ability to adapt, thrive, and keep its traditions alive in the heart of India's bustling cities.

The Economic and Social Impact

The economic impact of this tradition is also significant. The sale of Ravana effigies has provided a steady source of income for many Rajput-Bhati families, some of whom have built thriving small businesses centered around Dussehra. These businesses employ local artisans, laborers, and craftspeople, creating a ripple effect that supports the local economy in cities where these families work.

At the same time, these artisans' work plays a role in the larger narrative of socioeconomic mobility within the Rajput-Bhati community. What began as a rural craft has become a successful urban business, providing economic stability and a means of social recognition in the metropolitan context. The Rajput-Bhati artisans have managed to adapt to changing times without compromising on their identity or values, showcasing the community's strength and cultural perseverance.



INNOVATIVE DIGITAL TEACHING AND LEARNING PRACTICES IN SOCIETY IN VIEW OF NURSING EDUCATION/ PROFESSION IN INDIA : A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW



The paradigm shift driven by digital technology has catalyzed innovative transformations in the field of Nursing Education. This paper presents a comprehensive review of pioneering digital teaching and learning practices within the realm of nursing through technological Advancements in which Robotics has a special place to mention. By meticulously examining diverse digital tools, platforms, and pedagogical approaches, this research delves into the ways in which these innovations not only enhance the quality of nursing education but also foster critical thinking and adeptness among nursing students, positioning them to navigate the evolving healthcare landscape. In the context of this exploration, potential challenges associated with the seamless integration of digital technologies into nursing education are also being addressed.

The integration of robotics in nursing marks a paragon in healthcare, offering unprecedented opportunities to revolutionize patient care and clinical operations. This paper explores the evolving landscape of robotics in nursing, presenting a comprehensive analysis of its applications, benefits, challenges, and implications. By examining the role of robotics in tasks ranging from patient assistance to surgical interventions, the research elucidates how robotics enhances efficiency, precision, and patient outcomes. Ethical considerations and the impact on the nursing profession are also explored, shedding light on the complex interplay between technological advancement and human-centered care. As robotics continues to reshape healthcare delivery, this study contributes to a nuanced understanding of its potential to transform nursing practices and shape the future of patient-centered care. By exploring the synergistic relationship between cutting-edge /innovative digital methodologies and nursing education, this paper contributes to a holistic understanding of how technology can revolutionize the education and training of future of the nursing professionals.

Future Newsletter Highlights

****1. Global Social Impact: A Month of Action and Awareness**

- November marks a pivotal moment in our efforts to drive global social change. This month, we're spotlighting the initiatives making a lasting impact in communities worldwide. From climate justice to human rights advocacy, discover how GCSDR's partners are leading the charge for positive transformation.

****2. Social Justice in Action: Key Initiatives and Collaborations**

- GCSDR continues to collaborate with grassroots organizations to address urgent social issues. Learn about new partnerships and joint ventures aimed at combating inequality, promoting inclusive education, and fostering economic empowerment in underserved regions.

****3. Highlighting Youth Leadership: Empowering the Next Generation**

- The future of social change is in the hands of young leaders. In this edition, we celebrate the remarkable achievements of youth activists who are making waves across the globe. Read inspiring stories from our Youth Leadership Program and how they are paving the way for sustainable social justice.

****4. Exclusive Report: The State of Global Inequality in 2024**

- Our in-depth analysis on global inequality provides a sobering look at the current state of economic and social disparities. We discuss the most pressing issues and outline actionable steps that can be taken by governments, organizations, and individuals to address the root causes of inequality.

****5. GCSDR's New Campaign: #VoicesForChange**

- This month, we're launching our new advocacy campaign, #VoicesForChange, amplifying the voices of marginalized communities. Join us in raising awareness and advocating for policies that support equity, justice, and human dignity across all borders.

****6. Partnerships for Progress: Corporate Social Responsibility in Action**

- Learn how GCSD is partnering with corporations to foster meaningful corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives. These collaborations are designed to leverage business resources to support social enterprises, education, healthcare, and environmental sustainability.

****7. Upcoming Event: Global Summit on Social Dynamics**

- Mark your calendars! Our Global Summit on Social Dynamics is just around the corner. This high-profile event will bring together thought leaders, policymakers, and social innovators from around the world to discuss cutting-edge solutions to global social challenges. Early registrations will be open soon.



We hope you enjoy this issue and that it sparks new ideas and collaborations. As always, thank you for your ongoing support and engagement with GCSDR. We look forward to seeing you at our December conference and continuing our journey of shared knowledge and discovery. Stay inspired, stay informed, and keep advancing the conversation on social dynamics with us!

Warm regards,

The GCSDR Team

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