





# CENTRE FOR INDEPENDENCE AND PARTITION STUDIES UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

in collaboration with

## KAMALA NEHRU COLLEGE UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

presents

#### ONE DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR

on

# Partition of India: The Socio-Economic Impact

24th September, 2025 10:30 am onwards

Venue: Auditorium

# **CONCEPT NOTE**

This seminar aims to explore the socio-economic impact of the Partition of India in 1947, examining how the division of the subcontinent affected the economy and society of the country. The socio-economic impact of the Partition was profound, creating long-lasting economic instability and social trauma. Both nations faced shortages in resources. The displacement disrupted agriculture, trade, and industry, while the social scars persisted for generations. The imprint of the same continue to influence the regional ties in the subcontinent.

Understanding the socio-economic impact of the Partition is essential as it helps explain the varying ongoing challenges like communal tensions, economic inequality, and regional disparities. It also offers lessons for conflict resolution and economic reconciliation, not only within South Asia but globally. Discussing these issues is crucial for fostering peace, social cohesion, and inclusive development in the present and future.

## **INAUGURAL SESSION**

10:30 am- 12:10 pm

### **WELCOME ADDRESS**



#### Prof. Pavitra Bhardwaj

Principal, KNC University of Delhi

(10:30 - 10:40 am)

### INTRODUCTORY NOTE



#### **Prof. Ravinder Kumar**

Director, CIPS University of Delhi

(10:40 - 10:50 am)

### PRESIDING CHAIR



#### Sh. Anoop Lather

Chairperson, Culture Council University of Delhi

(10:50 - 11:10 am)

### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**



#### Sh. Bharat Bhushan Arora

Managing Director, Bharat Prakashan & Director, Udhmodya Foundation, DU

(11:50-12:10 am)

### **CHIEF GUEST**



#### Sh. Gopal Sharma

Eminent journalist and Member, Rajasthan Legislative Assembly

(11:10-11:30 am)

### **GUEST OF HONOUR**



#### Prof. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani

Chairperson, CIPS University of Delhi

(11:30-11:50 am)

### **TEA BREAK**

(12:10-12:30)

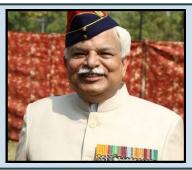
## PLENARY SESSION

12:30 - 2pm

### **CHAIRPERSON**

**General VK Chaturvedi** 

RTD, LT. GEN INDIAN ARMY



12.30- 1:00 pm

### **SPEAKERS**

#### Dr. Varun Gulati

Associate Professor, Department of English



1.00-1:20 pm

#### Prof. Amrit Kaur Basra

Professor, Department of History, DCAC



1.20-1:40 pm

### Discussion & Q/A

1.40 - 1.50 pm

# **VOTE OF THANKS**

1.50 - 2.00 pm

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Prof. Jyoti Trehan Sharma
Joint Director, CIPS
(Co - Convenor)



Ms. Yashika Sethi
Department of Philosophy
(Coordinator)



Dr. Neena Bansal
Department of Politicial Science
(Co-Coordinator)



# CENTRE FOR INDEPENDENCE AND PARTITION STUDIES



The Centre for Independence and Partition Studies (CIPS) was set up in the year 2023 under Ordinance XX of the University Rules. It is perceived to be a distinguished institution dedicated to the comprehensive exploration of the multifaceted narratives surrounding the Partition and Independence of the Indian subcontinent. Situated within the historic environs of the century-old University of Delhi, the CIPS stands as a beacon of academic excellence, committed to unravel the veiled stories, narratives and untold experiences of pain, struggles and even eventual success of one of the most significant epochs in modern history that led to the creation of the biggest democracy in the world.

The Centre is driven by a profound commitment to scholarly inquiry and empirical research, with specific focus on the events, exigencies and the imperial project that led to the Partition and Independence of our country. Our mission is to delve into the intricate complexities of this pivotal period, shedding light on the diverse perspectives, voices, experiences and anecdotes that have shaped the collective consciousness of our nation post 1947.

### KAMALA NEHRU COLLEGE



Kamala Nehru College was established on 20th July, 1964. Back then , it was known as 'Government College for Women' and was located in Defence Colony. The College initially offered courses only in humanities but later the commerce stream was added. The college began the early years of its journey under the guidance of the founder Principal Dr. K. K. Gorowara. When the college was started, it only had sixsteen staff members and 209 students passed out in the first batch in 1968.

The College Magazine 'Swati' was launched in the academic year 1965–66. In 1966–67, the College was renamed as 'Modern College for Women' and in 1967–68 the College Magazine acquired a new name 'Apoorva'. On 21st November 1972, the foundation stone for a new building was laid at Hauz Khas (at present August Kranti Marg) by then President Shri V.V.Giri. The college was given a new name and it became Kamala Nehru College. In 1974, on the occasion of Founder's Day, Mrs. Indira Gandhi visited the new building, unveiled the plaque and planted saplings.