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Indian Muslims for Progress and Reforms

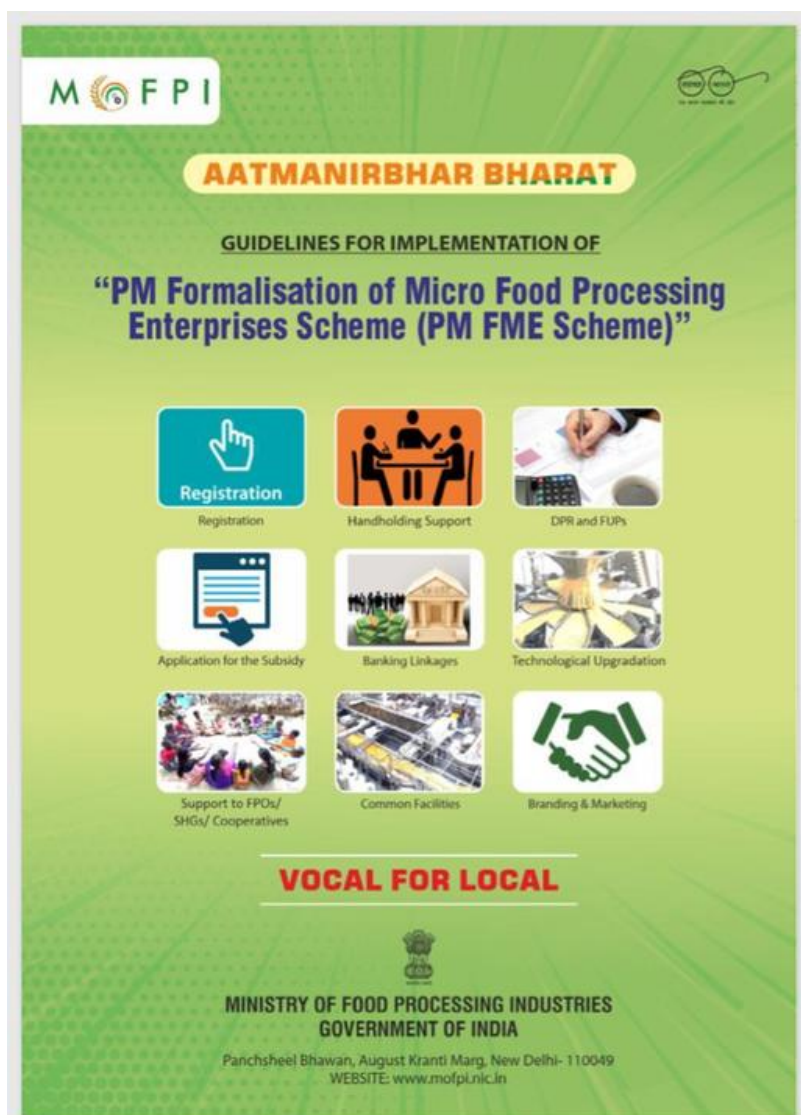
Monthly Report

FROM JULY 10 TO AUGUST 10, 2020



IMPAR issued Eid-ul-Azha Guidelines as to how to celebrate given the Covid-19 situation. The guidelines were issued after discussions with the members of IMPAR and views expressed by ulemas were also taken in account. The latest orders of the State Governments of UP, Karnataka and others states were given primacy with regard to the Guidelines. The guidelines were issued in English, Hindi, Urdu and Malayalam.

Guidelines were also issued on ANB (Aatm Nirbhar Bharat) schemes under which massive scale governmental funding has been announced to encourage startups and MSME (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise) units. The scheme aims to enhance the competitiveness of existing individual micro-enterprises in the unorganized segment of the food processing industry and promote formalization of the sector; and support Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), Self Help Groups (SHGs) and Producers Cooperatives along their entire value chain.



State of U.P. was asked by Hon'ble Bench to submit their Action Taken Report on Dr Arti Lalchandani for her unconstitutional conduct as a senior govt. medical professional against a particular religious group. High Court suffered complete closure from 14.7.2020 till 21.7.2020 due to sudden spike in Covid19 cases. Additional Advocate General for State of U.P. appeared and sought only a day's time to furnish Action Taken Report. Accordingly, the matter was fixed for 30.7.2020. The matter was listed before another coordinate Bench and could not be taken up. Matter could not be taken up due to No Sitting of court after lunch on 06.08.2020. 13.8.2020 was the 'next date scheduled' for hearing. However, by the sudden Notice dated 09.8.2020, High Court suffered yet another closure till 16.8.2020 due to spike in Covid19 cases. The Next Date Fixed in the instant matter as of now is 18.08.2020.

After the successful outcome of PIL No.682 of 2020, *another PIL* *for challenging the Constitutional Validity of the Centre's UAPA amendment* was intended before Allahabad High Court. Two PILs are already pending therefore it would be a futile effort to approach Allahabad High Court for the same purpose. There is a probability that the High Court might refuse to intervene as these are Central Acts_ particularly when the subject of challenge was a Centre's legislation. So, the intended idea was dropped.

Allotted task for preparing a *Comprehensive Report-cum-PIL for seeking uniformity in payment of compensation to communal riot victims* is underway and preliminary research is being conducted..

COMMUNICATION WITH THE CONCERNED AUTHORITIES

IMPAR sent a letter to Shri Arvind Kejriwal on the subject of North-East Delhi Riots in regard to setting the Compensation Amount. IMPAR sought his kind intervention to expedite the exercise of compensation accessibility to the victim. It was demanded that the amount of compensation should be increased as the current amount is very less in comparison to the losses bore by the riot victims. It was also demanded that due to lockdown and rainy season, people have been unable to complete the process, so the last date should also be extended for 15 days.

IMPAR also wrote letters concerning an incident of cow vigilante violence in India that happened on the occasion of this Eid-ul-Azha in Gurgaon. The letters had been sent to the Chief Minister and Deputy Commissioner of Haryana and National Commission of Minorities pertaining to the Gurgaon Lynching Case.

IMPAR contributed to the subject of TJ foreign nationals by sending letters to the authorities. Consequently, the Govt of TN released the TJ foreign nationals from detention centres.

A Delegation of IMPAR Steering Committee called upon Shri Suresh Prabhu, MP and PM's Sherpa for G-7 and G-20 countries at his office, Ministry of External Affairs to discuss the major concerns of the community. Mr. Prabhu committed full support to the community.



Five member IMPAR delegation met Mr. Raghu K Raju, MP and Chairman, Parliamentary Subcommittee on Legislative Rules at his residence to apprise him on the concerns of the Muslim community about the CAA/NRC. The delegation urged Mr. Raju to take up its concerns with MHA to make rules simple and flexible so that all genuine citizens are able to obtain citizenship without difficulties. Mr. Raju sounded very sympathetic and supportive and promised best possible cooperation.



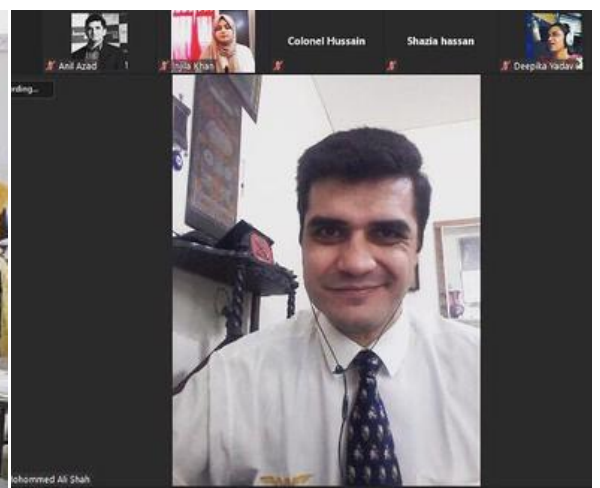
COMMUNITY WORK

IMPAR's team of experts conducted an awareness campaign about following Eid ul Azha guidelines issued by IMPAR. The campaign was held in Kirari, Sultanpur Mazra and Mangolpuri Constituency. Campaigns were also done in Bakra Mandi Sutanpuri and door to door information was also shared.



IMPAR encouraged its members to place Eid-Ul-Azha posters in Eidgah and Mosques for awareness and information purpose. 100 posters were pasted in every mosque in Kanpur. IMPAR also conducted a plantation drive in the Kirari and Sultanpuri areas.

IMPAR began a series of webinars under the Jobs Readiness Program. A zoom webinar on bio-data, covering letter and thanks letter writing was conducted on 13th July followed by the release of its report. IMPAR conducted a session of Jobs Readiness Program on personality development on July 15th and conducted another session of Jobs Readiness Program on communication skills the same day. Another session was held with Mohd Haseeb on interview and leadership skills followed by another webinar on interview techniques, FAQs, mock interviews. IMPAR organized another session of the program on guidance on internships. The last webinar was related to a special session of media and tourism. Some sessions went live also.



IMPAR organized an interactive session with Dr. John Dayal, former President of All India Catholic Union, Member of National Integration Council and Secretary General, All India Christian Council on June 22nd, 2020 at 5 PM. The webinar's theme was Socio-Political Challenges, Interfaith Dialogue and Coordination.



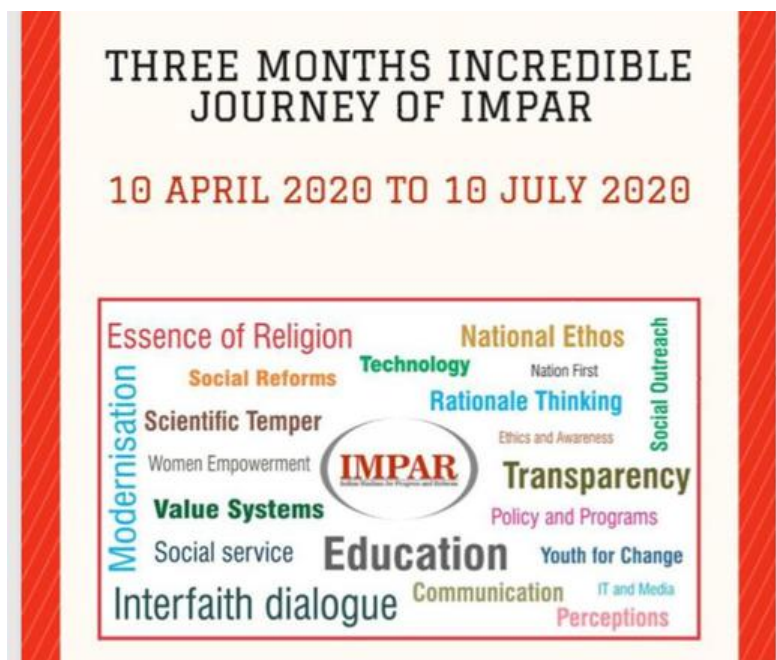
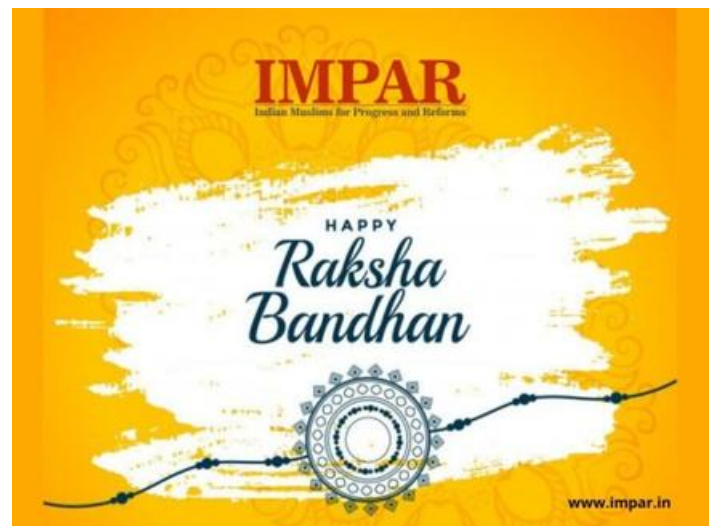
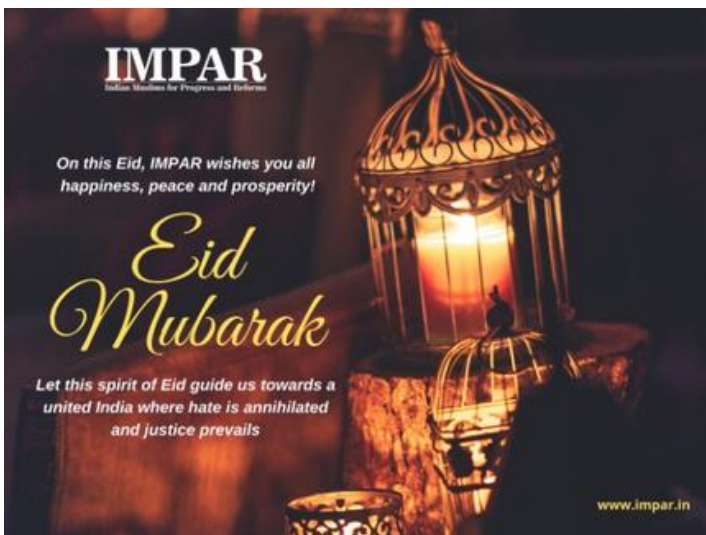
IMPAR organized a webinar with Dilip Pandey on the New Normal and our Youth and its report was shared thereafter. Mr Dilip Pandey extensively spoke about the need to engage politically and emphasised that the moving age behind the politics should be education and healthcare. Another issue he raised was the need to separate religion and education. He spoke how the curriculum glosses over major errors, consciously and unconsciously hence leading to a defective conditioning on gender, on politics and on the idea of the nation. He blamed the valueless education system for normalising and communalising difference. The speaker also brought in how the struggle and the resilience for the right causes is paramount for saving the society and the other areas that need to be fixed are education and healthcare. Responding to the questions if new normal should be accepted, he strongly refuted that no definition should be accepted without proper thought, and hence new normal cannot be accepted.



IMPAR condemned Dr. Zakir Naik unsavoury statement about heaven bound people. Its circulation on social media has called for a fitting response to clarify the stand of the community in this subject. Hence, IMPAR issued a press release on the same in different dialects and emphasized on reading Quran and Hadith and not spread hate.

SOCIAL AND DIGITAL MEDIA ACTIVITIES

IMPAR conducted Eid awareness program about following the issued Eid guidelines by IMPAR. Poster for Eid awareness was also shared. IMPAR shared Eid and Raksha Bandhan greetings.



A list of new members of the Executive Committee was introduced. The names have been short listed based on multiple criteria, mainly their experiences and commitment and also professional excellence and regional diversity.

1. Mr. Syed Amjad Ali, President, Lintas, New Delhi
2. Ms. Farida Thakur, (Rotarian) Director, SpellQuest P. Ltd, Mumbai
3. Ms. Khairul Nisha, ED, World Trade Centre, Noida
4. Mr. Aftab Ahmed, ex IG, CRPF, Lucknow
5. Mr. Iftkhar Ali, CEO, ALIQAN Technologies
6. Ms. Shazia Baig, Principal Partner at TerraNova Advisors
7. Mr. Tauseef Ahmed, CEO, Ineris Solutions P. Ltd., Bangalore
8. Waris Khan, Director, Mark Constructions, Hyderabad
9. Capt. Asraf Ali Shaikh, MD, Five Star Shipping, Kolkata
10. Mr. Zafar Iqbal, Director, Naaz Exports P. Ltd. Kanpur
11. Mr. Neyaz Abbas, Vice President, MRT Info Technologies P. Ltd. Noida

While welcoming all the new members IMPAR looks forward to their active participation and support to further the cause of IMPAR. Now the EC is complete with 20 members. Two SC members, Mr. Saeed Shervani and Ms Sheeba Aslam are the special invitees.

