

## Important Message for Workshop Applicants

Dear Applicants,

If you have registered on or before 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020 for the 1<sup>st</sup> International Workshop on **Research Methods and Approaches to Migration and Diaspora Studies (online)** being organized by the Centre for Diaspora Studies (CDS), Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar, India in collaboration with Centre for Migration, Refugees and Belonging (CMRB), the University of East London, the U.K. from **30 June 2020 – 2 July 2020**.

Please check your email, you might have received the ***“letter of selection” or “Confirmation and Acceptance”*** letter long back. Check your spam folders too. Due to some technical reasons, we’ve received some complaints that some of the applicants did not get any information about the workshop. Yes, we are facing some problems in sending bulk emails, our emails are not able to reach all the participants. If you have received our confirmation mail/s kindly ignore this message. If not, here is good news for you:

We are happy to inform you that this workshop received an overwhelming response. We received more than **2300+** applications from different reputed universities, institutes, and organizations around **70 countries** from Asia, Europe, the Americas, Australia, Africa, Australia, and Canada. Although we have selected a few participants for the MS Team through various tough criteria we are also trying to accommodate more aspirants through the alternate platform. This huge response forced to modify our decision to ensure and facilitate every registered applicants’ participation in this scholarly and unique workshop. To reach maximum learners we have extended workshop to the Facebook Live. Therefore, you are requested to attend all the workshop sessions which are going to be **live streaming** on the **Central University of Gujarat Facebook Page** <https://www.facebook.com/cugadmin>.

As the sessions open for learning and sharing knowledge anyone can watch and listen to the workshop on Facebook. **But the certificate will be issued to only those participants who have registered through the workshop registration link in time and also fulfill the following guidelines strictly:**

- It’s mandatory to attend all the sessions.
- Keep at least 3 screenshots of every session beginning, middle, and end – to produce along with feedback form.
- You may ask questions in the **chatbox/comment box**.
- Keep notes of important points, which will help you to answer some of the questions in the feedback form and filling out a questionnaire after the workshop.
- One-page report of everyday sessions (3 days 3 reports) to produce along with the feedback form.
- Please maintain decorum, maintain silence while the speaker is speaking – better mute your mike and unmute when you are to ask questions.

- Make sure that you have *sufficient Internet Data and adequate device mobile/laptop* to attend all the sessions.
- \* Download the Facebook App in your laptop/mobile phone and **like and Follow Central University of Gujarat Facebook Page** <https://www.facebook.com/cugadmin> to attend all sessions.
- \* Those who do not have a Facebook account, they may create for time-being/ for the purpose of the workshop and close if they want to discontinue.
- \* All sessions timing is according to **IST** - participants from **different time zones** please plan your participation accordingly.
- \* For more updates please follow the Central University of Gujarat website [www.cug.ac.in](http://www.cug.ac.in) and its Facebook page.

We wish you all happy and healthy online learning during the time of the COVID-19 crisis. If you have any comments or suggestions/query feel free to contact me. ( [shujaudeen09@gmail.com](mailto:shujaudeen09@gmail.com) ).

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