

## **National Webinar on History and Anthropology, Stigma: Past and Present in collaboration with the Department of History**

The IQAC in collaboration with the Department of History organised a webinar on *History and Anthropology, Stigma: Past and Present* on June 12, 2020. The Resource Person was Prof. Vinay Kumar Srivastava, Director, Anthropological Survey of India. Prof. Srivastava talked about how stigmatizing occurs in human communities when pandemics strike and a “dishonoured label” is put on people. He also spoke about how such illnesses lead to a change in the dynamics of family relationships and it is important to understand the family first in order to understand the larger community. Prof Srivastava spoke about how empathy and altruism were qualities that were the need of the hour as the world grapples with the pandemic.