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Dear Vice Chancellor/Director,

Greetings from AIU!

Hope you and your family are safe and in Good Health.

We hope that you are liking our **“Meet the Doctor”** Series wherein we are creating opportunities for you to interact with eminent doctors and medical specialists on COVID 19 and its management. I would like to express my gratitude to you for the overwhelming response to the highly Interactive Sessions held in the past. As the Interaction of **Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, Chief Scientist at World Health Organization** with the Vice Chancellors and academicians on **“COVID19 : Global Management”** planned on 29th May, 2021 could not be completed due to some technical glitch, now we are happy to share with you that **Dr. Soumya Swaminathan has kindly agreed for the interaction on Friday, the 11th June, 2021 at 2.30 PM through virtual mode.**

Dr Soumya Swaminathan was appointed **WHO’s first Chief Scientist** in March 2019. A paediatrician from India and a **globally recognized researcher on tuberculosis and HIV**, she carries with her **30 years of experience in clinical care and research** and has worked throughout her career to translate research into impactful programmes. Dr Swaminathan was **Secretary to the Government of India for Health Research and Director General of the Indian Council of Medical Research from 2015 to 2017**. In that position, she focused on bringing science and evidence into health policy making, building research capacity in Indian medical schools and forging south-south partnerships in health sciences. From 2009 to 2011, she also served as **Coordinator of the UNICEF/UNDP/World Bank/WHO Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases in Geneva**. She received her academic training in India, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America, and has **published more than 350 peer-reviewed publications** and book chapters. She is an **elected Foreign Fellow of the US National Academy of Medicine and a Fellow of all three science academies in India.**

A Flyer of the event is attached. The **joining link** for the session is given below:

<https://zoom.us/j/97579581276>

You are requested to join the Interactive Session on **11th June, 2021 at 2.30 PM** through Zoom Link given above and encourage your faculty, staff and family to watch the session through the YouTube link (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7J1B-le16JMylsQESorxOQ>).

Should you need any help relating to joining, you may contact **Dr. Alok Kumar Mishra, Joint Secretary, AIU** at dr.alokkmishra@gmail.com, Mobile No.9868748575 and **Mr. Kuldeep Dagar, Deputy Secretary, AIU** at kuldeep.inavy@gmail.com, Mobile No. 7011149558.

Looking forward to see you, though virtually.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Pankaj Mittal)

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