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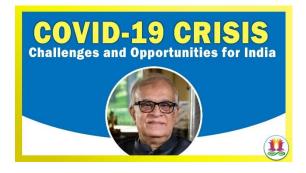
#### Covid-19 and the New Normal

With Covid-19 spreading like wildfire globally, the entire world is witnessing disruptions at an unprecedented scale. Experts including Rajiv Malhotra are of the opinion that the world as we know is changing dramatically and the postcovid world will be quite different from today.

Not only are we seeing a severe economic impact on account of lockdowns and industrial shutdowns, we are also witnessing geopolitical realignments, and large scale shifts in societal structures, cultural norms, approaches to sustainability and perhaps even in terms of how we think. We are heading towards a new normal and we have to be prepared for it. This is therefore a time for self-reflection and course correction.

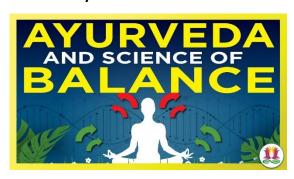
In this quarter, a large number of discussions touch upon various aspects of Covid-19, its impact, and how we can be better equipped to deal with an uncertain yet exciting future.

## **Challenges and Opportunities**



Rajiv Malhotra and Dr Tushar Sharma discuss the challenges and opportunities for India in the context of the Covid-19 crisis.

## Series on Ayurveda



In this one of a kind series, Rajiv Malhotra and Vijaya Viswanathan interview top doctors and Ayurveda specialists in India and abroad to understand in the context of Covid-19, how Ayurveda differs from the western model of medicine and how it can help in tackling the deadly pandemic.

Dr. P Rammanohar explains to Rajiv Malhotra the science behind Ayurveda and how different it is from the western medical system. They talk at length about the difference in understanding of the human body and the science behind creating a balance within the Ayurveda system of medicine. Video



Rajiv Malhotra sits down with Hilary Garivaltis, Executive Director of NAMA; the association that represents the Ayurvedic profession in America. Rajiv emphasizes the importance to





prevent Ayurveda from losing its authenticity digested and becoming into Western medicine. Video.

Dr. Anil Kumar Dixit touches upon important topics like the classification of viruses in Ayurveda, epidemiology, mantra healing, and importance of immunity. Video: 1, 2

Dr. Dayananda R D touches upon important topics like dinacharya, vaccinations, diagnostics, immunity boosting herbs like Ashwagandha etc. in the context of Ayurveda and Covid 19. Video.

Dr. Prasanna Venkatesh T S discusses how ayurveda can help heal the body faster and whether patients should subscribe to longterm Ayurveda therapy whilst they are being treated for COVID-19. Video.

Dr. Ravishankar explains problems in the allopathic system of medicine and how Ayurveda can help fill the gaps. He talks about the integration of molecular biology with the approach and Sidhantas on which Ayurveda is based. Video.

# Series on Jyotisha



In this lively 6 part series, Vijaya Viswanathan and noted astrologer Narasimha Rao discuss various aspects of jyotisha and its relevance. They touch upon issues like whether astrology is merely superstition or has some scientific basis. Narasimha Rao touches upon the role of

karma in one's life. He discusses various topics like palmistry, nadis, shastras and the limits of predictability. In the final episode he presents his predictions for India and the rest of the world. Video: <u>1</u>, <u>2</u>, <u>3</u>, <u>4</u>, <u>5</u>, <u>6</u>

# Discussions with Dr. Subramanian Swamy



In a series of interesting conversations, Rajiv Malhotra and Dr. Subramanian Swamy cover a whole range of issues like the impact of Covid-19 on the Indian economy, remedial measures and potential rescue packages. They discuss the influence of US on India, the upcoming 2020 presidential elections in the US and its implications for the rest of the world. They also have a detailed discussion on Indian education system. Video: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

# Conversation with Ira Trivedi



During the course of this lively discussion, Rajiv Malhotra took the opportunity to engage with a younger audience who have been misguided and misinformed about Hindu Dharma, and who have been systematically brainwashed by the Left ecosystem.





He discusses the consequences of incurring collective negative Karma and how it is leading to a pandemic like COVID19. He touches upon how Americanization and consumer economy are leading to karma which has harmful consequences.

In Conversation with Dr. Jay Glaser



Dr. Jay Glaser and Rajiv Malhotra discuss the advent and evolution of transcendental meditation in US. He talks about how the riches of Ayurveda was brought to the West and positioned as a consciousness based system. He talks about how Maharishi refused to adopt a reductionist approach to Ayurveda and didn't believe in separating out active ingredients from the source plant when talking about medicines and pharmacology.

Rajiv Malhotra and Jay Glaser talk about the years of Deepak Chopra and Sri Sri Ravi Shankar at Maharishi Mahesh Yogi's ashram, and the influence it had on their subsequent careers. They then talk about how Dr Herb Benson studied Transcendental Meditation under Maharishi Mahesh Yogi and then went off to start his own technique modeled on TM.

In the final episode of this series, Rajiv Malhotra and Dr. Jay Glaser discuss the influence that Maharishi had on Indians in India.

Video: <u>1</u>, <u>2</u>, <u>3</u>, <u>4</u>

#### **Discussion with Students**

Rajiv Malhotra sits down with members of Democratic Secular Students' Forum of Tata Institute of Social sciences, Mumbai to discuss the five important things he wants the youth to do to become an Intellectual Kshatriya. They will also discuss Rajiv's assessment of India today and the challenges facing its youth. Video

**Youth Asks** 



Rajiv Malhotra and Divya Nagaraj discuss the importance of asserting and protecting one's unique cultural identity. Rajiv insists on mutual respect as a way forward to solve differences and conflicts. He explains the root cause for the inferiority ridden complexes experienced by Indians while dealing with the West. Video

They discuss the difference between deep culture and pop culture. Rajiv points out how the US is strongly rooted despite the pop culture trends superficially. They also discuss the difference between traditional gurus and modern gurus and the important role they play in society today. Video

# **Other Episodes**

- The U-turn Theory
- <u>Election Fraud in Guyana</u>
- Challenges Faced by Hindus on American Campuses
- <u>Is Arthashastra Relevant Today?</u>





# Videos in Hindi (Dubbed)

List of Hindi-dubbed videos this quarter are:

- मेरी 25 वर्षों की यात्रा
  - o <u>प्रबोधन</u>
  - शैक्षणिक संस्थान: अनुदान एवं सामना
  - o <u>विद्वान के रूप में अनुसंधान</u>
  - स्वदेशी दृष्टि का सिद्धांत
- एस. गुरुमूर्ति से साक्षात्कार
  - पाश्चात्य विकास मॉडलों का उत्थान और पतन
  - भारतीय विकास मॉडलों की उज्ज्वल संभावनाएं
  - ० भविष्य का भारत और विश्व
- राजीव मल्होत्रा भारत विखंडन पर वार्विक में
- डॉ. नागास्वामी
  - ० द्रविड अलगाववाद का विध्वंस
  - तिरुक्कुरल और धर्मशास्त्रों का तुलनात्मक विश्लेषण
  - कैसे और क्यों बनाई गयी तमिल संस्कृति संस्कृत विरोधी

# **Popular Articles of Rajiv Malhotra**

The 10 most popular and widely read articles of Rajiv Malhotra in this quarter are:

- How 'Gandhara' Became 'Kandahar'
- The Root Of India-Pakistan Conflicts
- Why Sheldon Pollock is a very important
  Indologist to engage
- Gita On Fighting Terrorism
- Washington Post And Hinduphobia
- Whiteness Studies And Implications For Indian-American Identity
- Myth of Hindu Sameness
- <u>'Holy Spirit' is not the same as 'Shakti' or 'Kundalini'</u>
- The Axis Of Neocolonialism
- <u>Traditional Knowledge Systems</u>

#### Intellectual Kshatriya

Our new offering for the public to participate in is the Intellectual Kshatriya website intellectualkshatriya.com. It has seen great participation from those who believe in the drishti propagated by Rajiv Malhotra and Infinity Foundation. We invite more of you to contribute to it and let your voice be heard to a large segment of public.



The website is steadily gaining in popularity and we present to you few of the most popular articles on the platform.

- History... a pack of lies! I am 18 years old and I feel betrayed by Shruthee M S
- The Preposterous & Dangerous
  ISLAMOPHILIA of Devdutt Pattanaik by
  Rabinarayan Swain
- It's an open battle now; Are we ready? by Shruthee M S
- <u>"They" say...Die! Sanatanis Die!</u> By Esther Dhanraj
- #Covid19Dharma: What Can The Ramayana Teach Us? By Divya Nagaraj
- <u>China Must Pay... and so must the World</u> by Subhodeep Mukhopadhyay
- History needs to be History! We need an <u>Alternative To History</u> by Subhodeep Mukhopadhyay





- <u>China Coronavirus Panic: A "Western</u>
  <u>Universalism" Case Study</u> by Subhodeep
  Mukhopadhyay
- A Call For Pūrva Pakşa Of China In A Post COVID-19 World by Manogna Sastry
- Where Is The Beef? Examining The Southern Hinduphobe's Latest "Atrocity"
   Offering by Team IK

# **Regional Language Initiative**

We are continuing with our efforts to provide Hindi and other regional language subtitles of both current as well as older videos released by Infinity Foundation. Rajiv Malhotra's academic writings are being translated into various Indian languages and are available in Rajivmalhotraregional.com website.

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