

Fortnightly Digest by



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Warm greetings!

We are pleased to bring you this fortnightly digest from the Health, Ethics and Law Institute (HEaL Institute) and the *Indian Journal of Medical Ethics* (IJME).

We bring you two spotlights this time by sharing select relevant pieces from IJME to mark the **International Day of Persons with Disabilities on Dec 3** and the **Mahaparinirvan Diwas – a Remembrance Day of Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar on Dec 6**.

Newsletter Spotlight 1 | International Day of Persons with Disabilities | Dec 3

December 3, every year is an international observance promoted by the United Nations since 1992. Disability inclusion is central to the promise of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development to leave no one behind. Doing so is an essential condition to upholding human rights, and ensuring social justice. We bring you select papers IJME published over the period on various critical aspects and issues discussed by advocates and persons with disabilities towards inclusivity at policy and program level.

[Does India's Menstrual Hygiene Management Scheme exclude the disabled?](#) By Daisy Dutta, Chhanda Chakraborti [Oct, 2021];

IJME theme section titled '**[The way we see people](#)**' led by Drs Upreet Dhaliwal and Satendra Singh with an editorial **[Forging an ethical pathway: Disability accommodation, diverse voices, and standards of care](#)** [Oct-Dec, 2020].

[Disability certificates in India: a challenge to health privacy](#) by N N Mishra, L S Parker, V L Nimgaonkar, S N Deshpande [Jan, 2012]

[Disability-selective abortion: denying human rights to make a "perfect world"?](#) by Kiran Gupta [Jan, 2013]

[Impact of UNCRPD on the status of persons with disabilities](#) by Smitha Nizar [Oct, 2011]

Newsletter Spotlight 2 | Remembrance Day of Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar | Dec 6

Dr Ambedkar's seminal contributions to the discourse on elimination of caste system amongst others remains relevant even today. Unfortunately, we still have to deal with it and talk about casteism in healthcare settings and medical education institutions despite the progressive Constitution of India. Both FMES and IJME remain engaged with the issue of institutionalised casteism in healthcare settings and in medical education institutions. We bring you a select set of published resources from IJME and FMES.

[Workplace bullying in healthcare facilities: Role of caste and reservation](#) by Mrinal Prakash Barua, Anita Verma [Feb, 2021]

[The medical profession must urgently act on caste-based discrimination and harassment in their midst](#) by Kiran Kumbhar [Feb, 2021]

[Reflections on discrimination and health in India](#) by R Srivatsan [Jan, 2015]

[Medicine, merit, money and caste: the complexity of medical education in India](#) by Abhijit M Bal [Jan, 2010]

[The Thorat Committee Report and the good doctor](#) by George Thomas [Jan, 2008]



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November 29, 2021 | [Addressing stigma and discrimination in the Covid-19 pandemic: a public health ethics issue](#) | Suneela Garg, Anjali Rajeev, Nidhi Bhatnagar

November 26, 2021 | [Just the diagnosis is never enough!](#) | William Wilson

November 20, 2021 | [LGBTQIA+ rights, mental health systems, and curative violence in India](#) | Sudarshan R Kottai

November 19, 2021 | [Ethical distancing in the pandemic](#) | Ganesh Singh Dharmashaktu

November 19, 2021 | [Five Hums of a Hospital](#) | Raamesh Gowri Raghavan

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