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15 SEPTEMBER 2021 18:45 TO 20:00 PM ZOOM MEETING: PASSWORD: 1860

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**TOWARDS BREAKING BARRIERS AND REACHING OUT: THE CASE OF FRAGMENTED COMMUNITIES IN KWA ZULU NATAL**

**Thematic Discourse:** Recently the upheaval in our province, KwaZulu Natal has brought much destruction, loss of lives and in its wake a great deal of mistrust and separation of racial communities. The 1860 Indentured Labourers Foundation Verulam embraces a sense of commitment to loyal citizenship in the country of our birth and have as its motto "perseverance and the desire to succeed". This year the Foundation continues to extend its commitment to creating harmony between communities. Through decades of separation South Africans live alongside each other but not together and there are many myths and stereotypes that are often detrimental to building a cohesive nation. Though the Covid 19 Pandemic has taught us that we are all one as victims, we have not been able to really understand this message. This year, the Foundation would like to engage with matters that we as Indian people have in common with our African brothers and sisters. Using Oral History as a research methodology, we would like to share our culture, tell our story and in so doing, hope to reach out to others in further attempts of nation building and social cohesion.

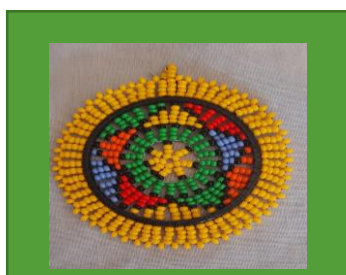
18:45	Announcements & Prayer: <i>Dr Kogie Archary - Research &amp; Development</i>
	Welcome: <i>Mrs Maggie Achary - Dep President</i>
	1860 Indentured Labourers Foundation Verulam: <i>Mr JS Singh - President</i>
	Cultural reverberance
19:00	Discourse
19:55	Vote of Thanks: <i>Mr Roy Raghubir - General Secretary</i>
	Closure: <i>Dr Kogie Archary NB *(Programme subject to change)</i>



**Dr Devi Rajab:** Clarify this reality - "Though the Covid 19 pandemic has taught us that we are all one as victims, we have not been able to really understand this message" and provide a way to move forward as communities.

**National Department of Sport, Arts and Culture Hon Dep Minister Ms. Nocawe Mafu:** Deliberate on the cultural aspects that serves to bring people together and thus impact or engage communities in nation building and simultaneously developing social cohesion especially during periods of recent unrest and the current global pandemic.

**Respondent Dr Bonita Bennett :** In responding to the above research questions, the focus of attention will also note that although we acknowledge that we are all victims of the pandemic, we also must recognise that we experience that 'victimhood' on different scales based on issues of apartheid legacy.



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