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The Department of Gandhian and Peace Studies in collaboration with the UNESCO Network Chair cordially invites you for the special webinar of Shri Tushar Arun Gandhi, on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2020 at 11:30 am sharp on the topic "Salt Satyagraha and Self Sufficiency Model of Gram Panchayat". The participants can join the meeting either through the laptop/desktop or via mobile by 11:20am through the **Cisco WebEx** (<https://www.webex.co.in/>) **with the following details:**

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Brief Bio-data of Shri Tushar Arun Gandhi

**Shri Tushar Arun Gandhi** is the son of journalist Shri Arun Manilal Gandhi, grandson of Manilal Gandhi and great-grandson of Mahatma Gandhi. In March 2005, he led the 75th anniversary re-enactment of the Dandi March. Tushar Gandhi is best known for having established in 1998 in Vadodara (Gujarat) the Mahatma Gandhi Foundation. It is now located in Mumbai (and he is still its President). Since 1996 he has served as President of the Lok Seva Trust, an NGO which a nephew of Mahatma Gandhi had establish in central Bombay in the mid-1950s for the welfare to textile-mill labourers. In 2000, Tushar Gandhi portrayed himself in a fictional Bollywood movie directed by Kamal Hassan, "Hey Ram" and in 2009 he did likewise in a semi-fictional movie, "Road to Sangam, based on an episode in his own life. A nonfiction book by him, *Let's Kill Gandhi*, was published in 2007 and became for a few weeks a best seller in India. In 2008 he was appointed Chairman of the Australian Indian Rural Development Foundation (AIRDF). In 2018 he played a significant role in petitioning successfully the Supreme Court of India to direct the states and Union Territories to comply with its orders to curb cow-vigilante lynch mobs. In 2019 he became a Director of the Gandhi Research Foundation in Jalgaon, Maharashtra.

Dr. Manish Sharma

(Chairperson)