# Wikimedia Wikimeet India 2021

Introduction

#### **Welcome to Wikimedia Wikimeet India 2021**

Welcome to Wikimedia Wikimeet India 2021. On behalf of the organising team of the Wikimeet I am welcoming you to the Wikimeet.

(https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wikimedia Wikimeet India 2021)

#wmwm2021

Please note: All sessions will be recorded.

## **Topics**

- Wikimedia Wikimeet India: About
- Program schedule (19 21 February 2021)
- Friendly Space Policy
- Event logistics

#### Wikimeet: About

#### What?

- Online Wikimeet planned by Access to Knowledge (A2K)
- Dates: 19 21 February 2021
- In the program you'll find different types of programmes such as training, workshop, presentation, brainstorming sessions etc.

#### Why?

- Exploring the online platform for Wiki-events, and Wiki-training.
  - A lot of scope to plan and conduct online Wiki-events and activities
  - Learning opportunity and sharing of learning

## Why Wikimeet 2021?

- A2K has been conducting national-level in-person events such as Train-the-Trainer, MediaWiki Training, Wiki Advanced Training, Project Tiger
- We also have experience of supporting major national and regional events in India such as Bangla Wikipedia anniversary, Wikiconference India, Wikisangamotsavam etc.
- We have less engagement in conducting online training, and workshop.
- We gradually started focusing in this area. Example: Wikidata Skill-share,
   Wikisource Clinic, Wikidata Eighth Birthday Celebration 2020 etc.
- After these attempts and initiatives, and gradually improving our knowledge about Wiki-Programs now we are conducting a larger event "Wikimeet".

#### Wikimeet: The Thought

Although Wikimedia Wikimeet is being conducted in 2021. We have been thinking to conduct such an event for quite sometime now.

However we are not sure of many things and unsure of the challenges.

- ❖ Face-to-face communication/Human touch
- Didactic communication
- Remote engagement method
- Platform, internet connectivity and other issues

In 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic the whole world started re-exploring remote training method.

We all are learning, and this is the first time we are trying a large-scale online event. There might be errors, mistakes, or technical issues. We'll try to fix these issues as much as possible.

#### **Program Schedule**

#### Program Schedule:

There are seven tracks:

- Growth
- Parnership
- Technical
- Strategy
- Community
- Language
- Miscellaneous

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## **Friendly Space Policy**

We all should try to maintain a friendly environment during the event. <a href="https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wikimedia">https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wikimedia</a> Wikimeet India 2021/Friendly space <a href="policy">policy</a>

#### Major points from the Friendly Space Policy

- The organizing team is dedicated to providing a harassment-free space and experience for everyone, regardless of gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, physical appearance, age, race, ethnicity, political affiliation, national origin, or religion—and not limited to these aspects.
- We strongly encourage a positive and benevolent collaboration between participants, and we are also ready to limit or cancel the participation of people who are not willing to follow these guidelines.

## **Friendly Space Policy**

- We do not tolerate any form of harassment of participants. Any participants violating these rules may be sanctioned or expelled from the event at the discretion of the organizers.
- Encourage a positive and friendly atmosphere Value each other's ideas, styles and viewpoints. Be aware that people may have different levels of knowledge, different skills and background.
- If you have questions or need to report an issue, please contact the organizers or your breakout room facilitator immediately. You can send a private message on Zoom or "ask for help." You can also email us <a href="wwwm@cis-india.org">wmwm@cis-india.org</a>

## Logistics

- Punctuality is important: We have a tight schedule. Let us try to be on time.
- Every session has a moderator. Organising team members will be around as well to provide necessary support
- If a presentation is going on, or someone else is speaking, please keep yourself muted.
- If you have questions, please let a presentation get over, and we'll have some time for the Q&A. You can also write questions in the chat and the moderators note the question.
- We'll try to take as many questions as possible. Due to time constraint or other reasons we may not be able to engage with all the questions during the session.

## Let's Begin... Charaiveti...