

Impact of COVID-19 on mental health

# **Description**

### Theme:

• During the COVID-19 pandemic, many people are experiencing stress, anxiety and other psychological issues.

## Impact of covid-19 on mental health:

- As many people are dying due to COVID-19, there is an <u>intense fear in almost everyone</u> about the health of themselves and their family members. This is causing anxiety disorders, stress and depression in several people.
- Many people lost one or more family members due to the pandemic. Some of them couldn't
  even see & touch their deceased family member. So, many are suffering from posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Due to the pandemic, several people had to grieve alone.
  This is causing even more trauma.
- <u>Frontline workers</u> and their families are at an increased risk of getting affected by the virus. This coupled with too much work caused <u>burnouts and depressive disorders</u> for many healthcare professionals around the world.
- Lockdowns and the voluntary social distancing rules made many people <u>feel isolated</u>. This too caused anxiety issues.
- Loss of jobs and other income sources caused panic attacks for many and created intense stress. Poor people are the worst sufferers.
- Some of the <u>domestic violence</u> victims had to stay with abusers as there is no chance of going out for work like before. This worsened their mental health.
- Students have no option of offline classes. <u>Online classes</u> caused isolation and anxiety issues for many students.
- As schools are closed, young couples <u>had to take care of kids while working from home</u>.
   This caused burnout and intense stress for many. In many families, the burden fell totally on women.
- People with underlying health problems and their family members are facing anxiety

- problems and sleeping problems due to a higher risk of getting affected by covid-19.
- Fear of getting affected by the virus is stopping many from contacting psychologists. This is worsening the issue. Still, many people do not have access to telemedicine facilities.

### **Conclusion:**

COVID-19 affected the mental health of many. There is a need to increase the availability of mental health professionals. All schools and colleges should recruit psychologists for the benefit of their students. Widespread awareness of mental health issues and the importance of taking help from professionals is needed.

### Your Turn...

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