

**China-Pakistan Study Centre at the Institute of Strategic  
Studies Islamabad**

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**Mishal Pakistan and Wusool**

**Cordially invites you to a  
Webinar**

**Emerging Technologies: Important Tool  
to Combat COVID-19**

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## **‘Emerging Technologies: Important Tool to Combat COVID-19’**

COVID-19 pandemic is changing the way humans have lived for decades. Life, in all its dimensions, has come to a standstill. Efforts are going on across the world to explore ways to deploy new technologies in fighting COVID-19. As the coronavirus is adapting and spreading at a fast pace, our response should be swift and effective as well. This can be achieved through employing ‘Emerging Technologies’ to trace and track chains of virus. Experience of China, Singapore, South Korea and Germany has shown that leveraging digital technologies can go a long way in improving efficiency of national efforts in pandemic control.

The Emerging Technologies include artificial intelligence, big data, cloud computing, thermal imaging, facial recognition, drone technology and smart applications. China, for instance, developed new applications that mandated people to record their temperature twice a day, and that was sent to the database. Authorities, at all levels, had access to the database, and whenever people ventured out, their health status was cross-checked with those databases. Only those with clear medical histories would be allowed to go out. Similarly, South Korea, leveraged big data to trace contact chains and identify people for testing. Pakistan can also emulate these examples and expand the scope of prevailing operational policy.

To learn about the role, emerging technologies are playing in fight against COVID-19, and propose policy-recommendations, China-Pakistan Study Center (CPSC) at the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI) in collaboration with Mishal Pakistan is organizing a webinar on April 27, 2020 at 1400 hrs. Experts from the field of artificial intelligence, big data, and social media technologies, are invited to share their views, followed by a question & answer session.

Research Faculty of ISSI, members of academia, media, think-tanks, business community, and civil society are invited to join the webinar. Proceedings of the webinar will be published in the form of a report on the ISSI website.