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Transformation of the State in the Light of the Theories and Its Situation in the Post-COVID World: A Sociological Perspective

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ABSTRACT

In the study, the state which has come to the present day by changing in parallel with the social structure throughout history is examined with the sociological theories and the change caused by the pandemic in the states is discussed. For this reason, the aim of the study is to reveal the transformation of the state with sociological theories in general, and to discuss the future of the state sovereignty in the post-COVID World in particular. The state has been taking various forms since modern times, strengthened in the Welfare State period and weakened in the globalisation period. The global COVID-19 experience has paved the way for the nation-state to become stronger again. This situation has pointed to the reality that the evolution of the nation-state is not necessarily a linear process. The new debate in social sciences in the post-pandemic World is the issues of whether the strengthening nation-state will open the door to new forms of globalisation or it will lead to a neo-feudal society and tyranny constitute. This work posits that in a post-COVID world, the nation-state needs to have a flexible structure that both strongly preserves its social and public characteristics.

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