

A Report on

"Pre-celebration of International Women's Day"

(3rd,6th and 7th March 2023, Tuesday)

Abstract:

Women Development Cell of Gandhinagar University pre celebrated "International Women's Day" on 3rd,6th and 7th March,2023. The motto of the celebration was to motivate female students and empower them for her and society's betterment. The event was organized for the female faculties and understudies' girl students of Gandhinagar University under the guidance of Dr. H N Shah (Director), trustees, and the management. It was for 3 consecutive days and there was a Painting Competition which led to Wall Painting and an awareness session on "Prevention of Sexual Harassment at Workplace". The following are the details about the celebration:

Program overview:

A Painting Competition was held on 3^{rd} of March,2023 where students were given the theme on feminism to present their artistic ideas on chart paper. The students wonderfully presented their ideas and winners were given the chance to do wall painting of the same on 6^{th} of March,2023. The students were felicitated with cash prize and they were happy to be a part of the celebration.

The session on "Prevention of Sexual Harassment at workplace" was organized on 7th of March,2023 at Seminar Hall. The session began with an introductory speech followed by a prayer song and lamp lightning taking the grace of almighty. Dr. Jharna Pathak was the expert of the day and she was welcomed with a token of love from our University. An informative and valuable session on Prevention of Sexual Harassment was given by Dr. Jharna Pathak. The seminar displayed various safety measures for a woman in case of Harassment. The details regarding different types of Harassment and ways of protecting them were also discussed with the students. It was the honour of the girls' students of Gandhinagar University to be a part of the seminar on Sexual Harassment. More than 50 students were the part of this session. A beautiful dance performance was also given by the students at the end of the Session.

At the end of the day, the prize distribution ceremony was done for the winners of Painting Competition. The day ended well with the distribution of chocolates to the students. A small token of gift was also given by the Gandhinagar University Family to all the female members of the institute including Class 4 Female staff.

On this women's day, the University decided to educate, empower, and encourage all the female members of the institute ranging from class 4 workers to faculty members to students. The students acknowledged the importance of women and thought of bringing a significant change in women's equality and emancipation. They cheered up with a spark of making everyday an International Women's Day.

The Celebration ended well with the smooth conduction of series of events with the support of Trustees, Director Sir, WDC Coordinators, female faculty members as well as student coordinators. The events were remarkable and fulfilled its purpose of making the girls realize that every day is her day.

Proportion of Women Benefited:

The session was for all the female students, female faculties, and female staff in which they are benefitted from the following points:

- They got a chance to show their Painting skills on paper and the best ones were presented on wall.
- They got to know about the precautions one should take against Sexual Harassment.
- There was a discussion on the real-life incidents which gave different insights regarding prevention of Sexual Harassment.

Measurable gains in knowledge:

While conducting the session, they got knowledge about the below mentioned points:

- 1. They showed different portraits related to struggle of women and achievements through Paintings.
- 2. They got ideas about different techniques to protect them from Sexual Harassment.

Measurable gains in skill:

While conducting this session, the participants got to learn about self-belief, self-respect, and self-awareness. It also showcased girl power and confidence. It raised a feeling of self-independence and motivated every girl participant to share education to protect themselves from any type of Harassment. And also, they got a chance to showcase their skills of Painting.

Feedback:

The students enjoyed the series of events organized by WDC and were motivated to have such competition in the near future. The faculties, staff members and students were very much happy to be an attendee of this Celebration.

Photo Gallery:



Painting Competition



Wall Painting by Palak Makhija



Introductory Speech by students



Lamp lightning Ceremony



Audience at a Glance



Speech by Dr. Jharna Pathak



Dance performance by the students



A token of love to Class 4 Woman helper



Group Photo of the day