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**GENDER SENSITIZATION PROGRAMME
WITH KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA SANGATHAN
& THE PRIZE DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY**

The National Commission for Women has a wide mandate of protecting, promoting and furthering the interests of women. The Commission has been taking steps to generate awareness about the laws, rights and entitlements of women in the society. With the belief that education is a process to create ideal individuals in the society; the Commission went by the principle 'Catch Them Young' and partnered with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to introduce gender sensitization and legal awareness programme for students of Class 11th and 12th as the target group. The pilot programme was launched in 60 schools of Kendriya Vidyalaya Delhi region.

The programme was intended at inculcating values of equality, inclusivity and diversity, among the adolescent boys and girls, which are essential for building a healthy society. The Commission worked on curriculum building on 'Gender Sensitization' and 'Major Laws Relating to Women' with the help of an Expert Committee. The material was made available on NCW website for easy reference of the students. Thereafter, the students were tested for their understanding of the subject, a competitive exam was conducted on 3rd October 2019 across 60 schools. The pattern of the examination was objective type through Multiple Choice Questions. A total of 7345 and 5733 students from class 11th and 12th respectively from KVS Delhi region appeared for the examination.

In the grand ceremony of awarding the top scorer of the examination, Hon'ble Minister for Women & Child Development Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani gave away the prizes to the winning students on 18th November 2019 at Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi.

WOMEN ACHIEVERS



Ms. Gita Gopinath became the first Indian woman to be appointed as the chief economist at the International Monetary Fund (IMF). She is the second Indian after Amartya Sen to get a permanent membership at Harvard's Economics Department.



Ms. Aruna became the first Indian gymnast to win a medal at the Gymnastics World Cup. She created history by becoming the first Indian to clinch a medal at Gymnastics World Cup.



Ms. Komal Mangtani is hailed as one of the world's most influential female software engineers and heads the Business Intelligence Team at Uber. Her team ensures safe rides to customers, smooth communication, and fraud prevention. Her meteoric rise at Uber scored her a spot in the Forbes' list of America's Top 50 Women in Tech, 2018.



Ms. Padmini Warrior made it to Forbes' list of America's Top 50 Women in Tech, 2018. She studied Chemical Engineering at IIT Delhi. Her stint was at a startup, NIO, where she grew the company from scratch to a 700-strong team.





Glimpses from the KVS Prize Distribution Ceremony

INSPECTION OF JAILS, CUSTODIAL HOMES AND PSYCHIATRIC INSTITUTIONS

The National Commission for Women continued to undertake inspection of Prisons and Psychiatric Homes with a view to identify areas where improvements could be made to provide a better, safer and gender sensitive environment for the female inmates in these institutions and help them in their rehabilitation and re-integration with family/community once they are out of such Institution. The Commission conducted inspection of 11 Psychiatric Homes at Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Nagaland, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttrakhand during the period from April 2019 to 18th November 2019. These reports have been sent to Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, respective State Department of Health and Family Welfare. The Medical Superintendents of the inspected Psychiatric Homes have been requested for taking further necessary action and to submit action taken report.

~ FROM CAPACITY BUILDING CELL ~

National Commission for Women in collaboration with the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) has been organizing Gender Sensitization Capacity Building Programme for Women Police Officers who are entrusted with the responsibility of investigating crimes against women. Each workshop is a three-day module and is organized in collaboration with the State Police Academy. These workshops were organized this month as per the table appended below.

Sl. No.	States:	Dates:
1.	Tripura, Agartala	4 th to 6 th November 2019
2.	Bhubaneswar, Orissa	13 th to 15 th November 2019
3.	Gangtok, Sikkim	20 th to 22 nd November 2019
4.	Chandigarh, Punjab	20 th to 22 nd November 2019

The National Commission for Women addresses a large number of complaints received from women with a view to ensuring that the rights of women are not compromised and justice is not denied to them. The complaints received through the online portal as well as offline are processed expeditiously and the matter is taken up with the appropriate authority concerned and pursued till its logical conclusion.

~ FROM COMPLAINT & INVESTIGATION CELL ~

Month	Complaints Received	Complaints Closed (Old+New)
November 2019	1642	1198

~ FROM NRI CELL ~

Month	Complaints Received	Complaints Closed (Old+New)
November 2019	51	17

~ FROM SUO-MOTU CELL ~

Month	No. of cases taken	No. of ATR replies received (Old+New)	No. of cases closed (Old+New)
November 2019	15	25	13

~ PROGRAMMES ATTENDED BY ~

Chairperson, Smt. Rekha Sharma

- Attended as State Guest at the event, ‘Mahila Sammelan Matrushakti’ at Srinagar (Garhwal), Uttarakhand to support the celebration and achievements on women empowerment projects.
- Attended as Chief Guest at the Silver Jubilee Ceremony of SBS University at Dehradun.
- Conducted a ‘Consultation Meeting’ with several partner NGOs in association with Uttar Pradesh State Commission for Women in Lucknow.
- Attended the 2-Day International Conference on ‘Protection of Rights of the Migrant Workers’ in Kathmandu, Nepal, and chaired a panel session on women migrant and related issues like trafficking and forced labour.



Member, Smt. Chandramukhi Devi

- Visited Kolkata to conduct an inquiry in a Gang Rape case reported from the State.
- Visited district Chamba at Himachal Pradesh, to take stock of the implementation of the Central Government Schemes in the State and visited all Aspirational Districts to make an overall assessment of implementation of Women Development Schemes of NITI Aayog.
- Attended a workshop on 'Self Defense Programme' conducted for 10,000 girls at Samastipur, Bihar by Patory Foundation.



Member, Dr. Rajul L. Desai

- Visited Punjab, to take stock of the implementation of the Central Government Schemes by paying visit at two Aspirational Districts, Ferozepur and Moga. Meetings held with District Officers regarding health, education and safety of women, were thoroughly checked and given many suggestions and recommendations for effective functioning of the Schemes for the beneficiaries.



Member, Smt. Soso Shaiza

- Conducted an Outreach Programme for Students from Northeastern States studying at Delhi University, South Campus, New Delhi.
- Attend as Chief guest at the Closing Ceremony of North East Student's Organization (NESO) Sports Meet, held at Jalandhar and encouraged youth to take up Sports as career option.
- Chaired at the BCCC's meeting at IBF Office in New Delhi.
- Hosted a group of 75 students from Durgapur Institute of Legal Studies, West Bengal and apprised them of the work and functioning of National Commission for Women.



Member, Smt. Shyamala S Kundar

- Visited Udupi District, Karnataka, and held meeting with D.C, Z.P. C.E.O, Additional S.P, A.D.C, and other Social Welfare Board Officers and WCD Officers to assess the proper implementation of women empowerment schemes and projects in the district, and to flag issues if any.
- Attended the Sahakari Saptaha event on women empowerment programs at Udupi District.
- Visited Hubli district, Dharwad, Karnataka and initiated an inquiry committee comprising of local advocate member committee to assist with complaints received and close cases of pending complaints. Took suo-moto cognizance for 3 cases and conducted fact finding for solve the distress and crime against women.
- Visited Swadhar Greh and Abala Ashrama at Bangalore District for proper inspection.
- Held meetings with Director General of Police Smt. Neelamani Raju at Bangalore District, Karnataka and discussed several necessary steps to take on women development schemes, projects, training and awareness Programme.
- Visited the Social Welfare Department and District Collector at Chikamagaluru District.
- Assessed the Ladies Hostel at Chikamagaluru District and suggested to conduct training and workshops for skill development and other awareness Programme for residents.
- Attended the Mahila Mandal Programme, the Hireadka Awareness Programme, and Rajaka Youth Programme, held at Chikamagaluru District, Karnataka.

