

NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

PRESS NOTE

NCW organizes Workshop on Gender Responsive Governance for Women MLAs from 6 states

New Delhi, September 21, 2022: The National Commission for Women organized a Workshop on Gender Responsive Governance for elected women representatives (MLAs) from six states under 'She Is A Changemaker' project, a pan-India capacity building programme of the Commission for improving leadership skills of women representatives at all levels.

Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan, Hon'ble Governor of Telangana and Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Puducherry participated as Chief Guest in the inaugural ceremony. Chairperson, National Commission for Women Ms Rekha Sharma and Disha Pannu, Deputy Director Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA) also graced the occasion.

In her inaugural address, Hon'ble Governor Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan motivated the women MLAs with her valuable experiences and appreciated their efforts towards the nation and the public. She said that women have come a long way from being a homemaker to becoming a changemaker and though it is not an easy task but women have dedicated their lives to serve the country and humanity. She also said that it was not an easy job to be a people's representative and no matter the number of challenges but women must be confident and consistent in their hardwork and they will achieve their goals. She also said that there is a need to prepare men to live with strong women.

While delivering her inaugural address, Hon'ble Chairperson, NCW, Ms Rekha Sharma said that the workshop has been conceptualised and developed with an aim to promote capacity-building for women leaders. She said that every woman is a leader and all that they need to do is polish their skills.

The three-day workshop has been organised in Udaipur, Rajasthan in collaboration with National Gender and Child centre, Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA). During the workshop, the women MLAs will be trained on gender-responsive governance in different such 'Effective sessions as Leadership', 'Inclusive Governance', 'Understanding Gender-Based Violence, 'Gender Sensitive and Inclusive Communication', 'Strengthening Legislative Traditions' and 'Digital Literacy & Social Media Training, etc. The workshop is being attended by 25 participants from the states of Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, and Odisha.

The primary objective of the workshop is to sensitize and assist the Elected Women Representatives to build on their identified strengths and increase the levels of self- awareness in a manner that would help them in managing different and challenging paths ahead, in line with the overall 'She is a Change maker' programme.

Under 'She Is A Changemaker' project, the Commission has organised capacity building programme for women representatives in association with region-wise training institutes with an aim to improve their decision making, communication skills, effective management, etc.