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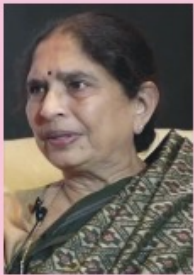
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**Dept. of Politics and International Relations
Celebrates**

International Womens' Day

8th March 2021

Theme: Choose to Challenge



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Central University of Jharkhand

Department of Politics and International Relations

Celebrate International Women's Day (Online Mode)

Date: 8th March, 2021 (Monday)

Time: 10 am to 11.30am

Place: Central University of Jharkhand

International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. Significant activity is witnessed worldwide as groups come together to celebrate women's achievements or rally for women's equality. Marked annually on **March 8th**, International Women's Day (IWD) is one of the most important days of the year to:

- Celebrate women's achievements
- Raise awareness about women's equality
- Lobby for accelerated gender parity

The international women's day is collectively founded by women who brings attention to gender parity and women's rights in the global scenario. Gender parity is a statistical measure that compares women and men through their income, education, and work hours, among other points. This metric helps researchers, policy makers, institutional leaders in understanding how society is progressing or regressing in specific areas of women's life. It's also an important tool for policymakers striving towards gender equality.

Of course, the global celebration of International Women's Day is a time for reflection of how far women have come, advocacy for what is still needed, and action to continue breaking down barriers. With over a century of history, International Women's Day is a growing movement centered around unity and strength.

International Women's Day has a rich history dating back 108 years- the first glimpse of it was in 1909 when the Socialist Party of America celebrated 15,000 women who protested long work hours, low pay, and the lack of voting rights in New York City. Originally called National Woman's Day, the monumental annual celebration spread across the world (officially celebrated in 1911), but it was Russia who unknowingly set the March 8 trend. Although International Women's Day became an official holiday in Russia in 1913, women still experienced difficulties caused by WWI. While men were off at war, women dealt with food shortages and a government who wouldn't listen to them. On March 8, 1917 (February 23 in the former Russian calendar), tens of thousands of Russian women took to the streets

demanding change. The unified cry for help paved the way for Russian women to be granted voting rights soon after.

International Women's Day 2021 Theme- Choose to Challenge

The 2021 International Women's Day revolves around the famous dialogue i.e. *"A challenged world is an alert world. Individually, we're all responsible for our own thoughts and actions – all day, every day. We can all choose to challenge and call out gender bias and inequality. We can all choose to seek out and celebrate women's achievements. Collectively, we can all help create an inclusive world. From challenge comes change, so let's all choose to challenge."* International Women's Day, 2021

On the outset, the Department of Politics and International Relations, Central University of Jharkhand, propose to celebrates the International Women's Day every year to emphasize the presence of women in higher education and their contribution in learning and education on 8th of March, 2021 through online mode with presence of women leaders in different sectors.

Webinar Schedule

10-10.15am- Welcome and Introduction of Dignitaries by Dr Alok Kumar Gupta- Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Central University of Jharkhand.

10.15am-10.25am- Introductory Remarks- Prof S.L Harikumar, Registrar, Central University of Jharkhand.

10.25am-10.35am- Address to the Community by Honorable Vice Chancellor, Central University of Jharkhand.

10.35-10.55am- Address by Prof Shantha Sinha- Child Rights Activist-India

10.55-11.15am- Address by Prof Gitanjali Batmanabane- Director, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Bhubaneswar, Odisha

11.15-11.25am- Concluding remarks by Prof Manoj Kumar- Dean Academics- Central University of Jharkhand

11.25-11.30am-Vote of Thanks by Dr Aparna, Assistant Professor, Department of Politics and International Relations, Central University of Jharkhand.