

ETHIRAJ COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

(AUTONOMOUS) Chennai - 600 008, Tamil Nadu, India (Affiliated to the University of Madras) College with Potential for Excellence Re-accredited with A⁺ Grade by NAAC

Centre For Women's Studies

On the occasion of the culmination of 75 years of service in Empowering Women

in collaboration with the International Centre for University of Madras (ICOM) University of Madras, Chennai, India (Re-accredited with A⁺⁺ Grade by NAAC)

k

Regional Association for Women's Studies (RAWS)

invite you to the

International Conference

Women as Catalyst for Sustainable Development

(ICWCSD'24)

Partially Sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)

Date: 7th and 8th March 2024

Venue: Main Auditorium

Day I: 7th March 2024

08:00	a.m. –	09:00	a.m.
09:00	a.m. –	11:00	a.m.

Welcome Address



: •

Presidential Address



Registration Inaugural Thamizh Thaai Vazhthu Lighting of Kuthuvilakku

Dr. S. Uma Gowrie Principal & Secretary Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Thiru, V.M. Muralidharan Chairman Ethiraj College Trust Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Dr. B. Shyamala Director Centre for Women's Studies Associate Professor Postgraduate & Research Department of Economics Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Prof. Dr.K. Hemalatha

Founder Director, Centre for Empowerment of Women & Professor of Mathematics (Retd.) Anna University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Dr. Suganda Ramamoorthi

Associate Professor (Retd.) Lady Doak College, Madurai & Secretary i/c & Treasurer RAWS Chennai, Tamil Nadu



Prof. Dr. Rita John Director

International Centre for University of Madras (ICOM) Professor & Head **Department of Theoretical Physics** University of Madras Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Release of Proceedings ICWCSD' 24

Felicitation Address



Conference Overview

Day I: 7th March 2024

Chief Guest Address



Tmt. B. Jothi Nirmala Samy, IAS Secretary to Government Commercial Taxes and Registration Department Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Keynote Address



Dr. Sudha Seshayyan Former Vice-Chancellor Dr. MGR Medical University Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Day I: 7th March 2024

Honouring the Empowered Women



Padma Vibhushan Dr. Padma Subrahmanyam

Artist & Dancer Director Nitrodaya Chennai, India



Prof. Dr. Armaity S. Desai Former Chairperson University Grants Commission (UGC) Former Director Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, India



Prof. Dr. N. Manimekalai Director Centre for Women's Studies New Delhi, India

Vote of Thanks



Dr. M. Sujatha Director (SS) Centre for Women's Studies & Associate Professor & Head Department of Biochemistry Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Tea Break

Women Policies, Status and Strategies for Constructive Implementation

Session Chair



Prof. Dr. K. Hemalatha

Founder Director, Centre for Empowerment of Women & Professor of Mathematics (Retd.) Anna University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Panel Discussion - I

Policies for Women – Sustained Implementation



Dr. Susheela Kaushik Professor and Head Department of Political Science (Retd.) Founder Director Women's Studies Centre Delhi University, New Delhi

Gender and Labour market – Relevant Thoughts of Nobel Laureate 2023



Prof. Dr. N. Manimekalai Director Centre for Women's Development Studies New Delhi

Women in Science and Technology



Dr. Vaithegi Vijayakumar Former Vice-Chancellor Mother Teresa Women's University Kodaikanal, Tamil Nadu

Women's Health: Mind & Mood



Dr. Sugantha Ramamoorthi Associate Professor (Retd.) Lady Doak College, Madurai

Secretary i/c & Treasurer RAWS Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Lunch

02:00 p.m. – 03:00 p.m.

Plenary Session - I

Strategies for Inclusion of Women as Leaders in Higher Education



Prof. Karuna Chanana

Sociology of Education & Gender Former Chair and Professor Zakir Husain Centre for Educational Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi

Role of Women in Science & Technology



Prof. Indumathi Manivanan Nambi Department of Civil Engineering IIT Madras, Chennai

03:00 p.m. – 04:00 p.m.

Cultural Programme

04:00 p.m.

Теа

Day II: 8th March 2024

09:00 a.m. – 09:45 a.m

International Women's Day

Welcome Address



Dr. A. S. Saranya Vice Principal Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Felicitation Address



Dr. M. Jeyanthi Vice Principal (SS) Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Special Address



Dr. G. Vanitha Deputy Commissioner of Police Crime against Women and Children Greater Chennai City

9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Plenary Session – II

Session Chair



Gender Budgeting & Sustainable Development



Challenges in Gender Sensitization

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. – 01:30 p.m.

Session Chair



Dr. Sugantha Ramamoorthi

Associate Professor (Retd.) Lady Doak College, Madurai Secretary i/c & Treasurer RAWS Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Ms. S. Kamatchi Assistant Director Social Watch Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Prof. M. Sekar Honorary Professor, Anna University Financial Trustee, Ethiraj College Trust Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Tea Break

Plenary Session – III (Virtual)

Prof. Dr. Rita John

Director International Centre for University of Madras (ICOM) Professor & Head Department of Theoretical Physics University of Madras Chennai. Tamil Nadu

Keynote Address

Understanding The Challenges of Gender Equity in The Australian Higher Education Sector



Dr. Georgina Such

Associate Professor Athena Swan Lead University of Melbourne Associate Dean of Diversity and Inclusion Faculty of Science Associate Professor (School of Chemistry) The University of Melbourne, Australia.

Invited Talk

Women and Climate Change



Ms. Wang Mu

Deputy Director International Co-operation Department Chinese Wind Energy Association (CWEA) Senior Researcher Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM) China Liaison Office, China

Women's Empowerment - Is it Women achievement or Women domination? What makes a woman successful?





Ms. Mary Ebenezer

Founder and President Soar for Greatness Houston, USA

Ms. Rayneka Coley

Owner Operator of Optimus Consulting Firm, Place-Audit Boarding Home & Involution Group A Residential Treatment Facility for Minor Girls



Ms. Cynthia V Orozco

Analyst Software Engineering, DXC Technology, USA Business Partner – El Mulitplica Lawn Services, Houston, USA

HER STORY SESSION



Ms. Ann Mathulla

Management Consultant Accenture & Designer Canada Innovation Hub Toronto, Canada

Lunch

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

01:30 p.m. – 02:00 p.m.

02:00 p.m. – 03:00 p.m.

03:00 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.

Valedictory

Invocation

Welcome Address

Valedictory Address



Dr. S. Uma Gowrie Principal & Secretary Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu



Tmt. A.S. Kumari Chairperson Tamil Nadu State Commission for Women Chennai



Dr. R. Ravanan Joint Director of Collegiate Education Chennai Region

Rapporteurs Report

Special Address



Dr. S. Kavitha Associate Professor Department of Plant Biology & Plant Biotechnology Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Prize Distribution

Vote of Thanks



Dr. J. Mangayarkarasi Associate Professor & Head PG & Research Department of English Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

College Song

National Anthem

CONFERENCE COMMITEE

-----Chief Patron----

Thiru. V. M. Muralidharan

Chairman Ethiraj College Trust Chennai, Tamil Nadu India

-----Patron & Convenor------

Dr.S. Uma Gowrie

Principal & Secretary Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India

Prof. Dr. K. Hemalatha

Founder Director, Centre for Empowerment of Women & Professor of Mathematics (Retd.) Anna University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Prof. Dr. Rita John

-Convenors-----

Director International Centre for University of Madras (ICOM) Professor & Head Department of Theoretical Physics University of Madras Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Dr. Suganda Ramamoorthi

Associate Professor (Retd.) Lady Doak College, Madurai Secretary i/c & Treasurer RAWS Chennai, Tamil Nadu

----- Co-Convenors -----

Dr. A. S. Saranya

Vice Principal Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India

Dr. M. Jeyanthi

Vice Principal (SS) Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India

------ Organising Secretaries ------

Dr. B. Shyamala

Director Centre for Women's Studies Associate Professor Postgraduate & Research Department of Economics Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous)

Dr. M. Sujatha

Director (SS) Centre for Women's Studies Associate Professor & Head Department of Biochemistry Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous)

----- Conference Proceedings -----

Dr. P. Padmini Dean of Research Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous)

Dr. V. Malathi Dean of Research (SS) Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous)

----- Executive Members -----

Dr. J. Mangayarkarasi Associate Professor & Head

Dr. S. Kavitha Associate Professor

Dr. A. Saradha Assistant Professor

Dr. S. Deepa Rani Assistant Professor Dr. C.N. Deepa Associate Professor

Dr. S. Varalakshmi Rajam Associate Professor & Head

Dr. I. Lourdes Angeline Abilaksha Assistant Professor& Head

Dr.S. Sudha Assistant Professor

----- Treasurer ------

Dr. N. Nandini Co-ordinator, UGC Cell Ethiraj College for Women (Autonomous) ----- Student Committee -----

Ms. Vaishnavi V.V. Ph.D. Research Scholar Ms. Ananya K. Ph.D. Research Scholar

------Student Representatives from Centre for Women's Studies------

Ms. S. Bharathi President (Aided)

Ms. Shruthilaya R Vice-President (Aided)

Ms. G. Karishma Kanmani Secretary (Aided)

Fathima Affrin Y Student Coordinator (Aided)

Ms. I. Pradeepa Member Ms. A. Sofiyah Banu President (SS)

Ms. Saravana Sajitha Vice-President (SS)

Ms. S. Abinaya Secretary (SS)

Ms. S. Keerthika Editorial Secretary (SS)

Ms. S. Archana Member