



ETHIRAJ COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS)

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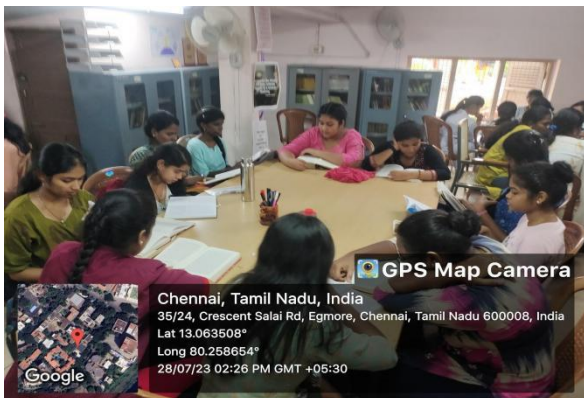


CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES (UGC FUNDED)

ACTIVITIES 2023-2024

JULY 2023

The Centre for Women's Studies conducted a two day session on **"Unveiling the Narratives of Women and Gender"** on **27/07/2023 & 28/07/2023** from **2.15pm to 4.00pm**. Student Members were invited to read books from the centre's library and the session ended with interactive discussion on the books by the students. Overall 175 students benefited from this session



AUGUST 2023

In August 2023, Centre for Women's Studies hosted events promoting Gender Equality and Women's Rights. **Tmt. A S Kumari** delivered a workshop on **Gender Justice and Women's Rights**, addressing Women's Rights, Sexual Harassment, and overcoming challenges. The PG and Research department of Economics and Business Economics, along with The Centre For Women Studies, organised a talk on **"Disquisition on Adolescent Women and Wellness"**, Dr Shanthi. A.R., a renowned gynaecologist, addressed critical health issues for adolescent girls, to an audience of 674 participants. The month concluded with a street play titled **"Empowerment Rhythms: A Melody of Equality,"** along with Youth Red Cross, engaging 1,500 students on women's legal rights, laws, and support schemes.



SEPTEMBER 2023

The Centre for Women's Studies (CWS) in association with IQAC conducted a two day competition, with the theme "**Digital Generation: Leaving No Girl Child Behind,**" for **International Girl Child Day (Sept 26-27, 2023)**. Inter-departmental and inter-collegiate competitions like Ink & Innovative, Code Quest, Poetic Pixels, and The Hult Prize engaged over 160 Women, promoting Girls' Rights and Digital Education.



OCTOBER 2023

The Centre For Women's Studies commemorated **International Girl Child Day on October 11, 2023**, with a focus on digital safety. The occasion featured a lecture titled "**Friend or Foe? Making Safe Connections in a Digital World**" by DSP Selvi Shri Lisha Stebila Theras, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Cyber Crime Wing, who highlighted the risks of mobile phones and online safety. **Informational pamphlets on girls' rights, schemes, and helplines were distributed to raise awareness.** Trophies were awarded to competition winners. Over 200 participants gained valuable knowledge and resources.





NOVEMBER 2023

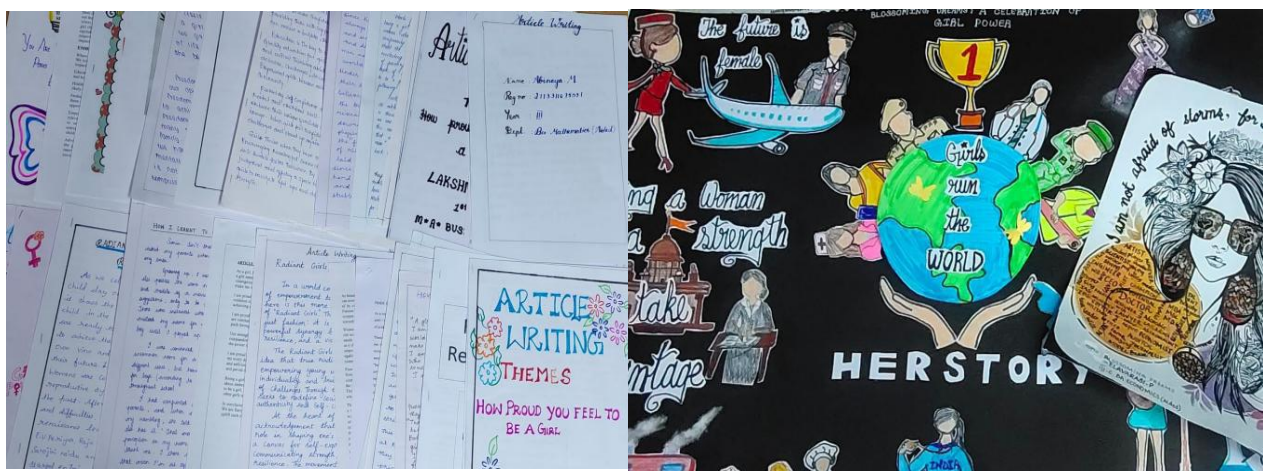
The Centre For Women's Studies along with Yuva Shakthi organised a Transformative Outreach Programme titled “**Personality Development and Insightful Awareness**” event at Presidency Girls Higher Secondary School in Egmore. The event featured a **Music Fusion, Street Play, and Dance**. Around 200 schoolgirls benefited from the program.



JANUARY 2024

The Centre for Women's Studies, in collaboration with IQAC, organised Interdepartmental Competitions to commemorate **National Girl Child Day**. The event included **Poster Making and Article Writing** competitions, attracting 59 students from various disciplines.

The **Advisory Board** was formed and the committee proposed impactful initiatives, including awareness programs, practical exposure, skill-based training, and collaboration with the University of Madras. The committee's recommendations reflect their dedication to holistic development and societal awareness.



FEBRUARY 2024

The Centre for Women's Studies at Ethiraj College for Women hosted lectures on **Women and Economy, Gender Studies and Women and Health, Women in Media** etc, in shaping gender identities and opportunities. The lecture focused on the influence of family, education, religion, and media on gender roles and expectations. The event also included a discussion on general elections and union government.

MARCH 2024

The International Conference on *Women as a Catalyst for Sustainable Development*, organised by the Centre for Women's Studies and the International Centre of the University of Madras (ICOM), marked a significant milestone in celebrating 75 years of women's empowerment, aptly coinciding with International Women's Day. The conference honoured eminent alumni and explored the vital role of women in achieving sustainability. Distinguished speakers from around the globe shared their insights on key themes including Women's Policies, Higher Education Inclusion, Gender Budgeting, and Empowerment. Over 3,000 students actively participated, reflecting a strong commitment to building a sustainable society. A key academic highlight of the event was the official release of the **conference**

proceedings, capturing the scholarly contributions and outcomes of the conference. A special moment of pride was the presence of the renowned **Padmashri Dr. Padma Subrahmanyam**, our esteemed alumna, who was also honoured with an award in recognition of her outstanding contributions to arts and culture. Her inspiring presence added grace and depth to the celebration.

