



## राष्ट्रीय गतिशील दिव्यांगजन संस्थान

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## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC REHABILITATION

### REPORT

### ON

### CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY - 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024

### THEME: "Invest in Women: Accelerate Progress"

International Women's Day (IWD) is a globally celebrated programme on March 8<sup>th</sup> of every year to commemorate the cultural, political, and socioeconomic achievements of women. The 1<sup>st</sup> international women's day was celebrated by the United Nations in 1975. Every year a theme is given to mark the celebrations and gender rights advocacy work.

For 2024, the UN given theme is "Invest in Women: Accelerate Progress", which aims to Achieving gender equality and women's wellbeing in all aspects of life is more crucial than ever if we want to create prosperous economies and a healthy planet.

National Institute for Locomotor Disabilities (Divyangjan), Kolkata has celebrated the International Women's Day on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 at the NILD auditorium. The Programme was inaugurated with lightening of lamp by Dr. Lalit Narayan, Director, NILD in presence of dignitaries Shri Sougata Banerjee, Dy. Director (Admin), Mrs. Rupali Sen, Associate Professor & HoD, Department of Occupational Therapy, Dr. A. Equebal, Assistant Director (Trg.) and Shri. Pravin Kumar, Asst. Professor & HoD, Department of Physiotherapy and also Guest speakers namely Dr. Debabrata Das, Assistance Professor, Department of English, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata and Dr. Payel Rai Chowdhury Dutt, Assistance Professor, Department of Human Rights and Human Development, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata.



Lamp lighting by Dais Members



Welcome addressed by  
Programme Coordinator



Inaugural song by PGDDRM  
students

Dr. Lalit Narayan, Director, NILD has delivered a motivational speech towards women employees/participants on the occasion of celebration of International Women’s Day. Shri Sougata Banerjee (DDA) delivered the speech on adroit person for their contribution for uplifting women in our century old backdated society. Mrs. Rupali Sen, Associate Professor & HoD, Dept of Occupational Therapy delivered the speech on “Self-Empowerment and Contribution in Our Society”. Dr. Ameer Equebal, Asst. Director (Trg.) delivered the speech on “Self-Empowerment and Society benefits when women are treated with respect and are not treated as second class citizens”. Shri Praveen Kumar, HoD, Dept of Physiotherapy gave speech about the empowerment of woman rights.

Chief Guest of the programme Dr. Debabrata Das, Asst. Professor, Department of English, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata has delivered a speech on the importance of Women Empowerment in India: Scope & Challenges” and other guest speaker Dr. Payal Rai Chowdhury Dutt has presented on the topic of woman empowerment, rights and legislation. We are pleased to give some token of love to especially abled woman and all staff members of this institute for their dedication of the service.



**Speech Delivered by Honorable Guest  
Dr. Debabrata Das, Department of  
English,RBU)**



**Speech Delivered by Dr. Payal Rai Chowdhury  
Dutt (Co-ordinator, Department of Human  
Rights and Human Development, RBU)**



**Speech Delivered by Mrs. Rupali Sen  
(Associate Professor & HOD, O.T Dept)**



**Speech Delivered by Dr. Ameer Equebal  
AD(T)**



**Felicitated by Director and DDA to Specially abled woman's Staff of NILD**



**Cultural Programme by Staff Members and Students of NILD**

In this Occasion a Cultural Programme has been conducted and many of the staff members, students of NILD participated for that. It was interesting to know that boys also participated in this programme. Total No of 88 staff members and students attended the programme very enthusiastically.



The event was successfully Co-ordinated by Ms. Rinki Das (Programme Assistant of PGDDRM). She spoke about ‘The Benefits of Gender Equality in Society’ on this special occasion. This day brings many things for woman- a cause for celebration, a reason to pause and re-evaluate, a remembrance, an inspiration and a time to honour, love and admire. The programme was concluded with Vote of thanks.