Special awards, recognitions, or incentive programs at Chitkara University that celebrate or acknowledge the contributions of **women in STEM / women more broadly**.

1. Lady Ada Competition (2024): The 'Lady Ada 2024' competition not only provided a platform to recognise and reward young women technologists but also served as a significant step toward bridging gender gaps in the technology sector. By encouraging participation from women in STEM, the event aimed to inspire a new generation of innovators and leaders in technology, honouring the legacy of Ada Lovelace, one of history's first computer programmers. This event was jointly organised by the Centre for Research Impact and Outcome (CRIO) at Chitkara University and ACM-W-India, aimed to promote excellence and innovation among women in technology. The event saw enthusiastic participation from budding technologists across India, underscoring the importance of nurturing talent and fostering a culture of inclusivity in STEM fields. Organisers from CRIO and ACM-W-India emphasised the competition's role in creating opportunities for women to excel in technology while addressing global challenges through innovation and collaboration. Gouri Sharma, a B. Tech Computer Science Engineering student from Chitkara University, emerged as the winner of the prestigious 'Lady Ada 2024′ competition. Expressing her gratitude, Gouri Sharma stated, "Winning the 'Lady Ada 2024' competition has been an incredible experience. This platform has not only allowed me to showcase my skills but also reinforced my belief in the transformative power of technology. I am deeply thankful to Chitkara University and ACM-W-India for providing such an inspiring platform." The achievement reaffirms Chitkara University's commitment to fostering talent and empowering students, particularly women, to excel in the ever-evolving world of technology. As the university continues to champion innovation and inclusivity, its students set benchmarks in various domains, contributing to a brighter, more diverse future for STEM industries.



2. Trailblazers Supporting Womanhood Award: Nominations invited from all persons associated with Chitkara University who have made significant contributions in "upliftment of Women" or "supporting

Womanhood." Gives recognition. Likely a ceremony, certificate or award, celebration of service, leadership, breaking stereotypes etc. Helps bring visibility. Instituted by the University, the award is a recognition for all Chitkara Fraternity across the nation and globe who have proved themselves in their domain areas through diligent efforts and invincible potential. The purpose is to reflect on the efforts and contributions made by Chitkarian's across the World to create positive change in the world supporting Womanhood and talk about the changes that still need to be made. We will celebrate "Trailblazers supporting Womanhood" in different walks of life who shattered the glass ceilings, broke stereotypes, braved uncomfortable conversations and paved the way for those yet to come with gentle nudges.



3. Greenpreneur Award (2021): Dr. Charu Khosla, Founder of BB OORJA Pvt. Ltd., a startup incubated at Chitkara University, has been honored for her innovative work in sustainable energy. Her venture promotes clean, green fuel through agro-waste management, offering a smokeless cooking stove designed for households and hotels. On receiving the award, Dr. Charu expressed gratitude, saying, *"I am thankful for receiving this honour. I am also thankful to Chitkara University for giving me the right wings and the right platform."* The award was highly competitive, with nominations from leading industries across Punjab. Dr. Madhu Chitkara, Pro Chancellor, remarked, *"Chitkara University has a vision to support entrepreneurship and innovation... We proudly congratulate Dr. Charu Khosla on this brilliant accomplishment."*

4. Women Entrepreneurship Development Programme (W-EDP):

W-EDP aims to empower budding and existing women entrepreneurs who want to start, run and grow their business and to create conducive conditions for inclusive, resilient and sustainable economies. It does so by addressing gendered imbalances in enterprise development in order to scale women entrepreneurs' contributions to growth and sustainable development and to enable their meaningful participation in entrepreneurship ecosystem. WEDP provide inputs on process and practice of entrepreneurship development, communication and inter-personal skills, creativity, problem solving, achievement motivation, resources available and all aspects of entrepreneurship.

Unlock the force within you with WEDP, a transformative program designed exclusively for women forging their path in entrepreneurship. Join a community of trailblazers, equipped with skills and insights to conquer the entrepreneurial landscape.

Programme Objectives: Women Entrepreneurship Development Programme (WEDP) aims at training the science & technology graduates and diploma holders in the essentials of conceiving, planning, initiating and launching an economic activity or an enterprise successfully.

Entrepreneurial Mastery Curriculum: Crafting Success from Concept to Reality: Ideation Brilliance: Unleash your creativity with cutting-edge idea generation techniques, setting the stage for groundbreaking entrepreneurial concepts.

Idea Incubation Lab: Identify and nurture your business ideas through a hands-on process that transforms ideas into viable and sustainable ventures.

Market Insight Immersion: Dive deep into market research and idea validation, gaining the skills to navigate and thrive in competitive business landscapes.

Business Model Innovation: Design robust and forward-thinking business models that form the backbone of successful entrepreneurial ventures.

Government Support Demystified: Explore and leverage government schemes tailored for women entrepreneurs, unlocking hidden opportunities for growth.

Motivation for Success: Harness the power of achievement motivation to propel your entrepreneurial journey forward, overcoming challenges with resilience.

Plan for Triumph: Develop a comprehensive business plan, a strategic roadmap that transforms your ideas into tangible and successful ventures.

Legal Foundations & Fiscal Wisdom: Navigate legal formalities and taxation with confidence, ensuring your business operates seamlessly within regulatory frameworks.

Program Excellence Highlights: Guidance by Industry Pioneers: Learn from the expertise of local institutions, seasoned entrepreneurs, and mentors dedicated to empowering women in business.

Immersive Learning Experience: Engage in a 3-week online program featuring interactive sessions, workshops, and collaborative group projects for practical learning.

Real-world Application Mastery: Translate theory into practice by immersing yourself in workshops and projects that mirror real entrepreneurial challenges.

Networking beyond Boundaries: Connect with mentors, investors, and industry experts, expanding your entrepreneurial network and opening doors to collaboration.

Certification of Distinction: Earn a valuable certificate of completion, validating your newfound entrepreneurial skills and enhancing your profile.

Leadership & Team Building Excellence: Acquire leadership insights and team-building skills critical for steering your venture and fostering a collaborative work environment.

Financial Acumen Enhancement: Elevate your financial management skills for effective budgeting, funding strategies, and risk mitigation, ensuring fiscal brilliance in your entrepreneurial journey.

https://www.chitkara.edu.in/ciif/wedp.php

5. Innovation Contest for Women in STEM ("Women in Science under Mission Innovation Punjab"): Innovation Contests for WOMEN in STEM on National Science Day: WOMEN in SCIENCE under MISSION INNOVATION PUNJAB was organized by Chitkara University Research & Innovation Network (CURIN) in association with Punjab State Council for Science & Technology and NEW GEN IEDC. Eighteen selected Women Contestants presented their ideas in final round in front of external jury members. Jury members from reputed institute Professor Sunita Kapila (former Chairperson of Department of Botany, Panjab University, Chandigarh), Sonia Dosanjh (Joint Director, C-DAC, Mohali) and Dr. Vijay Luxmi (Associate Professor, Thapar University, Patiala) appreciated the innovative ideas of all the contestants.

Magnetically separable nano-material and rice husk based water purification lead by Dr. Meenakshi Dhiman & team got 1st position and was awarded a cash prize of INR5000. Dr. Shivani Malhotra & team secured second position with INR 3000 for her innovative idea on SHE- Suvidha and Ms. Himanshi Babbar & her team got a cash prize of INR2000 for an idea on Emergency in Transit. Earlier convener

Prof. Jyotsna Kaushal and co convener Dr Shalli briefed the achievements of our Indian Women scientists, engineers, Innovators & entrepreneur. Dr Jyotsna thanked govt. bodies PSCST, NCSTC, DST & GOVT OF INDIA for catalysing & supporting this event. She also thanks to Chitkara university management, Dr Archana Mantri Pro VC (CURIN), Dr SN Panda (Director Research), Dr Sachin Ahuja (Director Patent cell), Dr Pankaj (Dean Ph.D program) and all the CURIN members for their support. Earlier in the morning, event was inaugurated with tree plantation.



https://newgeniedc.chitkara.edu.in/events/innovation-contest-for-women-in-stem/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

6. Women Entrepreneur of the Year' Award (Alumni): Founder of Chitkara's incubated EdTech startup Dr. Neha Tuli, felicitated with STPI's Women Entrepreneur of the year award at TIECON 2022. Dr. Neha Tuli, Founder of 6DOF Solutions Pvt. Ltd. (an EdTech startup) incubated by Chitkara University, Punjab, was honoured with the prestigious 'Women Entrepreneur of the year' award by Software Technology Parks of India, Mohali & TIECON 2022 at its Annual STPI Awards 2022 . TIECON is the world's largest technology conference designed by Silicon Valley leaders for entrepreneurs, corporate executives, and investors. The award was presented by Mr. Arvind Aggarwal, Director General STPI, Mr. Jitin Talwar, President TIE Chandigarh and other dignitaries. 6DOF Solutions Pvt. Ltd. founded by Dr. Neha Tuli and Mr. Shivam Sharma (both alumni of and currently serving at Chitkara University) provides immersive tech

solutions for the EdTech industry using technologies like Augmented Reality and Virtual Reality. Neha has won many accolades in the past too for her innovative products through her start-up. She was the runner up in TIE Women Global Pitch Competition – 2021, recognised in Startup India Innovation Week, 2022 & won first prize at IIT Bhubaneswar Hackathon on AR/VR. Her startup is supported by Chitkara Innovation Incubation Foundation (CIIF) with a MEITY TIDE 2.0 grant support of INR 7 lakhs.



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A TALK ON WOMEN WELLNESS

20th November 2024

Event Name	A talk on Women's Wellness
Venue	Einstein Hall
Date	20th November, 2024
SDG Number, Name and NEP	3-Good Health and Well Being, 4-Quality Education 5-Gender Equality and NEP: - 1
Organized By	National Service Scheme, Chitkara University, Punjab
Resource Person	Dr. Pooja Mehta, MBBS, MD (Obs & Gynae), Head of Department Fortis Bloom IVF Centre, Fortis Hospital Mohali
Number of Participants	119
Duration	One Day

Objectives:

1. To raise awareness about crucial aspects of women's health, including sexual health and mental well-being.
2. To provide practical knowledge that empowers women to prioritize their wellness.
3. To encourage open dialogue on often overlooked health issues and foster an informed approach to wellness.

"Empowered women empower societies."

With this powerful sentiment as a guiding principle, the **National Service Scheme, Chitkara University, Punjab,** hosted an enriching session dedicated to **Women's Wellness.** This thoughtfully curated event addressed the multifaceted aspects of women's health, emphasizing the need for awareness, self-care, and open conversations.

The spotlight of the day was on **Dr. Pooja Mehta, Head of Department at Fortis Bloom IVF Centre, Mohali,** whose deep expertise and empathetic approach transformed complex topics into relatable, practical advice. Covering critical subjects like **sexual health, mental well-being, and overall wellness**, Dr. Mehta's session was far more than a lecture; it was a dialogue that deeply impacted every participant. Her candid delivery and real-life examples broke barriers, making even the most sensitive topics

approachable and understandable. One of the most compelling aspects of the session was its interactive nature. The **Q&A segment** turned into a platform for open, honest discussions; an opportunity for participants to voice concerns often left unspoken. Dr. Mehta's thoughtful responses provided valuable clarity and insight, creating an environment of trust and mutual respect. Attendees were encouraged to confront myths, ask questions without hesitation, and reflect on their own health journeys with a new perspective. The atmosphere in the room was one of connection and empowerment. Each topic was addressed not just from a medical standpoint but with a holistic view that considered emotional and psychological dimensions. Dr. Mehta emphasized that wellness is not a luxury but a necessity, urging women to prioritize their health proactively rather than reactively.

What set this session apart was its genuine, impactful message: women's health is a cornerstone of societal well-being. By equipping participants with practical knowledge and fostering an open dialogue, the event went beyond raising awareness, it ignited a sense of responsibility and self-advocacy. Attendees left with more than just information; they carried with them a renewed commitment to their own health and a deeper understanding of wellness in all its forms.

In a world where women's health issues are often overlooked or stigmatized, this initiative stood as a symbol of progress. It was not just a session but a step toward building a more informed, empowered community—one where wellness is recognized, respected, and prioritized.

Outcomes:

1. Increased awareness among participants about essential aspects of women's health.
2. Empowerment through practical insights that promote self-care and well-being.
3. Encouraged open discussions on sensitive health issues, creating a more supportive environment for women's wellness.



Dr. Pooja Mehta Head of Department at Fortis Bloom IVF Centre, Mohali down key aspects of women's health with practical insights



A session of clarity and compassion, Dr. Mehta promotes lasting well-being



Ready to redefine their health, every woman in the room was inspired



Celebrating Dr. Mehta's lasting impact on women's wellness and self-care



Felicitating the esteemed guest for their presence and support



Strength in solidarity, women committed to a healthier future

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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

3rd September 2025

Event Name	INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY
Venue	Exploretorium
Date	2025-03-08
SDG Number, Name and NEP	SDG 3: GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING, SDG 4: QUALITY EDUCATION, SDG 5: GENDER EQUALITY, SDG 17: PARTNERSHIP FOR THE GOALS
Organized By	DR. NEELAM VERMA
Resource Person	MS. HARPRIYA BAINS, STAND UP COMEDIAN
Number of Participants	89

OBJECTIVE:

1. To educate students about the fundamental rights of women and promote awareness of legal safeguards and gender justice.

2. To encourage inclusive dialogue that challenges gender stereotypes and advocates for equal opportunities in education, leadership, and society.

3. To provide a platform for sharing stories of strength, resilience, and achievement that inspire students to lead with confidence and purpose

DESCRIPTION:

On the sunlit morning of 8th March 2025, Chitkara University, Punjab, awakened to a celebration that was more than just a commemoration—it was a testament to the indomitable spirit of women. The day unfolded into a rich tapestry of talent, strength, and creativity, led by the Office of Student Affairs, weaving together an unforgettable experience. The Sportorium Road transformed into a vibrant marketplace with "Aakarshan- Bhaiya Thik Thik Laga Lo," a lively exhibition featuring Kashmiri shawls, resin art, scented candles, clay pottery, bags, accessories, herbal products, nail art, and artificial jewellery. Women walked amidst the colourful canopies, exploring handcrafted treasures that resonated with the beauty of self-expression. Two food stalls added warmth to the occasion, where conversations over shared meals strengthened bonds. But the day wasn't just about admiration—it was about action. The air in the Sportorium turned electric with "Aa Dekhe Zara- Kisme Kitna Hai Dum," where participants battled it out

in Pickleball, Badminton, Table Soccer, and Dart. The competitive energy only grew as the morning flowed into the "Dance Pe Chance" Zumba session, where music dictated movement and joy danced freely. The heart of the celebration pulsed within the Exploretorium, where the theme "Nayika: Parde Se Pare" unfolded in all its brilliance. The stage sparkled with "Filmy Phuljhadi," turning Bollywood parodies into waves of laughter, while "Hunar Husan Ka" turned the art of makeup into a blindfolded comedy of errors. "Geet Paheli" tested the sharpest musical minds, and "Suron Mein Cinema" brought theatrics to melody. The laughter continued with "Haste Haste Kat Jaye Raaste" and "Mere Samne Wali Khidki Mein," where playful chaos ruled the moment. Then came a moment of reflection. The audience sat in rapt silence as two powerful video presentations—"Her Voice, Her Power: Nayi Disha Mein Nari Shakti" and "Her Legacy, Our Pride: Uski Pehchaan Ko Samman"—paid homage to the resilience and achievements of women across generations. As the afternoon arrived, the ramp became a runway of self-assurance with "Glamour Ki Gali," where participants strutted with elegance, confidence, and authenticity. Their presence on the stage was more than fashion; it was a declaration of strength, individuality, and pride. The winners of the day—across sports, cultural events, and the ramp walk—were felicitated by Hon'ble Pro-Chancellor Dr. Madhu Chitkara Ma'am and the distinguished judges, Col. (Dr.) Rakesh Sharma, Registrar; Mr. Harpreet Bhatia, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Human Resources; and Dr. Amit Mittal, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Research. Their victories were more than just accolades; they were triumphs of spirit and determination. And then, the evening burst into laughter as stand-up comedian Harpriya Bains took the stage. With her sharp wit and effortless storytelling, she held a mirror to life's absurdities, wrapping up the day on a note of unfiltered joy. This was not just a celebration. It was a declaration. A reminder that women are not just breaking barriers—they are rewriting the narrative, standing tall, and rising beyond the frame. The day wasn't about limitations but about infinite potential, a tribute to every woman determined to rise.

OUTCOMES:

1. Interactive sessions and expert talks empowered students with knowledge on gender laws, equality, and the importance of asserting one's rights.

2. Students actively participated in discussions, performances, and open mics, expressing their views on gender equality and social change.

3. The celebration fostered an environment where diversity was embraced, and equality and empowerment were positioned as shared responsibilities.



Harpriya Bains with her sharp wit and effortless storytelling, held a mirror to life's absurdities (08.03.2025)



With rackets raised and spirits higher, players dive into an energetic round of badminton as the crowd cheers them on (08.03.2025)



Laughter and movement fill the air as participants jump into the Zumba session during “Dance Pe Chance.” (08.03.2025)



The Exploratorium audience gathers with excitement as Honourable Dr. Madhu Chitkara sets the tone for a day dedicated to womanhood and expression (08.03.2025)



Performers pose mid-act during the comic showdown, embodying playful exaggeration and satirical charm (08.03.2025)



With comedic timing and over-the-top drama, faculty members bring Filmy Phuljhadi to life through hilarious Bollywood parodies (08.03.2025)

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ACTIVITY REPORT

Name of the activity: National Girl Child Day	**Date:** 24-01-2023
Name of the Moderator Chitkara College of Pharmacy	**Name of the activity:** National Girl Child Day
Venue: Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Jhansla	**Mode:** Offline
Name of the Resource Person: Department of National Service Scheme, Chitkara University, Punjab	**Number of participated:** 39

Description of Event: -

"Without a *girl child* in your family, you cannot have prosperity, happiness, and glory. Always respect her and care for her."

With the above notion in mind, **Department of Computer Applications** under the aegis of National Service Scheme, **NSS**, Chitkara University, Punjab celebrated **National Girl Child Day** on **24th Jan 2023** wherein NSS volunteers of the Department of Computer Applications performed Nukkad Naatak (Street Play).National Girl Child Day is observed every year in India on January 24 to promote awareness about the rights of a girl child and to promote the importance of their education, health, and nutrition. To mark the occasion this year too, Department of Computer Applications NSS volunteers. organized Nukkad Naatak at different areas within the campus. The main theme of Nukkad Naatak was to spread awareness campaign on women's rights, and mass oaths for girl child protection. Students expressed their feelings though slogans and emphasized how to tackle the issues of inequalities that girls face in the country and enlighten everyone about the rights of a girl child. The main aim of Nukkad Naatak was to portray and to support every girl child in the country and remove gender biases. Chitkara Business School celebrated Girl Child Day with immense zeal and zest on 25th January 2023. Girl Child Day is observed every year on 24th January with the aim of empowering women, providing more opportunity for girls, and increasing the awareness of gender inequality in society. To honour the occasion a radio talk was organized by Chitkara Business School at 4.30 PM on Chitkara FM 107.8 (community radio). A panel of four discussed about the

relevance of girl child day and other problems and hurdles faced by girls in India. The panel also advised certain ways to reduce that gender inequality and empowering girl children.



Students of Govt. Smart School, Jhansla being sensitized towards educating the girl child (24th January 2023)

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ACTIVITY REPORT

Name of the activity: Expert talk International Women's Day 2023: Women Driving Innovation & Technology	**Date:** 16-03-2023
Name of the Moderator: Department of Nursing	**Venue:** Pulitzer Hall, Picasso Block,
Name of the Resource Person: Dr. Amanpreet Kaur, Assistant Professor (Research), CURIN, Chitkara University, Punjab	**Mode:** Offline
Number of participated: 114	**SDG No.:** 5

Bringing women and other marginalized groups to use technology results in more creative solutions and has greater potential for innovations that meet women's needs and promote gender equality. Department of Nursing, Chitkara School of Health Sciences, Chitkara University, Punjab has celebrated International Women's Day 2023 and organized a session on "From Experience to Empowerment: Women Driving Innovation & Technology" dated 16th March 2023.The theme of this year's women's day is "DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality". The resource person for the session was Dr. Amanpreet Kaur, Assistant Professor, Chitkara University Research and Innovation Network, Chitkara University, Punjab. The aim of the session was to recognize and acknowledge the women and girls who are "championing the advancement of transformative technology and digital education". Student of B.Sc. Nursing 2nd Semester & B.Sc. Nursing 4th Semester attended this session. It is also geared towards examining the impact of digital gender gap on economic and social inequalities while highlighting the need to protect the rights of women in digital spaces.



Session on Women Driving Innovation & Technology (16th March, 2023)



Group photo of participant who attended Session on International Women's Day

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ACTIVITY REPORT

Name of the activity: Women in Corporate: A Gender Sensitization Talk	**Date:** 05-04-2023
Name of the Moderator: Electrical Engineering	**Venue:** Pierre Hall
Name of the Resource Person: Ms. Indra Prem Menon Chairwomen & Managing Director, Senapathy Whiteley	**Mode:** Offline
Number of participated: 52	**SDG No.:** 5

A gender sensitization talk on "Women in Corporate" was organised by Department of Electrical Engineering, CUIET: Applied Engineering on 05.04.2023. Ms Indra Prem Menon, Chairwomen & Managing Director, Senapathy Whiteley was the speaker for this talk. She laid stress how family life cannot hamper corporate success for female's and how you can overcome all challenges. She also provided insight about government policies which as inspiring corporate to hire female staff and helping them in setting up new startups. The event ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Arrik Khanna, Assistant Dean, DEE.

Outcomes:

1. Students had first-hand experience, how corporate work and its challenging for women to succeed in career.

2. Female staff and girl students understood how to manage family and corporate and yet succeed in both.

3. Students realised you can overcome all challenges even if stream of education of graduated in different from current company or role.

4. Students need to have atleast one hobby which they can pursue to relieve from work

pressure and enjoy life.



Students and Staff during session



Group photograph

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ACTIVITY REPORT

Name of the activity: Women empowerment-Pathways towards autonomy 2022
Name of the Moderator: Electronics and Communication Engineering
Name of the Resource Person: Ms. Indra Prem Menon Chairwomen & Managing Director, Senapathy Whiteley
Date: 05-05-2023

Description of Event:

Women deserve to live and work with respect, safety and dignity.

"**Harassment is never Okay".**

Sexual harassment of women at home or workplace is humiliating and hinder her personal growth. The human rights strive to ensure that women are able to live free from discrimination. ICC in association with department of electronics & communication engineering organises a webinar to enlighten the women on the legal rights and pathways for available channel for redressal of her grievances.

2. Objectives of the Webinar

- To educate women about what constitutes sexual harassment.
- To spread awareness about the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013.
- To inform participants about their legal rights and protections under Indian law.
- To introduce the role of ICC in educational institutions.
- To discuss safe reporting mechanisms and support systems.
- To empower women to stand against discrimination and harassment.



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ACTIVITY REPORT

Name of the activity: "Seminar on opportunities for girls in retail sector"
Name of the Moderator: Chitkara College of Sales & Marketing
Name of the Resource Person: Ms. Shikha Scott | Visual Merchandising Manager | Forever New Clothing.
Date: 05-05-2023

Description: We are living in 21st century and there is no field, specifically in employment field in business, where we have no such example of women, not competing or incapable of competing with men. There was time, sales and marketing once used to be perceived for men only. But for the past many years, women are also taking sales as career and achieving success.

To further motivate and join sales job in retail sector, Chitkara College of Sales & Marketing organized online session for CCSM students with Ms.Shikha Scott, Visual Merchandising Manager in retail sector. Ms. Shikha explained about retail sector career and advancement opportunities, especially for girls. She shared her experience as how she competed in men's world and was successful. She encouraged girl students to join sales in retail sector and set example of gender equality.



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ACTIVITY REPORT

Event	Celebration of GIRL CHILD Day
Date	11-12, October 2021
No of participants	10+

"A Girl Child Who Is Even A Little Bit Educated Is More Conscious of Family Planning, Health Care and, In Turn, Her Children's Own Education"

There's immense pride in being a girl- honour, pride, sacrifice and integrity. It comes with hope and a heart to change and to transform.

CHITKARA BUSINESS SCHOOL BBA/B.com department, celebrated the occasion of International Girl Child Day with immense zeal and zest on October 12, 2021. The vision as quoted was "my voice, our equal future" symbolized the changing dynamics all around the world in terms of freedom and rights transformed over decades to achieve liberty.

International Girl Child Day or International Day of the Girl Child is observed every year on October 11 with the aim of empowering women, providing more opportunity for girls, and increasing the awareness of gender inequality in society.

To honor the occasion students showcased their creativity and concern by means of poster making and act of distributing gifts to underprivileged girls. As an expression of art and act of human kindness students shared their work to motivate and inspire their peers. There was an active participation in favor of the cause and each section had a contribution of more than 10 students. The vision of the activity was to empower the happiness, glory and smiles on the faces of all the girls and to ensure that they have access to quality education and a dignified life. This day focuses attention on the need to address the challenges girls face and to promote empowerment and the fulfillment of their human rights.

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ACTIVITY REPORT

Event	Women's Equality Day
Date	26-08-2020
Organised by	Chitkara School of Mass Communication
No of participants	10+

I measure the progress of a commentary by the degree of progress which women have achieved- Dr B.R. Ambedkar Radio Chitkara celebrated 100th anniversary of Women's Equality Day by organising a Talk Show to encourage and spread awareness about women's empowerment which is hosted by Ms Gurjeet Kaur. The day is observed primarily in the United States on August 26 to commemorate American women getting the constitution Right to Vote. The 19th amendment to the US constitution was adopted in 1920. Women's Equality Day was first marked in 1972.



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ACTIVITY REPORT

Event	Video Making Contest on Women's Equality Day
Date	26-08-2020
Organised by	Department of Nursing
No of participants	10+

At the behest of Rep. Bella Abzug (D-NY), in 1971 and passed in 1973, the U.S. Congress designated August 26 as "Women's Equality Day." The date was selected to commemorate the 1920 certification of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, granting women the right to vote. This was the culmination of a massive, peaceful civil rights movement by women that had its formal beginnings in 1848 at the world's first women's rights convention, in Seneca Falls, New York. The observance of Women's Equality Day not only commemorates the passage of the 19th Amendment, but also calls attention to women's continuing efforts toward full equality. Workplaces, libraries, organizations, and public facilities now participate with Women's Equality Day programs, displays, video showings, or other activities. In order to empower the women Student Nurses Association a unit of Department of Nursing organized Video making contest activity on the topic of **'Women's Equality'** on 26th August 2020.Total 13 Students from B.Sc. Nursing participated in the activity. The entire participant awarded with E-certificates. Women's Equality Day is now often observed across the world to encourage and spread awareness about women's empowerment. On this day, the National Organisation for Women (NOW) called women to demonstrate for equal rights for women and nationwide 'strike for equality'. Various demonstrators hung two 40-foot banners from the crown of the Statue of Liberty. Several women's organisations organise seminars, workshops to address the issues and problems faced by women in the country. On this day, in various schools and colleges, students are taught about the struggle and difficult journey that women faced to gain the right to vote. People visit museums that are dedicated to the struggle of women for gaining the right to vote.

This day is also celebrated by supporting bills that have an impact on women. Also, on this day, women can just register to vote which is the best way to celebrate Women's Equality Day.

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ACTIVITY REPORT

Event	Advancing Gender Equality through Innovation, Techniques and Creativity
Date	8th -12th March, 2025
Organised by	Department of Fine Arts
Resource Person	Anita Malik, Artist New Delhi; Rajshree Pawar, Artist, New Delhi; Sumitra Ahlawat, Artist, New Delhi; Ragini Sinha, Artist, Haryana; Renu Sangwan, Bharti Vandna, Mamta grag, Dr. Richa Dhanija; Mehdi Noor Akhter, Artist; Dr. Suryaasnata Mohnaty, Artist Bhubaneshwar

The intersection of art and social change is a powerful force in shaping perspectives and fostering inclusivity. Art serves as a transformative medium that not only captures cultural narratives but also challenges societal norms and advocates for progressive ideals. The role of creativity in advancing gender equality has gained significant recognition, leading to groundbreaking innovations in artistic expression, storytelling, and community engagement. This National Painting Workshop, organised by the Department of Fine Arts CDS in collaboration with Interior Design CSPA, Chitkara University, Punjab, aims to be a dynamic platform that brings together renowned artists, scholars, and creative professionals to explore the evolving relationship between art, gender, and innovation. The workshop will feature thought-provoking discussions, hands-on artistic sessions, and interactive engagements that delve into the influence of artistic techniques in driving social change. Participants will gain valuable insights into contemporary art practices, gender narratives in visual arts, and creative methodologies that contribute to a more inclusive society. Key focus areas will include gender representation in art, innovative painting techniques, cross-cultural artistic influences, and the role of creativity in social activism. The workshop will host engaging keynote sessions, expert-led discussions, and hands-on art sessions designed to foster meaningful dialogue and collaborative learning among artists, educators, and researchers. Attendees will also have the opportunity to participate in live demonstrations, experiential art activities, and skill-building sessions, gaining hands-on experience in advanced artistic techniques while exploring the role of creativity in shaping inclusive societies.

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ACTIVITY REPORT

Event	Empowering Future Leaders at Chitkara University on International Day of the Girl Child
Date	10th October, 2024

Description: Chitkara University, Punjab, celebrated the International Day of the Girl Child with an inspiring session focused on empowerment, resilience, and breaking societal barriers. The highlight of the event was an engaging and thought-provoking talk by Dr. Nayanika Singh, a distinguished expert with a PhD in Jungian psychology and a renowned advocate for mental wellness and personal growth.

Dr. Singh captivated the audience with her profound insights on the intersection of psychology, art, and mindfulness. She emphasised the importance of challenging societal norms and embracing personal strength to drive meaningful change. Her message underscored that true empowerment stems from understanding oneself and fostering a supportive, inclusive environment where everyone can thrive. Through relatable anecdotes and real-world examples, Dr. Singh encouraged students to push beyond perceived limitations and redefine success on their own terms.

The session gained momentum during the interactive Q&A segment, where students engaged with Dr. Singh on a wide range of topics, from overcoming self-doubt to navigating societal expectations. Her responses were insightful and encouraging, creating a space for open dialogue and reflection. The lively exchange highlighted the students' eagerness to explore complex issues and develop a more profound understanding of self-empowerment and collective responsibility.

Dr. Singh also stressed the importance of resilience and adaptability in today's fast-changing world. She highlighted that knowledge, when combined with self-awareness and empathy, becomes a powerful tool for shaping personal and professional success. Her words resonated strongly with the audience, leaving them motivated to take charge of their futures and contribute to a more equitable society.

The event concluded with a palpable sense of inspiration and purpose. Students left with renewed confidence, recognising their potential to be agents of change. The International Day of the Girl Child celebration at Chitkara University reinforced the institution's unwavering commitment to fostering equality, encouraging critical thinking, and empowering students to break barriers and create their own success stories.

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Event	Chitkara University Empowers Women Entrepreneurs on Women's Equality Day
Date	26th August, 2023

In observance of Women's Equality Day, Chitkara University, in collaboration with Trinjhan Chitkara Vocational Centre, organised a significant event aimed at fostering entrepreneurship among women from the university's adopted villages. The event, held at Explore Stars Hall in the Bloom Block, served as a platform for equipping women with the tools and knowledge needed to embark on entrepreneurial journeys. The highlight of the event was a session led by Dr. Piyush Garg, Vice President of the Centre for Entrepreneurship Education and Development (CEED) at Chitkara University. Dr. Garg shared practical insights into the world of start-ups, guiding participants through the intricacies of launching and sustaining a business. He provided valuable information on government schemes designed to support women entrepreneurs, offering essential resources and mentorship to help turn their aspirations into reality.

Throughout the session, participants gained a clearer understanding of the steps required to begin their entrepreneurial ventures. The atmosphere was one of learning and empowerment, as the women engaged with new ideas and explored opportunities that could lead to financial independence and self-reliance.

The event concluded with a ceremony recognising the accomplishments of women from Jhansla Skill Centre, who were awarded certificates and tokens of appreciation for their efforts. This recognition symbolised not only their achievements but also their potential for future success.

Chitkara University's commitment to empowering women through education and entrepreneurship was underscored by this event. It reflects the institution's broader vision of fostering inclusivity and providing opportunities for women to thrive in all areas of life. By equipping women with entrepreneurial skills, the university continues to support a future where equality and self-sufficiency are within reach for all.

