Tuljaram Chaturchand College, Baramati Report of One Day Webinar on **Gender Equality and Women Empowerment** 11/02/2021



Anekant Education Society's Tuljaram Chaturchand College, Baramati and Rashtriya Uchhatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) jointy organized one day webinar on "Gender Equality and Women Empowerment" on 11<sup>th</sup> February. In the first session, Dr. Geetali V.M , Editor, Miloon Saryajani magazine expressed her views on the topic "Super Woman ki Double Gulaam". She said that being a superwoman has led to dehumanization of women in general. In the process of becoming an 'ideal woman', women in 21<sup>st</sup> century have lost their own identity. Dr. Geetali stressed on the fact that the time has come to redefine the notion of feminity. Men and women should equally take responsibilities to carry out daily chores and domestic work in the house. Although women in 21<sup>st</sup> century are efficient and capable of multitasking, they are getting physically and mentally exhausted. By taking up all the responsibilities,a woman tries to be a 'superwoman' but loses her own identity of being human.

The second session was chaired by Mrs. Nandini Jadhav, social worker, Andhashraddha Nirmulan Samiti. She spoke on the topic "Women and Superstitions". She readily gave examples of how women fall prey to superstitions and credulous beliefs that are prevailing in society.Women have been treated inferior and secondary by the patriarchal forces since ages. Patriarchy has forced women to believe in such unjust practices. Ms. Jadhav concluded her speech and said that women should persist on developing a scientific approach towards life.

Prin. Chandrashekhar Murumkar was the President of this webinar. In his speech he expressed a dire need to develop scientific and rational approach in life. Teachers teach science but fail to encourage students to have a scientific outlook towards life. He also emphasized that women should become independent and highly educated to fight strongly against the patriarchy and orthodox mindset of society. Dr. Seema Naik-Gosavi, Vice- Principal, welcomed the guests and gave an introductory speech. This program was anchored by Dr. Megha Badve and Mrs. Sushma Sanghai. Dr. Ranjana Nemade proposed the Vote of Thanks. The programme got an overwhelming response as over 200 students , women, teachers and the non-teaching staff participated in it.

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