



Department of Tourism & Hospitality Management

Celebrates

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY, 2022

'GENDER EQUALITY TODAY FOR A SUSTAINABLE TOMORROW'



Tuesday, March 8, 2022

The department of Tourism and Hospitality Management, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi organised two days event(March 7 & 8) to mark the occasion of International Women's Day'22. The event was arranged over a virtual platform (Google Meet) from 11:30 onwards. The theme of the session was '*Gender equality today for a sustainable tomorrow*' in order to commemorate the cultural, political and socioeconomic achievement of women around the globe. The day marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. The session was graced by eminent speakers from the hospitality and tourism industry namely **Chef Aarthi Sampath**, restaurant consultant, food truck expert & TV Personality, New York and **Nidhi**

Bansal, Group CEO of City Explorers Pvt. Ltd. She leads India City Walks and India With Locals. All the faculty members, research scholars and students were the audience of the programme.

The session took its shape with the introduction of the theme of the International Women's day, 2022 "*Gender equality today for a sustainable tomorrow*" #breakthebias, followed by opening address of the speakers by **Dr. Aarti**. Further, the welcome address was facilitated by **Dr. Sarah Husain**, Head of the Department of Tourism and Hospitality Management who quoted Jamia Millia Islamia as an icon of women empowerment and leadership with Prof. (Dr.) Najma Akhtar, the first female VC of Jamia Millia Islamia whose vision is to get the university to have unequalled success in the arena of education fraternity. She embraced the occasion with the notion that we all can collectively forge equality of women and raise awareness against the biasness in the society.

The first speaker of the programme was **Chef Aarthi Sampath** who shared her journey from being a student to an entrepreneur and a TV Personality with the audience. She illustrated how her mere hobby of cooking became a passion for her. She illustrated that it is individual's hard work and perseverance which is going to pay off to be successful. Further, she added that failures should not dishearten an individual, one should embrace them as learnings and come out as stronger and more determined towards one's passion. She conveyed that one ought to accept challenges to go forward in life and career.

Next on the board was **Nidhi Bansal**. She apprised the audience that everyone needs to have support structures at home as well as at workplace to have that equilibrium to chase one's dreams. She discussed that in lieu of gender equality one should strive to build a harmonious eco system where each gender have their unique space to make this world a better place.

Next address was given by **Prof. Nimit Choudhary** who added that we can together break the bias and create equal spaces for both the genders in the society.

Further, in an alignment to empower womenfolk, to capacitate their much deserved space in the social fabric of India, the department organised a 'Declamation Competition' on March 7 over a virtual platform (Google Meet), with the theme 'Break The Bias'. The names of the winners of the '**Declamation Competition**' were announced by **Mohd. Mudassir Khan**.

The session was an utter source of inspiration and enlightenment for the audience. The session encouraged the students to dream, believe and to set a vision for themselves to get on to the next level in life and career. At the end, **Dr. Priya Singh** recited a meaningful self-composed poem and proposed her vote of thanks to the dignitaries so as to mark conclusion to the programme.

