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1. Prarthana Gupta (TE IT)
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Time & Place:

10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Seminar Hall

No. of Participations:

115 Participants

(An event hosted by Women Development Cell)

International Women's Day is observed to celebrate the success of women in all spheres of life. Celebrated on March 8 every year, International Women's Day also aims to highlight the difficulties and gender discrimination that a woman still has to face in society. The purpose behind celebrating this day is to promote peace with women's rights. While every day is a women's day, this particular day is marked to honor all the women and their achievements regardless of the divisions, whether national, ethnic, linguistic, cultural, economic or political. Time and again, women have proved their worth by excelling in every field and bringing pride. At XIE we celebrate International Women's day every year.

A grand celebration of women's day at Xavier Institute of engineering by the Women development cell took place on Saturday, 5th March at 10.30 am onwards in the Seminar hall on Second floor. The management, faculty, staff and girl students were present for this event. The event was hosted by WDC Student members, Ms. Michelle Macwan and Ms. Prarthana Gupta.

The Director of our Institute Rev. Fr. Dr. John Rose, Rev. Fr. Albert, Rev. Fr. Thomas Schwarz and Principal Dr. Y.D Venkatesh were present for the event and shared their views on the day of occasion.

The chief guest for the event was Dr. Asha Advani MO Welkarwadi Dispensary, Dr. Sachin Bansode AMO Welkarwadi Health Post and Dr. Dhananjay Sakpal Sir TB Department.

Our Alumna Ms. Radhika Nair was also a part of celebration and motivation to the current girl students.

WDC also arranged **Cancer awareness and medical health checkup camp** for poor and needy women from the society in association with Nirdhar Mahila Sahakari Sanstha Ltd. and Innerwheel club of Bombay Queen Necklace. The Eye, BP, ECG and complete body checkup was arranged in the Language Lab on ground floor.

WDC continued to give away the awards which includes 1000/- cash prize + Memento + certificate to the deserving girl students in the category of **Woman of intelligence (Winner is Michelle Macwan)**, **Woman of creativity (Winner is Lysandra D'Souza)**, From this year a new award is included as, **Woman of Research (Winner is Priya Harshe)**, and the award for **Best all-rounder girl student** from final year which includes 15000/- cash + memento + certificate (**Winner is Lincy Lois Brian**). For the awardee selection an online personal interview was arranged by WDC. **Prof. Smita Pawar** was awarded with the very first time conferred **Margrit Schwarz award** for her WDC initiative and leadership.

WDC also conducted competitions on the theme of '**Women Health**'. The **Winner of poster competition, Khushboo Chaudhari (1000/- cash + certificate)**, **Winner of poetry competition, Christel Mendon (1000/- cash + certificate)**, **Winner of Essay competition, Kritika Singh (1000/- cash + certificate)** are felicitated. Refreshments were distributed to all the attendees.

Girls showcased their talents in Singing, dancing, Poetry and Essay writing and Posters making.

Prayer dance was performed by Prachee Bhowmick, theme dance by Prarthana Gupta and Prachee Bhowmick, dance performance by Ms. Shrutika Bansode and a faculty performance by female staff members. Poetry was recited in Marathi by Miss. Khushboo Chaudhari and in English by Miss. Lysandra Dsouza. All girls and female of XIE enjoyed the celebration. The posters of competition, Essays and Poetry were exhibited in the hall.

It feels nice to have a day to celebrate the achievements of women. Thus, on this international women's day, XIE recognizes the significance of women in our lives and on society and inspire them for greater future achievements, as they can contribute equally to the home, society, and nation.

WDC Convener, Prof. Smita Pawar thanked everyone for their involvements to encourage all the females of XIE.

WELCOMING OF DIGNITARIES:





Celebration in Seminar Hall



Check up camp in Language Lab





Registration Desk for Women



EYE Checkup



BODY Checkup



BP Check up



TEAM: WDC



AWARDS & COMPETITION WINNERS:

