

## SBS University Celebrates International Women's Day: Empowering Women, Inspiring Change



Sardar Bhagwan Singh University celebrated International Women's Day with great enthusiasm, centering around the theme "Advita – Second to None." The event featured a thought-provoking panel discussion that brought together distinguished speakers from diverse fields to share insights on gender equality, empowerment, and the evolving role of women in society.

In his inaugural address, Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) J. Kumar reaffirmed the university's commitment to fostering gender equity. "International Women's Day is not just a celebration but a reminder that we must continue to advocate for equal opportunities for all. SBS University is proud to be a platform for such meaningful discussions," he stated.

On this special occasion, Dr. Gaurav Deep Singh, President, SBSU, extended his heartfelt greetings to the female faculty and staff of the university, acknowledging their dedication, resilience, and invaluable contributions to academia and institutional growth.

The highlight of the event was a panel discussion on the theme "The Changing Role of Women in Society: Breaking Barriers and Shaping the Future." The esteemed panelists included: Ms. Yukta Mishra, Deputy Secretary, Uttarakhand Information Commission, Ms. Mukta Mishra, Joint Director, Urban Development Directorate & Deputy Chief Electoral Officer, Uttarakhand, Capt. Sharmila Thapa, Former Army Officer and Capt. Kiran Pun, Former Army Officer

The discussion covered crucial topics such as breaking stereotypes, fostering workplace inclusivity, and the significance of mentorship for young women. Attendees had the opportunity to engage in an interactive Q&A session, seeking advice on career advancement, leadership, and personal development.

As a token of appreciation, all panelists were felicitated for their outstanding contributions in their respective fields. In addition, two female faculty members, Prof. Dr. Yogita Dobhal and Prof. Nithya Shanti, along with a dedicated non-teaching staff member, Mrs. Sudha Rawat, were honored for their exemplary service and contributions to the university. Moreover, Ms. Shivani Verma, B.Sc. MLT 3<sup>rd</sup> Year students was also received appreciation award for her contribution in NCC girl's battalion.

The event also saw the presence of distinguished guests, including Ms. Urmi Chaurasia (C.O.E), Capt.



Nalini Mahirishi, and esteemed faculty members.

Expressing gratitude on the occasion, Dr. Deepa Mishra Thapliyal commended the efforts of the organizers, faculty, and participants for making the event a grand success. The celebration reaffirmed SBS University's unwavering commitment to creating a progressive and inclusive academic environment.

With an aim to continue the momentum, the university plans to host more interactive discussions, leadership programs, and mentorship initiatives to empower women across various fields.

