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Online Seminar

On

EMPOWERING WOMEN IN SCIENCE: CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS

AS A PART OF THE

Department of Chemistry al University, Lucknow Global Women's Breakfast (GWB 2025)

(Theme: Accelerating Equity in Science)



11 February, 2025 3:00 P.M. Onwards



PLATFORM (Google Meet)

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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Honorary professor Department of Applied Sciences Indian Institute of Information Technology Allahabad

Dr. Ritu Trivedi

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Dr. Rachana Kumar

Principal Scientist & Associate Professor (AcSIR) Analytical Chemistry Division CSIR-Indian Institute of Toxicology Research Lucknow

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Dr. Tripti Ahuja

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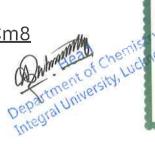
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Invitation to Online Seminar – Empowering Women in Science: Challenges and Prospects 2 messages

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Wed, Feb 5, 2025 at 11:59 AM

Dear Colleagues,

Greetings!

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to attend an Online Seminar on "Empowering Women in Science: Challenges and Prospects", jointly organized by the Department of Chemistry, Integral University, the Department of Applied Science, Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad, and the Association of Chemistry Teachers on February 11, 2025, at 3:00 PM onwards.

This seminar is being held in celebration of the Global Women's Breakfast 2025, under the theme "Accelerating Equity in Science." It aims to bring together some of the most accomplished women scientists who will share their experiences and insights, inspiring young minds to recognize and appreciate the invaluable contributions of women in science.

Keynote Speakers:

- Professor Krishna Mishra Honorary Professor, Department of Applied Science, IIIT Allahabad
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We look forward to your participation in this enlightening discussion as we work together to promote **gender equity and inclusivity in science**.

Warm regards,

Professor Abdul Rahman Khan Dean, Faculty of Science & Head, Department of Chemistry Integral University, Lucknow

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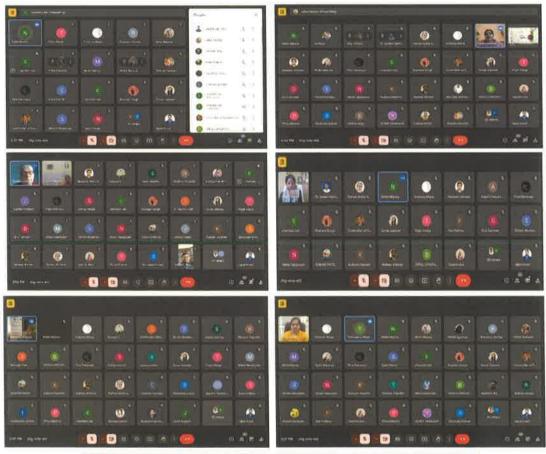
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Details in a nutshell:

Ī	Total Participants	Outside	In-house
	165	97 (Faculty=12, Students=85)	68 (Faculty=20, Students=48)

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❖ Inaugural session

The seminar began with the welcome address of Dean, Faculty of Science, Head Department of Chemistry, Integral University and the convenor of the seminar Professor Abdul Rahman Khan. He shared that although women have made substantial progress in different fields, they remain underrepresented in senior academic and decision-making positions, particularly in the Indian scenario. The disparities and challenges like unconscious bias, family issues, and limited access to resources are some hurdles that need to be crossed to facilitate the full participation of women in research and innovation. He also shared that IUPAC has established this unique platform of Global Women's Breakfast to establish an active network of people to overcome the barriers to gender equality in science and promote the active contribution of women in STEM. After the welcome address Dr. Tahmeena Khan, organizing secretary of the seminar shared that the goal of this annual meet is to establish an active network of people to overcome the barriers to gender equality in science and over the last six years, nearly 2000 GWB events have been held in 100 countries. A video presentation was made on the conception of GWB with the participants.







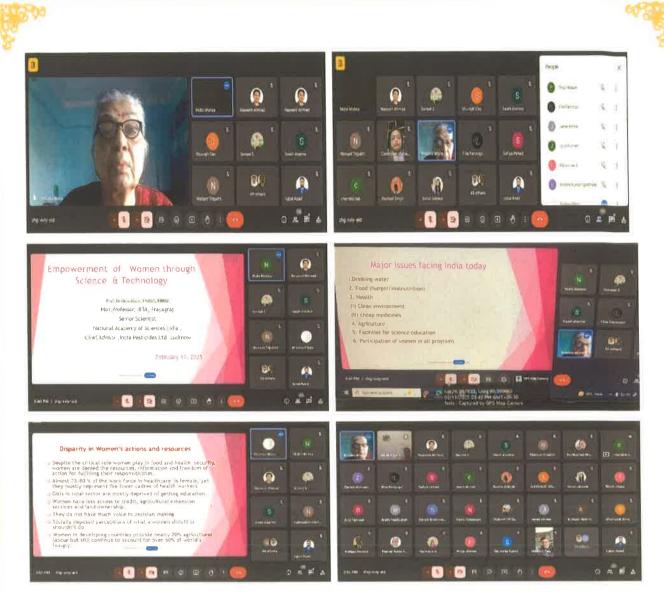


Glimpses from the inaugural session

Keynote lecture I

33Professor Krishna Mishra, Honorary professor, Department of Applied Sciences, Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad, India was the first speaker of the day. The title of her talk was "Empowerment of Women through Science & Technology". Professor Mishra shared how Indian women have played a crucial role in different challenges. She presented some examples like Sarojini Naidu, Vijaylaxmi Pandit, Kalpana Chawla and Sunita Williams, with an Indian origin. She also shared that in healthcare sector 75-80% work force is female, yet they mostly represent the lower cadres. Prof. Mishra also shared that 70% agricultural labour is done by women, still they remain hungry. Overall, her talk was very informative and enlightening.





Glimpses of Keynote lecture I

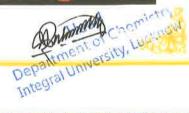
* Keynote lecture II

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Dr. Ritu Trivedi, Senior Principal Scientist, Endocrinology Division, CSIR-Central Drug Research Institute Lucknow was invited as the second speaker. She has been recently featured in the top 100 scientists all over the world. The title of her presentation was "Empowering Women in Science: Challenges and Prospects". Dr. Trivedi emphasized that times have changed, and women have equal right as men to determine choices and to access opportunities and resources. She also shared an overview on the historical picture of the gender inequality in scientific careers across countries and disciplines. The lecture was very interesting and informative.















Glimpses of Keynote lecture II

* Kevnote lecture III

Dr. Abha Meena, Principal Scientist & Associate Professor (AcSIR), Molecular Bioprospection and Product Development Department, CSIR-Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants, Lucknow was the third speaker of the day. She shared the current scenario of in science, citing UNESCO data which shows that women constitute 43% of STEM graduates in India, yet they are underrepresented at the workspace. She also highlighted that according to the Global Gender Gap Report, 2023 India ranks 127 out of 146 countries in gender equality. Dr. Abha shared those social and cultural barriers, workplace discrimination, lack of mentorship and work-life balance issues are some of the major hurdles faced by women in STEM.

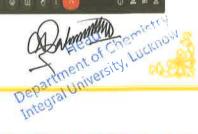






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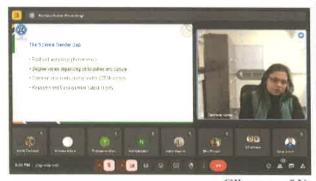
The fourth keynote lecture of the seminar was delivered by Dr. Rachana Kumar, Principal Scientist and Associate Professor (AcSIR), Analytical Chemistry Division, CSIR-Indian Institute of Toxicology Research, Lucknow. The title of her presentation was "Accelerating Equity in Science: Visibility and Recognition". Dr. Rachana Kumar very nicely explained the Science Gender Gap which is prevalent in academics and research both. She also highlighted the WARM (Women in Academia, Research and Management) platform being established by CSIR-IITR in December 2022 to celebrate and commemorate the contributions of women in STEM.













Glimpses of Keynote Lecture IV

* Kevnote Lecture V

The fifth and final keynote speaker for the seminar was Dr. Tripti Ahuja, Project Scientist, Common Research and Technology Development Hub, CSIR-Indian Institute of Toxicology Research, Lucknow. She was also the youngest among all the speakers. The title of her talk was "Accelerating Equity in Science: Inspiring and Empowering the Next Generation". She shared her personal experiences and challenges as a woman scientist like breaking stereotypes, balancing multiple roles and work-life integration. She said that perseverance and seeking the right mentorship are the key points for overcoming barriers. She also shared the data showing the ratio between the degrees obtained by women vs. their share in jobs. Overall, the lecture was very thought-provoking and inspired the young women participants.











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Glimpses of Keynote Lecture V

After the session, Dr. Nidhi Mishra, Associate Professor, Department of Applied Sciences, Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad and Co-Convenor of the seminar proposed the vote of thanks. She thanked all five speakers for their elaborate and comprehensive deliberations and for motivating the young women to come forward and realize their role in STEM education. She also thanked the convenor Prof. A.R. Khan, for his wholehearted support and cooperation. Dr. Nidhi also thanked Prof. Shraddha Sinha, Vice-President, ACT, North zone and Dr. Vijendra Singh, National Coordinator, GWB for extending support. She also expressed her gratitude towards Dr. Tahmeena Khan, the Organizing secretary of the seminar and towards the participants for their enthusiastic participation.

Registrations were obtained from institutions like Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, Allahabad University, Aston University, Bermingham, University of Lucknow, S.S. Khanna Girls' Degree College, Allahabad, IIIT-Allahabad, Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, Christian Training College, Lucknow, Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, Khandwari P.G. College, Chandauli, M.R.M. College Darbhanga, Jaypee Institute of Information Technology, Noida etc.











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