



March 8, 2021

3.00 to 5.00 pm

Online Deliberations on “Gender and Work in #Covid Times !”

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Women hold more than half of the sky and Covid-19 clearly showed their role and relevance in family-community-nation and world. International Women’s Day formally was recognized in 1977 by United Nations, the theme for 2021 is “**Women in Leadership: Achieving EQUAL future in a Covid-19 World**”. While ‘gender’ is a fairly clearly defined, the ‘work’ has lost its location and rewards mainly for women and other marginalized communities. UN reports an analysis of COVID-19 task teams from 87 countries found only 3.5 per cent of them with gender parity. Unpaid care work has become centre of discussion due to ‘Covid times’ considering private and public boundaries has merged and personal had always been political!

Research Centre for Women’s Studies and University Department of Extension & Communication, SNDT Women’s University brings together varied perspectives to examine **gender and work** in this changing times of human history. Being an online event, it is a global event addressing Indian contexts.

3.05 Welcome by Dr. Meena Kute, Registrar, SNDT Women’s University- Mumbai

3.15 Opening Remarks

Professor Shashikala Wanjari, Honorable Vice Chancellor, SNDT Women’s University- Mumbai

SPEAKERS:

3.30 pm Prof Vibhuti Patel is well known scholar in gender and women’s rights who had been with Advance Centre for Women’s Studies of TISS till June 2020 and superannuated from SNDT Women’s University as Professor of Economics in June 2017. She has large body of work to her credit and is active part of Indian Association of Women’s Studies.

3.45 pm Manvendra Singh Gohil is an Indian Prince from the royal family of Rajpipla in Gujarat. He has been a transgender activist who runs a charity, the Lakshya Trust, that works with the LGBTQ community since the year 2000. By ‘coming out’ he has been in media and he has brought the issues of the transgender community to the forefront. He has been active on multiple networks to has been vocal about issues related to guy community.

4.00 pm Ms. Jyoti Patankar represents Tata Consumer Products Limited. She is a marketing professional with experience in FMCG marketing who managed “Tata Salt” with some of the iconic brand campaigns and worked on launch of “Tata Sampann” - the food brand of Tata. She is currently leading the Spices and RTC category for TCPL. She is a mother of twin boys and lives in Mumbai with her businessman husband and in-laws.

4.15 pm Prof. Veena Poonacha, former Director of RCWS, SNDT Women’s University is a well-known feminist scholar, who has many projects, articles and books to her credit. Her important contribution in setting up the Dr Avabai Wadia Archives for Women is the first such venture in the public University system in India.

4.30 pm Interaction with the Audience

4.45 Closing Remarks

Ms. Sriyanka Chaterjee, Media and Communication officer, Press Information Bureau, Mumbai