

ICAR-CIFA observes International Women's Day with the theme “Think equal, build smart, innovate for change”.

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The ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture, Bhubaneswar observed International Women's Day on 8th March, 2019. On the occasion, the Institute had organised the Live Telecast of Hon'ble Prime Minister's address and interaction with SHG members. The campaign theme for 2019 International Women's Day is “Balance for better” to think equal, build smart, innovate for change for women. This year theme depicts the innovative ways in which we can advance in gender equality and the empowerment of women especially in the social protection systems, access to public services and sustainable infrastructure.



Dr. S.N. Mohanty, Head, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Apollo Hospital, Bhubaneswar was the Chief Guest of the function. He emphasized on the importance of women health and hygiene. He described in detail the physiological development of women in different phases and need for maintaining a good health for development of a healthy nation. This will lead to an economically developed society as women are the backbone of family.



Dr. Subhashree Nanda, Joint Secretary, School & Mass Education Department, Govt. of Odisha, graced the function as the Guest of Honour. She stressed the importance of education in empowerment of women.

Mrs. Reeta Rani Das, External Member, ICC, ICAR-CIFA gave a presentation on “Right to Information Act”. She stressed on the importance of RTI and its use for prevention of atrocities against women at work place.

Dr. B.R. Pillai, Director, ICAR-CIFA addressed the gathering and emphasized that the potential of women can be enhanced by providing education to them. Our society can change only when attitude towards women will change and we can certainly provide them a positive working ambience.

Dr. K. D. Mahapatra, Principal Scientist and Chairperson of Internal Women Complaint Committee (ICC), ICAR-CIFA, welcomed the gathering and introduced the guests. She expressed her tribute to

the women who have immensely contributed to shape the society. She brought to the notice of house the presence of ICC in the Institute for healthy work atmosphere for the working women.

Prizes were distributed to the women participants of various competitions like Elocution, Quiz, Rangoli, Crafts, Salad plating and Mehendi, etc. organized among the women research scholar and staff of the Institute. The programme was smoothly conducted and coordinated by all the women staff members and scholars of Institute. The programme was moderated by Mrs. Snatashree Mohanty, Scientist and ended with the vote of thanks proposed by Mrs. Priyanka C. Nandanpawar, Scientist, ICAR-CIFA.

