

# **REPORT**

## **INDIA@G20: IMPACT ASSESSMENT SUMMIT 2023**

A NEW DIALOGUE WITH WOMEN

E-MOBILITY | SKILLING | SUSTAINABILITY

MAY 25,2023 | INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE | NEW DELHI | 10:00 AM TO 4:30PM

### **INAUGURAL SESSION**

Mata Sundri College for Women in collaboration with Golden Signatures organized “INDIA@G20: IMPACT ASSESSMENT SUMMIT 2023” on May 25, 2023, at India International Centre, New Delhi. The conference began at 10:30 AM with the presence of 200 people from corporate, government and academic institutions. The conference was successfully organized by the Convenor, Prof. Harpreet Kaur, the Principal of Mata Sundri College for Women, Co-convenor, Mr. Onkareshwar Pandey, CEO of Golden Signatures and conference patron, Shri S. Vikramjit Singh Sahney, Chairman of Mata Sundri College for Women.

The conference started with seeking blessings from Mata Sundri Ji and lamp lighting done by the honorable guests. The Principal of Mata Sundri College, Prof. Harpreet Kaur then extended the welcome address for everyone present there. In her speech she also mentioned the college’s aim i.e., “Women & Women led development.” After the welcome address the CEO of Golden Signatures, Mr. Onkareshwar Pandey presented the theme of the summit- “One Earth, One Family, One Future”. He appreciated how the logo was perfectly made giving an Indian touch with the use of tricolor and our national flower, lotus. This was the second program being organized by Golden Signatures for women empowerment. Mr. Pandey further invited Mr. S M Khan for the launch of the booklet made by the faculty of Department of Commerce. The booklet was made with the help of Shri. S. Vikramjit Singh Sahney, Prof. Harpreet Kaur & Mr. Onkareshwar Pandey. The Commerce department was the Organizing Committee of the booklet with Ms. Rashmi Singh & Dr. Sharda Garg as Organizing Secretaries and Prof. Renu Arora as the Conference Coordinator.

It also had articles written by Sushant Naik, Amitabh Kant, Ms. Sangita Reddy, Atijay Gupta, Dr. Harleen Kaur, Dr. Tanu Dhingra, Dr. Manjot Kaur, Ms. Manpreet Kaur, Ms. Kamna Virmani, Dr. Harshmeeta Kaur, Dr. Ishleen Kaur, Dr. Rameet Kaur, Ms. Jasmeet Kaur, Dr. Kavita Singh and Dr. Uzma Nadeem.

The guests in the introductory panel were Prof. Harpreet Kaur, Mr. Onkareshwar Pandey, Sh. Shushant Naik, Sh. P R Swaroop, Sh. Yashpal Sacchar, Mr. R K Shrivastava, and Prof. Charan Singh. Sh. Shushant Naik, Global Head- Govt Affairs & Public Policy, The Tata Motors, emphasized on how e-mobility can be a huge opportunity for women by giving an example of the Tata motors itself where cars like Harrier and Safari are manufactured by women only. A short film was played about the same. Sh. P R Swaroop, DG, CIDC, Government of India explained how India can be the largest technology and green hydrogen producer in the world. He also explained the production of green hydrogen by hydrolysis of water using solar/wind/tidal power. Sh. Yashpal Sacchar, VP-Marketing, The Ashok Leyland said that his organization is already set with vehicles to run on hydrogen and how such vehicles will bring down the position of Delhi in the list of most populated cities. The Ashok Leyland has also opened women driver training center at Burari for encouraging women to learn driving and pursue it as an occupation. . R K Shrivastava, Advisor, Electric EVA & Danish Consortium for Academic Craftsmanship elucidated that skilling & entrepreneurship is close to his heart. He encouraged the students present there to become entrepreneurs.

Prof. Charan Singh, Former Chairman, Punjab & Sind Bank talked about the motto of the summit and the opportunities ahead with it especially for the women. The inaugural session ended by giving everyone a green dupatta as a message for the green planet. A pledge was also taken for the mission:

-I pledge to make any possible changes in my daily lifestyle to protect the environment.

-I commit to continuously remind my friends, family, and others about the importance of environmentally friendly habits.

-I pledge to serve as an example of how an environment-friendly lifestyle can positively impact people and our planet.

Sh. Shushant Naik and Mahesh Babu were presented awards by Golden Signatures for being the ambassador of green planet. Prof. Harpreet Kaur, Principal of Mata Sundri College for Women was bestowed with the prestigious Ambassador of Green Planet Award for establishing an environment-friendly campus dedicated to education. This remarkable achievement highlights her commitment to promoting sustainability and fostering a green culture within the educational institution.

## **SESSION 2**

Moderated by Mr. Ruchir Shukla, Advisor E-Mobility, the panel further consisted of 8 more highly qualified people and experts in their respective fields namely, SH. P.R Swaroop (DG,CIDC, Govt of India), SH. D V Shastry (Executive Director, Natural Gas Society), SH. Yashpal Sachhar ( VP Marketing ,Ashok Leyland), Mr. R K Shrivastava ( Advisor, Electric EVA & Danish Consortium for academic Craftsmanship), Mr. Amit Das CEO ( Electric one), SH. Sudhendu J Sinha( Advisor, Niti Ayog), Dr. Vibha Dhawan (Director General, TERI) and Dr. Kavita Singh (Faculty MSCW).

The session at the India20: Impact Assessment Summit 2023 was truly insightful, particularly with its emphasis on the increasing demand for electric vehicles (EVs) and the associated need for skilled professionals in designing, developing, and maintaining EV infrastructure. The discussion highlighted the importance of skilling programs specifically tailored to the field of e-mobility. These skilling programs are essential in equipping individuals with the technical knowledge and expertise required to excel in the rapidly emerging e-mobility industry. By offering comprehensive training on various aspects of EV technology, battery management, renewable energy integration, and related areas, these programs ensure that professionals are well-prepared to meet the industry's evolving needs. The speakers also emphasized on the fact that, the narrative around women's empowerment and development has shifted from simply focusing on women's development to emphasizing women-led development. This shift recognizes that women possess the potential to lead and excel in every aspect of the world when provided with the right opportunities. Acknowledging the capabilities and talents of women, society has come to understand that their active participation and leadership are essential for achieving holistic development. Women-led development emphasizes the need to create an inclusive and enabling environment that promotes gender equality, removes barriers, and empowers women to take on leadership roles. By

harnessing the potential of women and providing them with the necessary support, we can create a more equitable, prosperous, and inclusive world for all.

The session's focus on skilling for e-mobility and supporting women led development reflects a forward-thinking approach to addressing the challenges and opportunities associated with the transition towards sustainable transportation. By investing in skilling initiatives, we can cultivate a competent workforce that can support the expansion of e-mobility and contribute to a cleaner and greener future. The session at the India20: Impact Assessment Summit 2023 provided valuable insights into the opportunities available to the youth in the electric vehicle (EV) sector and the crucial role that skills play in achieving the goals as a society. By highlighting the significance of skilling programs in the emerging EV industry, the session equipped the emerging leaders with knowledge about the pathways for success in this dynamic field.

### **SESSION 3**

This session consisted of a women exclusive panel to elucidate new opportunities for women in sustainability. The session began with welcoming the chief guest, Ms. Mukangira Jacqueline and the other panel members-Prof. Namita Rajput, Dr. Urvashi Makkar, Prof. Rupam Kapoor, Prof. Dr. Sonali Mishra, Ms. Priya Bhardwaj, Dr. Meena Mishra, Ms. Sujata Sawant, Ms. Shailza Taneja and Prof. Jyotsna Pandit.

The chief guest, Ms. Mukangira Jacqueline, High Commissioner of Rwanda spoke about values that India can take from Rwanda in Women empowerment & sustainability. In Rwanda, women participation is very high as compared to India-61.3% in the lower house & 38.5% in the upper house. 55% of cabinet members in Rwanda are women. Majority of women are present in all decision-making sectors. For the past 29 years, Rwanda has been putting gender equality at the forefront and treating women as key-prayers. Concluding her speaking note she said that India should learn better gender integration from Rwanda as it will also lead to enhanced economic situation. Prof. Namita Rajput, Professor, Department of Commerce, Aurobindo College was the leader of the panel discussion. She talked about stereotypes and violence against women in the workplace. Ms. Namita also threw light on how G20 can show effective strategies to the world for social construction and set India as the best example. Dr. Urvashi Makkar, Director, Accurate Institute of Management and Technology explained the need and ways to dismantle the

stereotypical belief that women are meant to perceive only womanly roles as there is no role that a woman can't play. Prof. Rupam Kapoor, Professor, Department of Botany, Delhi University said that empowering women is not a choice but an imperative as women are the change makers. She also explained how gender equality is correlated with development. Prof. Dr. Sonali Mishra, Lloyd group of Law emphasized on importance of skills and how women should come together to encourage other women and give opportunities to prove themselves. Ms. Prial Bhardwaj, Vice President, BJP confessed various schemes about women and various other ways that BJP is taking up to promote women on a larger scale. Dr. Meena Mishra, Oncologist, Chairperson, BBRFI said that the first step towards change originates from the mind, and we should initiate psychological drive to make people mentally accept the changes taking place related to gender biasness. Ms. Sujata Sawant, Chief General Manager, Rites Ltd brought light on the low percentage of women's participation in the transport sector and said that the concerned sector should think about ways to increase sustainable women footprint. Ms. Shailza Taneja, Independent Consultant UNSDGs spell out the significance of women development through skills as one should always know the creative expression before getting into any direction. Prof. Jyotsna Pandit, HoD, Krishna Engineering College explained the importance of educating women by quoting "educate a woman, educate a family."

The session was concluded by Prof. Harpreet Kaur, Principal, Mata Sundri College for Women. She expressed the concerns that all the panel members spoke about and said that the society should be willing towards women and this balance will lead to economic development of the nation.

### **Valedictory Session**

The valedictory session of the India G20: Impact Assessment Summit 2023 concluded at 4:45 pm, marked by the warm welcome and honorable recognition of chief guests. Bouquets and laptop sleeves were presented to them as tokens of profound respect, setting the stage for a memorable and enlightening session. Moderated by distinguished personalities Anup K Mugdal, former High Commissioner to Mauritius and Member of FICCI's Task force on blue economy and Alok K Mishra, Joint Secretary of AUI, New Delhi, the session revolved around the captivating theme of E-Mobility, Skilling, and Sustainability.

Mr. Anup K Mugdal commenced the lively talk by expressing his heartfelt gratitude to the organizers for the invitation to such an honorable event. He elucidated the distinction between utilizing technology and truly comprehending it, underscoring the significance of acquiring a deep understanding of technology. Furthermore, Mr. Mugdal shed light on women's economic contributions to society and emphasized the transformative power of women's empowerment. He contended that empowering women and providing them with equal opportunities is the key to shattering the glass ceiling, enabling them to break free from societal stereotypes. Mr. Mugdal emphasized the pivotal role that technology has played in empowering women, enabling them to confidently proclaim, "YES, I CAN!" He highlighted the pervasive presence of women across diverse domains, thereby challenging stereotypical norms and fostering inclusivity.

Continuing the lively discourse, Alok K Mishra shared a poignant personal anecdote. He presented a video depicting a car accident he was involved in, and he took the opportunity to invite the individuals who had saved his life onto the stage. Profoundly grateful, Mr. Mishra acknowledged their selfless heroism. In a heart-warming moment, the son and father who had come to his aid were duly recognized and awarded by all the chief guests and Mr. Mishra himself. This act of appreciation symbolized the innate compassion and gratitude that exists within humanity.

#### Road Development and Sensibility:

Alok K Mishra went on to discuss India's remarkable strides in road development, positioning the nation as the second-leading country after America in this realm. With great importance, he emphasized the significance of road sensibility, advocating for responsible behavior on the roads to ensure safety for all. His poignant message shed light on the fact that, ultimately, humanity and compassion are of greater importance than mere educational achievements or skill sets. The valedictory session of the India G20: Impact Assessment Summit 2023 was an extraordinary event that showcased the amalgamation of empowerment and sustainability through captivating talks by Anup K Mugdal and Alok K Mishra.

Concluding the session with grace and gratitude, Prof. Harpreet Kaur, Principal of Mata Sundri College for Women expressed profound appreciation for the esteemed guests who had taken precious time out of their busy schedules to attend the session. She commended the speakers for their invaluable knowledge and insightful contributions to the discussion on E-Mobility, Skilling,

and Sustainability. Prof. Harpreet Kaur expressed her gratitude to the faculty members and the participating students, Department of Commerce, for their untiring efforts. She gave special thanks to Prof. Renu Arora, Dr. Sharda Garg, and Ms. Rashmi Singh, acknowledging their relentless efforts in ensuring the success of the event. She reflected upon the abundance of knowledge gained by the students through such fulfilling events. Moreover, she conveyed a resolute desire for future sessions to continue enlightening and inspiring attendees, signifying a commitment to perpetual learning and growth. Undoubtedly, the valedictory session of the India G20: Impact Assessment Summit 2023 left an indelible mark on all participants, providing a truly memorable and rewarding experience.