

**A Report on
National Women's Parliament
held at Amravati from Feb 10-12, 2017**



I Dr. Geetha Devi K. V, Asst. Prof, Department of Management Studies along with 3 students (P. Bhavana MBA, K.V. Manasa ECE, M. Aliya CSE) had an opportunity to participate in the National Women's Parliament held at Amravati from Feb 10-12, 2017.

National Women's Parliament is a first of its kind initiative and a platform which enable and encourage the social, political and economic empowerment of Women in the society.

National Women's Parliament was organized by the **Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly** in association with MAEER's MIT School of Governance at Pavithra Sangamam in **Amravati, Andhra Pradesh** with an aim to empower women. It was three day

conclave that began on February 10, 2017 was based on the theme: **‘Empowering Women — Strengthening Democracy’**.

The conclave was inaugurated by **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** via video conference in the presence of AP Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu and Speaker of Bangladesh Parliament, Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury.

Some of the eminent personalities present in the National Women parliament included Buddhist spiritual leader Dalai Lama, Union Ministers M Venkaiah Naidu and P Ashok Gajapati Raju, Puducherry Lieutenant Governor Kiran Bedi, Gandhian Ela Bhatt, actress Manisha Koirala among other.

There was a huge gathering of more than 10,000 girls,401 women legislators,91 Women Members of Parliament and 300 social and corporate women leaders of India and overseas. Women from diverse backgrounds like politics, arts and culture, sports, education, industry, media, cinema, judiciary and social sector participated in the NWP to share their knowledge and research in the area of women’s social, economic and political empowerment.

Through this interaction the conference aimed to make young girls realize their potential and enable them to take leadership roles in all sectors of life. Besides, it also aimed to sensitize the society about issues like malnutrition among women and children, sexual harassment, and sanitation among others.

The NWP focused to generate new ideas, concepts, theories and ideologies for women empowerment.

The conclave also had seven plenary sessions with discussions on subjects like Socio-political challenges in **women empowerment**, women’s status and decision making power, building own identity and vision for the future.

Schedule for the three days

10th Feb, 2017

10:00 - 13:00

Inaugural Session

14:30 - 16:40

Plenary session I: Socio –Political Challenges in Women Empowerment

16:40 - 18:30

Women Youth Connect- Building bonds between Mentor and Mentee – I

19:00 - 20:00

Cultural Program: The Amaravati Global Music and Dance Festival - a confluence of International artists and art forms from around the world

11th Feb, 2017

9:00 - 12:00

Plenary session II: Women's Status & Decision Making Power

12:00 - 14:10

Plenary session III: Be Your Own Hero

15:20 - 19:00

Women Youth Connect- Building bonds between Mentor and Mentee - II

19:00 - 20:00

Cultural Program: The Amaravati Global Music and Dance Festival - a confluence of International artists and art forms from around the world

12th Feb, 2017

07:00 - 08:30

Run for Women Empowerment

10:00 - 12:00

Plenary session IV: Building Own Identity & Vision of the Future

11:30 - 13:00

Plenary session V: Women in Politics: Change Makers in Global Scenario

14:00 - 16:00

Valedictory Session

We express our sincere regards to the Management & to Principal for their support and encouragement in participating this event.