

VIDUSHEE GARGI –CENTRE FOR WOMEN DEVELOPMENT



GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

REPORT
ON

“Sakhi Salah Kendra”, A Counselling Centre for Women

Date: 26th October 2018

Venue: Government Polytechnic, Ahmedabad

Vidushee Gargi Centre for Women Development (VGCWD) in GTU aims for overall development of women which includes women faculty, staff and most importantly girl students. The center aims to work in all relevant fields related to training, placement, safety, health, legal awareness, overall development etc. In current era young girl students are facing problems such as emerging out of social pressures, family issues, economical background and peer pressures. There is a need to counsel such girls for de-addiction and other bad habits. Working women and girls undergo through stress and depression because of demanding hard work in academics, harassment in public and workplace and personal problems.

Therefore, VGCWD has started “Sakhi Salah Kendra” – a counselling centre at Government Polytechnic for Girls, Ahmedabad which is the largest girls’ institute of the state with more than 1800 girl students. This centre provides free of charge counselling to all girl students of GTU.

Dignitaries present during the Program:

- Prof. (Dr.) Navin Sheth - Honourable Vice Chancellor of GTU.
- Prof. (Dr.) S D Panchal – Registrar, GTU
- Dr. Ushma Anerao - Chairperson of Vidushee Gargi – Centre for Women Development, Principal of Government girl’s polytechnic.
- Smt. Shaileja Andhare - Head of Stree Chetna Organization, Maharashtra.
- Dr. Geetaben Patel, President, Stree Chetna

INAUGURATION & BRIEF OF THE PROGRAM

Prof. (Dr.) Navin Sheth, Hon. Vice Chancellor, & Prof. (Dr.) S D Panchal, Registrar, Gujarat Technological University inaugurated the centre.

Prof. (Dr) Navin Sheth, Honorable Vice Chancellor appreciated the initiative taken by Vidushee Gargi Centre for Women Development (VGCWD) for starting 'Sakhi Salah Kendra'. He emphasized in his address on 'Gender equality' and added that along with all other academic activities girls should excel in all areas of life. He also shared his experiences and motivated students and faculty in Government Polytechnic for Girls, Ahmedabad.



Dr. Ushma Anerao, Chairperson, VGCWD, GTU gave brief introduction of this counselling centre and details of the aim and objectives of the centre. She welcomed the distinguished guests and said that Government Polytechnic for Girls, Ahmedabad feels privileged to have this centre in this institute.



Dr. Geetaben Patel, President, Stree Chetna – Gujarat, gave information about the NGO and 'Sakhi Salah Kendra'. Smt. Shailajaben Andhare gave information about the working of the centre and committee which would advise the centre.

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM

1. To counsel and guide women and students to overcome their personal and social problems
2. To advise them to cope with difficult situations in their important stage of life.
3. The centre will be 'real friend' for girl students and help them to become more strong, self-reliant and independent in their life.
4. The centre will remain open for all GTU girl students and women faculty.



Report Edited by:

Ms. Hiral Mistry

Administrative Assistant, Gujarat Technological University
Member of Vidushee Gargi-Centre for Women Development.

Email: gtuwdc@gtu.edu.in