Report on Women's Day and Science Day Celebration - March 8, 2024

On March 8, 2024, a joint celebration of International Women's Day and Science Day was organized by the Department of Chemistry, Women's Club, and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) at KKTM Government College, Pullut. The event aimed to commemorate the achievements of women in the field of science and promote gender equality in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) fields. Dr. Pranitha Sankar, an R&D Scientist from the United States, served as the resource person for the event.

Event Details:

Time: 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM IST

Resource Person: Dr. Pranitha Sankar, R&D Scientist, Inficon inc, East Syracuse, USA

Participants:

30 students

10 faculty members from various colleges

The event commenced with a warm welcome by **Smt. Preetha K**, the Head of the Chemistry Department, who extended greetings to all participants and expressed gratitude for their presence. Dr. Pranitha Sankar delivered an enlightening talk on the role of women in science. Drawing from her own experiences as an accomplished scientist, she highlighted the contributions of women in scientific research and emphasized the importance of gender inclusivity in the field. Her insightful speech inspired attendees to pursue careers in STEM and break gender stereotypes.

Following the keynote speech, participants engaged in an interactive session where they had the opportunity to ask questions and share their thoughts on women's empowerment in science. Dr. Sankar provided valuable insights and advice, fostering a stimulating exchange of ideas. The webinar was presided over **by Dr. Bindu Sharmila T K**, the Principal of KKTM Government College, Pullut. In her address, she underscored the significance of celebrating Women's Day and Science Day together and reiterated the college's commitment to promoting diversity and inclusion in academia. **Dr. Suma C S** expressed gratitude to Dr. Pranitha Sankar for her informative session, as well as to all participants for their active involvement. She also thanked the organizing committee for their efforts in making the event a success.

The joint celebration of Women's Day and Science Day proved to be an enriching experience, fostering awareness about the pivotal role of women in scientific advancement. Through insightful discussions and interactions, participants were inspired to contribute towards creating a more equitable and inclusive environment in the field of science.



