

Symposium

On

**“Psychosocial Perspectives on the Elimination and Prevention of Various Forms of
Discrimination and Violence against Women and Girls”**

Organized

By

**Department of Applied Psychology and Counseling Center in collaboration with Mahatma
Gandhi Peace Center, University of Mumbai**

On Wednesday, 8th March, 2017

At 1.30pm onward

Venue: Auditorium, Department of Applied Psychology and Counseling Center

Concept Note

In many cultures, being born as a female can downgrade the girl child to the peripheries of society where her safety is denied and her human rights are routinely violated. In societies where women are tortured, or even put to death for asserting their constitutional rights, they are victims of their social order and cultures, some of them are murdered in the name of honor. In these societies, change is difficult to accomplish and often dangerous. In societies where acute patriarchy exists, women are stripped of their rights and dignity. Gender stereotype that men are superior this attitude stem from religious beliefs, and ancient culture, traditions, and rituals that even women are yet to show collective courage to confront it. At each and every stage of development, girls are more likely than boys to confront a host of disadvantages associated with discrimination and violence. This symposium will be of interest to faculty, research scholars, and students of social sciences. It would debate and assess the issues like selective abortion and female infanticide, domestic violence, inadequate nutrition, sexual harassment, overall life stress experienced by women and status in the family issues of women in the present time where we claim to be the highly progressive society.

This symposium is to provide an overview of the harmful traditional /cultural practices and gender-based social and cultural norms that perpetuate the lower status accorded to women/girls in the family, the community and society.

Symposium Programme

01.00 pm - 1.30 pm

Registration

1.30 pm- 1.40 pm Welcome and Introductory Address: Professor Gautam Gawali (Chair)

Panelists:

1.40- 2.20 pm Dr Nandini Diwan

2.20 -3.00 pm Dr Namita Nimbalkar

3.00- 3.40 pm Dr Sabiha More

3.40- 4.20 pm Dr Eshita Mandal

4.20- 5.00 pm Dr Rajeshri Varahdi

5.00 pm. 05.05pm Vote of Thanks:

Professor Satish Kumar

Symposium Coordinator:

Dr. Umesh Bharte

Tea Break 5.05- 5.15

5.15 pm 6.30 pm

Theme based cultural programme
