

DEPARTMENT OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING

Event: Women's Day Event

Venue: Auditorium, New Horizon College of Engineering Time: 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

The Department of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (AI & ML) at New Horizon College of Engineering buzzed with excitement on March 28th, 2024, as they coordinated the International Women's Day Event. The event aimed to not only empower women within the department but also recognize the significant contributions women make across diverse fields.



The program commenced with a graceful invocation dance, a visual and spiritual opening performed by Shruti, a student from the Department of Information Science and Engineering (ISE). This was followed by the auspicious lamp-lighting ceremony, a moment of tradition and respect. Our esteemed guests, Ms. Padmavathi R, Director (MIS) at Karnataka Milk Federation, and Dr. Padmakshi Lokesh, a leading Clinical Psychologist, graced the occasion. Ms. Padmavathi R, a trailblazer in Management Information Systems, served as a powerful inspiration for women aspiring to conquer traditionally male-dominated fields. Dr. Lokesh's dedication to mental health awareness served as a poignant reminder of the vital role women play in healthcare.

We were honoured to have two inspiring women as our guests - Chief Guest, Ms. Padmavathi R, Director (MIS) at Karnataka Milk Federation. Ms. Padmavathi, a trailblazer in Management Information Systems, is a true inspiration for women aspiring to conquer traditionally maledominated fields and Guest of Honor, Dr. Padmakshi Lokesh, a leading Clinical Psychologist. Dr. Lokesh's dedication to mental health awareness served as a powerful reminder of the contributions women make in the healthcare sector. The event commenced with a warm welcome address that highlighted the achievements of Ms. Padmavathi R. and Dr. Padmakshi Lokesh.



Following a warm welcome address that highlighted the achievements of both guests, the program acknowledged the exceptional work of female leaders within the New Horizon Group. A token of appreciation was presented to a remarkable group of women, each holding a pivotal role: Ms. Malathi Madhusudhan (Sr. Executive Director of accounts & Finance -NHEI), Ms. Aruna (Executive Director – of Admissions NHEI), Ms. Manjula V (Executive Director – Human Resources NHEI), Dr. Anitha Rai (Director – Library and Alumni Relations NHE), Dr. Sowmya Narayanan (Director - Centre for Life Skills & Skill Development), Dr. Revathi V (Dean – Research and Development), Dr. Anandhi (Dean - Academics), Dr. Rajalakshmi (Prof. & HoD, Dept of Computer Science & Engineering), Dr. Vijulus Helen Raj (Prof. & Controller of Examinations (CoE)), Dr. Asha V (Prof. & HoD, Department of MCA), Dr. Uma Reddy N V (Prof. & HoD, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning), Dr. Anusuya Devi V S (Prof. and HoD, Dept. of Applied Sciences Science), Dr. Vandana CP (Prof. & HoD, Dept. of CSE – Data Science), Ms. Prasanna Prakash (Prof. & HoD Commerce, NHC).

The Women's Legends quiz on March 27th put participants' knowledge of inspiring women to the test in engaging rounds. The first round served as a warm-up, challenging them with a mix of trivia and factual questions about these remarkable female figures. Their understanding went deeper in the second round, where they had to identify the legends by listening to audio clips of their speeches or quotes. This round demanded not only knowledge of the women themselves but also the ability to recognize their voices and identify key phrases associated with them. The third round shifted gears, testing their visual memory.



Participants were presented with images of female legends, from historical icons to contemporary figures, and tasked with correctly identifying them. Finally, a potential fourth round added a layer of complexity by presenting incomplete quotes uttered by prominent female leaders. Here, participants had to draw upon their knowledge of these women's philosophies and achievements to correctly complete the quotes, demonstrating a deeper understanding of their impact on the world.



The stage transformed into a vibrant hub of artistic expression during a captivating display by the college's faculty members. Melodious voices filled the air with renditions of inspiring songs, celebrating the strength and resilience of women. Energetic and graceful dance routines followed, showcasing the faculty's hidden talents and artistic spirit. But the celebration didn't stop there. Thought-provoking concept dances tackled themes of women's empowerment, sparking dialogue and reflection amongst the audience. A confident and stylish ramp walk

embodied the strength and grace of women in all walks of life. The grand finale arrived with the college's dance club setting the stage on fire. Their electrifying performance, filled with coordinated moves and infectious energy, brought the cultural program to a resounding close, leaving a lasting impression on all who witnessed it.

The captivating faculty performances served as a crescendo, leaving the audience brimming with energy. Capitalizing on this vibrant atmosphere, the stage transitioned into an open dance floor, inviting everyone to celebrate and express themselves freely. Laughter and joy filled the air as participants of all ages and backgrounds danced their hearts out, fostering a truly communal and celebratory spirit. Following this joyous interlude, the program concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to everyone who contributed to making the event a resounding success.

This International Women's Day celebration was a powerful testament to the achievements of women and a call for continued progress towards a more inclusive and empowered future.

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