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First Lady of the State participates in the International Women's Day celebration

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State to womenfolk**

The First Lady of the State Smt Neelam Misra participated in the International Women's Day programme on the theme, 'Think equal, build smart, innovative for change' at Itanagar on 8th March 2019.

Greeting the women of Arunachal Pradesh on the occasion, the First Lady of the State said that every woman is a 'Woman of substance'. Each one of them is important to the family, society, State and the nation. She said that women were always revered, even in the Vedic period but due to numerous invasions, they lost their status and were confined to limited precincts of the household. With the march of time, the domain of the women has changed, she said. India, in this regard, has taken a big leap forward. Women condition amelioration movement or schemes like 'Beti Padhao Beti Bachao' and 'Dulari Kanya' yojna are epoch-making initiatives and first of its kind in the world.

The First Lady of the State called upon the womenfolk to concentrate and focus on their positive aspects in life to progress and empower. Nurture your potential and strengthen your positive attributes, she said, while stating that women have to strengthen themselves and they have the capability to do so.

The First Lady said that shaping the future generation depends on the thoughts attitude, and approach of the women, particularly the mothers. It is the mother who can bring the change in the child. She exhorted the women to instil discipline and self-supporting instinct in every child, both boy and girl.

The First lady of the State concluded that a surgical strike is needed for the change of common perception with regards to the cash benefit to the girl child from Dulari Kanya yojna. This benefit per se is not only for the girl's marriage, but it is also for her higher studies as well, she pointed.

Chairperson, Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women, Smt Radhilu Chai Techu, Smt Jarjum Ete, Smt Gumri Ringu and Ms Mitali Tingkhatra also shared their views.

Organized by Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women in collaboration with the Department of Women and Child Development and Arunachal Pradesh Women Welfare Society, a large number of women from community-based organizations, women officers and officials of various departments, institutions, and girl students participated in the celebration.

The members of Arunachal Pradesh Women Welfare Society presented a colourful traditional cultural programme, which impressed the gathering.

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