



KAASH FOUNDATION MUMBAI

Kaash Foundation Mumbai
celebrates

International Women's Day

with its annual event

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**(An event to honour Women for their
relentless contribution towards the society)**

**In tune with UN Women's theme for
International Women's Day 2021, the event
would consist of a Panel Discussion on the
theme**

Women in Leadership

**Date:
8th March 2021**

**Time:
4:00 pm to 6:00 pm**

**The event will be live-streamed on
Kaash Foundation's YouTube Channel**

**Please Note: NO Registration Fee. However, Registered Participants will receive
an E-Certificate only after submitting the Feedback Form**

For further details, kindly visit our websites:

**www.kaashfoundation.org
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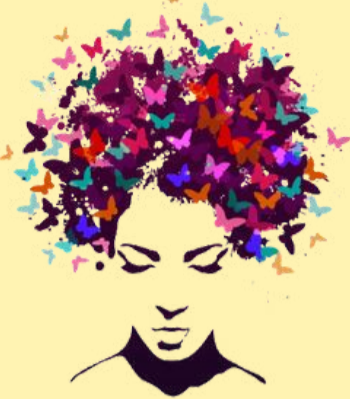
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CONCEPT NOTE



**“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said,
people will forget what you did, but people will never
forget how you made them feel.” –Maya Angelou**



The significance of women-leaders as agents of transformation has been recognised from time-to-time. Be it Cleopatra, the enigmatic ruler of the Ptolemaic kingdom of Egypt in 51 BC, who altered the norms of political leadership, and inspired Shakespeare’s “Antony and Cleopatra”, or Greta Thunberg, the young Swedish environmental activist, who has motivated the young and old population of the world alike with her stirring speeches on global climate change, women leaders have been powerful agents of social change. The diverse energy and balance that they restore into a conventionally competitive and confrontational world of leadership and dominance cannot be undervalued.

It is therefore no surprise that the UN Women has decided to commemorate women leadership through its theme for the International Women’s Day, 2021: “Women in Leadership: Achieving an Equal Future in a COVID 19 World”.

International Women's Day is defined by the IWD global online community as “a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. Marked annually on March 8th, International Women's Day (IWD) is one of the most important days of the year to celebrate women's achievements; raise awareness about women's equality; lobby for accelerated gender parity; and fundraise for female-focused charities”. According to United Nations, “International Women’s Day is a time to reflect on progress made, to call for change and to celebrate acts of courage and determination by ordinary women, who have played an extraordinary role in the history of their countries and communities.” UN Women is the United Nations organisation, which, in their own words, is “dedicated to gender equality and the empowerment of women. A global champion for women and girls, UN Women was established to accelerate progress on meeting their needs worldwide”.

While grappling with a global pandemic, and sporadic phases of lockdown, the world came face-to-face with the routine significance of multi-tasking, managing work and household chores one after another or, perhaps, at the same time: a fine balance that women have been maintaining for ages together without making their efforts apparent in any manner. Dragged by contradictory demands of professional and domestic sphere, or tradition and modernity, women leaders, particularly in the third world context, have proved their ability to negotiate and maintain a fine equilibrium between opposites.

“Women face distinct social penalties for doing the very things that lead to success. [They may be] applauded for delivering results at work but then reprimanded for being ‘too aggressive,’ ‘out for herself,’ ‘difficult,’ and ‘abrasive’”, is a pertinent observation made by Social Scientist Marianne Cooper. It was interesting, in fact, to note some critics applauding Kamala Harris for her neutral, and not-too-feminine energy, even as she took over as the first female Vice President of the United States. While the concept of equality need not acknowledge differences, it is important to register and admit the importance of balance - between the masculine and the feminine - something that women leaders are able to express with ease and beauty.

It is with this spirit of admiration and gratitude that we celebrate women in leadership through a panel discussion that will foreground the experiences of women leaders from different walks of life and fields of experience, who will enlighten us further on the awe-inspiring space of female leadership and management.



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Kaash Foundation is a Mumbai based non-governmental organization (NGO) working on the four verticals of E2 H2 viz. Education, Environment, Health and Heritage. The Foundation was registered on 3rd October 2019 under the Bombay Trust Act, 1950. Founded by Smt. Vijayalaxmi Jadhav and Dr. Avkash Jadhav, Kaash Foundation aims at amalgamating and centralizing social work on a universal platform. It also aims to provide people with the SCOPE and HOPE to initiate their journey of progress and reciprocation i.e. 'giving back to the society'.

On 21st May 2020, Kaash Foundation launched the Kaash Swaasthya Manthan (KSM) which aims to work as a catalyst to create a healthy and a harmonious environment by:

- Creating awareness and promoting Non-Allopathic Treatments and Natural Processes of Healing.**
- Creating awareness and encouraging conversations on Female Sanitization and Hygiene.**
- Promoting the Medical Assistance of Physical and Mental Health through various Medical Camps.**
- Linking various Government Projects to genuine Beneficiaries.**

The initiatives under Kaash Swaasthya Manthan are coordinated by Ms. Renuka Vyas, Joint Director (Health), Kaash Foundation.

On 25th May 2020, Kaash Foundation launched the Centre for Academic and Professional Development (CAPD) to enhance and empower the process of research and pedagogy by:

- Providing opportunities for academic excellence to faculty and educational institutions.**
- Conducting Workshops, Seminars, Conferences and Faculty Development Program**
- Providing suggestions, recommendations, resources and trainings to institutions/organisations seeking to thrust themselves in the academic/international circles.**
- Creating opportunities for students through student exchange programs.**

The initiatives under the Centre for Academic and Professional Development are coordinated by Dr. Geeta Ajit, Joint Director (Education), Kaash Foundation.



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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Smt. Supriya Sule,
Honourable Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha),
Baramati Constituency, India.

BIOGRAPHY

A Politician and Social Initiative Leader, Smt. Supriya Sule is the Honourable Member of Parliament, representing Baramati Constituency at the Lok Sabha. She also has wide-ranging interests in the socio-cultural arena, especially in Paintings, Literature and Science. Shedding some light on her political career, Smt. Supriya Sule was elected unopposed to the Rajya Sabha as a Member of the Maharashtra Assembly on 11 September 2006. Further, she was elected in the 15th Lok Sabha during the 2009 General Elections from Baramati Constituency. She was again elected in the 16th Lok Sabha General Elections (2014) from Baramati Constituency. As a Member of Parliament in the 16th Lok Sabha, she has been a Member of Parliament Committees on Empowerment of Women; External Affairs; and Joint Committee on Office of Profit. Furthermore, she is the Working President of Yashwantrao Chavan Pratishthan, Mumbai. Smt. Sule is also the Trustee for Yashwantrao Chavan Pratishthan, Mumbai; Nehru Centre, Mumbai; National Association for the Blind (NAB); Vidya Pratishthan, Baramati; and Pawar Public Charitable Trust.



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CHIEF GUEST

Smt. Mokshada Patil (I.P.S.)

**Police Superintendent - Aurangabad Division,
Maharashtra, India.**

BIOGRAPHY

An officer of the Indian Police Service (I.P.S.), Smt. Mokshada Patil currently serves as the Police Superintendent of Aurangabad in Maharashtra. Though very disciplined at work, she is known to be calm and patient by nature with an immense passion for reading. Her social conscience and pursuit of justice often make culprits fearful of her confrontation. Smt. Patil is well versed in foreign languages like French, German and Spanish and has dabbled in academics by presenting a paper at the All Police Summons Congress, titled - 'Police Reforms: Way Ahead.' She has also conducted workshops like 'Abhinna' to promote gender equality and create awareness among young people; right from children and young adults to the elderly. Smt. Mokshada Patil has worked tirelessly in the wake of the COVID 19 Pandemic and is truly regarded as a COVID Warrior.



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GUEST OF HONOUR

Dr. Smt. Mangala Gomare
Executive Health Officer,
Public Health Department,
Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai,
Mumbai, India

BIOGRAPHY

A dynamic and humble personality, Dr. Smt. Mangala Gomare serves as one of the best examples of Women Leadership in the Public Health Sector. Dr. Gomare holds an M.B.B.S. in Medicine and Surgery from Marathwada University, Aurangabad. Her areas of interest include Health Administration, Public Health, Maternal and Child Health, Immunization, Dispensaries and Specialized Hospitals. With her appointment as the Executive Health Officer in July 2020, Dr. Gomare holds direct control and coordination over all branches of the Public Health Department in the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai. In the wake of the COVID 19 pandemic in March 2020, Dr. Gomare was at the forefront of Mumbai's Health Services. Her responsibilities included: Taking over as the Officer in Charge for all COVID-19 Isolation facilities in Mumbai, right from their identification, monitoring and supervision to the development of reporting system from hospital to State; Coordinating with Government / MCGM / Private Hospitals in order to streamline suspected and positive COVID-19 patient flow, thereby, reducing chances of exposure; Procuring essentials on an emergency basis; Developing a data system for COVID-19 reporting and Sharing technical inputs in the planning and implementation of COVID-19 related policies at the Municipal Commissioner level. Furthermore, Dr. Gomare is an active member of the Indian Medical Association (IMA) and serves as the Chairman of Sexual Harassment at Workplace Committee.



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VALEDICTORY SPEAKER

Dr. Nasreen Rustomfram
Professor, Centre for Lifelong Learning,
Tata Institute of Social Science,
Mumbai, India.

BIOGRAPHY

Prof. Nasreen Rustomfram holds a doctoral degree from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, India. Her area of study was management of human service organisations. Having completed her post graduation in Social Work from the same institution, she has worked for 42 years since 1977, beginning her career with an NGO for 7 years, before joining the Tata Institute of Social Sciences in 1985. Throughout her career, Prof. Rustomfram has been guided by values of people's struggles, social equality and secularism. During her period in academia from 1985 to 2020, Prof. Nasreen's substantive areas have been community health, educational technology, gerontology and social aspects of geriatric care, leadership programs for women, mental health, organisational behaviour and people skills. Having been the administrative head of the Centre for Lifelong Learning for two decades, Prof. Rustomfram has had the opportunity to learn academic administration, budgeting and liaising with administrative units. She has chaired and/or been a member of several inquiry committees on issues of discipline and sexual harassment with students, faculty and administrative staff. As a project leader, Prof. Rustomfram has worked on task groups and research projects with Ministries, government departments and UN bodies. She has served on the Standing committee of the UGC for Adult Education, Board of Studies in Non formal Education of SNDT Women's University and the Academic Council of its affiliated colleges as also the Academic Council of TISS.



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SPECIAL GUEST

Prof. Nandini Sardesai

**Activist and Former Head, Department of Sociology
St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai,
Visiting Faculty of Mass Media.**

BIOGRAPHY

An M.A. in Sociology from SNTD University, Prof. Nandini Sardesai's Ph.D research focused on 'Sociology of Sports'. Her first stint with academia began in 1974, when she joined St. Anne's High School, Jesus and Mary Convent, Mumbai as a Teacher of Social Studies and English for Std. X. Thereafter, Prof. Sardesai worked as a Research Associate to Dr. Cashman of Sydney University for his book, 'The Phenomenon of Indian Cricket'. In 1978, she joined St. Xavier's College, Mumbai as a Professor in the Sociology Department and took over as its Head in 1984, up to her retirement in 2004. During her time at St. Xavier's, she garnered the love of her students, who remember her to this date, for her warmth, passion and her teaching skills. In 2003, Prof. Sardesai successfully led a movement to achieve gender parity at the Bombay Gymkhana. This resulted in women receiving the right to vote and electoral representation for women members in the hitherto exclusive male Managing and Balloting Committees. Since then, she has been actively involved in issues of social concern and consequently, has established a network at all levels of society. From 2005 - 2015, Prof. Sardesai was a Representative of Maharashtra Women's Commission on the Consumer Complaints Council of the Advertising Standards Council of India. Currently, she is on the Advisory Board of Population First and Dignity Foundation; she is a Board Member of the Censor Board of Film Certification; a Member of the Anti-Corruption Cell of the Indian Merchants Chamber and a Visiting Professor to Jai Hind College, HR College and KC College for Bachelor of Mass Media Program.



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SPECIAL GUEST

Dr. Alka Singh.

**Assistant Professor of English,
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University,
Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India.**

BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Alka Singh has done her postdoctoral research work as a Visiting Scholar to Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris, France under Indo-French Programme of Co-operation in Social Sciences. Her areas of teaching, research and doctoral supervision include ESP, Communication Studies, Gender and Culture, Canadian Literature, New Literatures, India Studies, Law and Literature, English for Aviation and Language through Literature. Besides her publications in reputed journals, she has published some of the following books: Women Empowerment (2018), Women: Issues of Exclusion and Inclusion (2018) and Women Society and Culture (2018). She has been a member of various committees, such as: Gender Justice Cell, Sexual Harassment Complaints Committee, Anti-Ragging Committee and Proctorial and Student Grievances Board, all of which primarily focus on providing mechanisms to combat these ever concerning issues. As part of community and extension services, Dr. Alka Singh has been sensitizing the public on women's issues, health issues and other socio-cultural issues through radio-broadcasts, seminars, workshops and literary engagements in newspapers and periodicals.



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SCHEDULE CHART

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SR NO.	TIME	NAME	TITLE OF THE PRESENTATION
1.	4:00 PM - 4:15 PM	JANICE LOBO Youth Brigade Member, Kaash Foundation	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
2.		AAPULKI JADHAV Youth Brigade Member, Kaash Foundation	STRUGGLE OF A WOMAN (RECITATION OF A POEM)
3.		DR. GEETA AJIT Joint Director (Education), Kaash Foundation Coordinator, CAPD.	INTRODUCTION OF KAASH FOUNDATION
KEYNOTE SPEAKER MODERATED BY: Dr. Geeta Ajit			
4.	4:15 PM - 4:30 PM	SMT. SUPRIYA SULE Honourable Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha), Baramati Constituency, India	KEYNOTE ADDRESS
5.		AR. AYUSHI MOTIWALLA Editorial Board Member, International Journal of Emotions, Expressions and Dimensions, Kaash Foundation	INTRODUCTION OF THE JOURNALS (IJCCD AND IJEED)
CHIEF GUEST MODERATED BY: Ar. Ayushi Motiwalla & Tirtha Samant			
6.	4:30 PM - 4:45 PM	SMT. MOKSHADA PATIL (I.P.S.) Police Superintendent - Aurangabad Division, Maharashtra, India	LAUNCHING OF THE JOURNALS AND CHIEF ADDRESS



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SR NO.	TIME	NAME	TITLE OF THE PRESENTATION
GUEST OF HONOUR MODERATED BY: Ms. Renuka Vyas			
7.	4:45 PM - 5:00 PM	DR. SMT. MANGALA GOMARE Executive Health Officer, Public Health Department, Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, Mumbai, India.	WOMEN'S CONTRIBUTION IN PUBLIC HEALTH
SPECIAL GUEST MODERATED BY: Ms. Kavita Mishra Pandey			
8.	5:00 PM - 5:15 PM	PROF. NANDINI SARDESAI Activist and Former Head, Department of Sociology, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai Visiting Faculty of Mass Media.	SOCIAL ISSUES AFFECTING WOMEN AND GENDER PARITY
SPECIAL GUEST MODERATED BY: Dr. Anamika Purohit			
9.	5:15 PM - 5:30 PM	DR. ALKA SINGH Assistant Professor of English, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	SELECT WOMEN ISSUE: LITERATURE AND CULTURE
VALEDICTORY SPEAKER MODERATED BY: Ar. Mildred Jose			
10.	5:30 PM - 5:45 PM	DR. NASREEN RUSTOMFRAM Professor, Centre for Lifelong Learning, Tata Institute of Social Science, Mumbai, India.	THOSE WHO ROSE AGAINST THE TIDE
11.	5:45 PM - 5:55 PM	MS. PAMELA DHONDE Core Committee Member, Kaash Foundation	CONCLUDING REMARKS
12.	5:55 PM - 6:00 PM	AYESHA MUJAWAR Youth Brigade Member, Kaash Foundation	VOTE OF THANKS



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