Summary Report: International Women's Day 2025 Celebration at Government

Degree College Valloo Larnoo

Government Degree College Vailoo Larnoo, in collaboration with SPVLG Artisans Foundation, celebrated International Women's Day 2025, centered on the theme *Accelerate Action*. The event saw a large turnout, including staff members, students, Asha workers, and others. Key speakers for the program included:

- 1. Prof. Farooq Ahmad Pandith (In-charge Principal)
- Mohd Ashraf Wani, Director of SPVLG Artisans Foundation
- Syed Shahid Hussain, Branch Manager, J&K Bank Larnoo

The program commenced with introductory remarks by Mohd Ashraf Wani, who spoke about the SPVLG Artisans Foundation and its pivotal role in women's empowerment. He highlighted the significant contribution of women to societal progress and discussed the numerous challenges they face in their daily lives. He emphasized the importance of community, society, and the state in addressing these obstacles.

Mohd Ashraf Wani also focused on the *Project MAMTA*, an initiative run by the foundation to provide maternal assistance and nutritional support to tribal women. He outlined various health and nutrition programs designed to assist tribal women under this project.



Prof. Farooq Ahmad Pandith, the In-charge Principal, addressed the role of women in nurturing the next productive generation. He stressed the challenges women face in the digital and technological age and the essential skills required to remain competitive. He also spoke about the management skills that women exhibit in various aspects of life.

Syed Shahid Hussain, the branch manager of J&K Bank Larnoo, discussed the vital role of finance in empowering women. He educated the audience about various women-focused entrepreneurship schemes and the role of the bank in implementing these initiatives. He also reflected on the impact of mothers in shaping the careers and destinies of their children, citing several examples. He encouraged participants to protect and promote the dignity of women in all spheres of life.

The program concluded with a vote of thanks by Prof. Irshad Ahmad Sheikh.

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Government Degree College Vailoo Larnoo orchestrated an array of events in commemoration of International Women's Day 2025. These events encompassed an Essay Competition and a Debate on Gender Equality, both of which attracted a significant and engaged audience of students. The central theme for the essay competition, "The Role of Women in the Freedom Struggle of India," and for the debate, "Gender Equality," reflected the profound significance of women's contributions to both historical and contemporary societal structures.

The proceedings commenced with an insightful welcome address by the distinguished principal of the college, who not only urged the students to actively participate in such events but also called upon them to assume the mantle of ambassadors for women's rights. He emphasized the pivotal role of women in shaping the trajectory of global progress, underscored the multifaceted challenges women encounter daily, and elucidated the various systemic mechanisms and state-sponsored initiatives designed to dismantle these enduring barriers.

Dr. Gousia Yasmeen subsequently delivered an in-depth analysis on the complexities of gender equality. Her discourse illuminated the vital contributions of women throughout history and their continued importance in shaping a progressive future. She also drew attention to the pervasive forms of gender-based violence, including rape, eveteasing, and dowry harassment, which continue to afflict women in both the country at large and the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir (now a Union Territory). Dr. Gousia argued that these forms of violence have witnessed a troubling escalation, both nationally and at the UT level. Additionally, she critically examined the inherent flaws in the implementation of legislative measures intended to safeguard women's rights and well-being, identifying significant gaps in their enforcement.

The session culminated with an interactive Q&A segment, which fostered an engaging dialogue between the speaker and the audience, followed by a formal vote of thanks extended by Prof. Syed Mudasir.

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