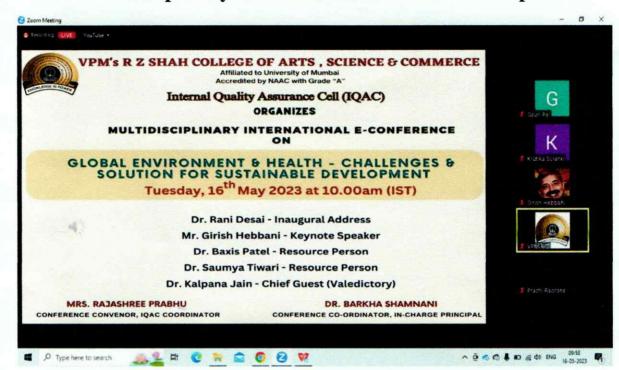


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#### **Multidisciplinary International E-Conference Report**



IQAC of VPM's R Z Shah College organized a Multidisciplinary International E-Conference on the theme "Global Environment Health & Solutions - Challenges & Solutions For Sustainable Development" through Zoom Meeting Platform on 16th May 2023.

The Conference sub-themes were categorized as follows - Gender and Health, Women Empowerment, Government and Healthcare, Women and Hygiene, Role of Government in Urbanization and Rural Health, Security and Women, Society and Women, Food Quality and Its Impact on Health, Urbanization and Human Health, Role of Women in Science and Technology, Gender and Environmental Hazards, Digital Support and Human Health, Migration of Labour, Adaptive Measures of ICTin Agricultural Sector, and Digitalization of Infrastructure.

Adv. Gauri Pai, from the Dept. of Commerce welcomed all the dignitaries, academicians, and students to the conference. The Inaugural Programme began by investigation lessings of the

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Almighty with a soulful prayer. This was followed by briefing about the College by In-charge Principal and Conference Chairperson, Dr. Barkha Shamnani. Mrs Rajashree Prabhu, Conference Convener gave a briefing about the Conference proceedings. She addressed growing concerns about environmental issues, their effects on the lives of living things, and the general environment. As a result, the conference's theme proved appropriate for the century. Mrs. Prabhu also mentioned that a total of 50 research papers were received from various colleges across India which will be compiled, edited and published in a reputed Peer review journal and UGC-Care Journals. On behalf of the College, the Conference Convenor also expressed gratitude to Dr. Vasundhara Mohan for her valuable guidance in planning and organizing the International Conference.

The Inaugural Address Speaker Dr. Rani Desai was introduced by Mr. Ravindra Phadke from the Arts Department. In her inaugural address, Dr. Rani Desai appreciated the suitability of the topic chosen, its vastness and the minute level thinking involved about the health and environment for the Conference. She asserted that the papers that would be presented would contribute to the country's sustainable growth. She, also, threw light on how the United Nation's 17 Sustainable Development Goals form a base for the Conference's topic with Health, Environment and Education being pillars for building a nation.

It was a privilege to have as Keynote speaker Mr. Girish Hebbani, General Manager at Bradken, who is based in Australia. Mr. Hebbani was introduced by Co-ordinator of Commerce & Management, Mrs. Prachi Raorane. Mr Girish Hebbani, who holds two patents in the field of technology, expressed grave concern about the issue of using up more of the planet's resources to the point that nothing will be left for sustainable development of future generations. Applying the RRR idea, one solution to this issue is to Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. The other way he suggested was through CSR projects, creating circular economy instead of a linear one, rain water harvesting, and going paperless.



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The session ended with Vote of Thanks proposed by Dr Kavita Sharma, Head of Arts Department.

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Dr. Vansundra Mohan, Hon. Gen Secretary. VPM shared her joy by stating that it was one of the best conferences she had attended. She appreciated the In-Charge Principal Dr. Barkha Shamnani and the whole team for triumph of the conference. She emphasized on how gender issue is playing a vital in sustainable development. She suggested that the topic of the subsequent conference be the political empowerment, social empowerment, and educational empowerment specified in SDG. Dr Vasundhara Mohan also announced the Best Papers of the Conference. Dr. Mrs. Pradnya Palekar - Shanbhag won Best Paper for her research on "Mouth Dissolve Films of Chlorhexidine: Boon for Oral Hygiene" in Research Scholars / Academicians category. Ms. Tanvi Patel won Best Paper for her topic on "Detection of Adulterants in Chilli Powder" in the Student category.

The Conference concluded with Vote of thanks proposed by Vice Principal, Mrs. Anjaneeka Uday.

Mrs. Rajashree Prabhu IQAC Coordinator

