

Two- Day International Conference
On
‘Embracing Diversity: Exploring
Third Gender Marriages and Gender
Equality’
(April 02nd – 03rd 2024)



A Brief Report

Organized by

**School of Legal Studies and Women Empowerment and Development Centre of
KR Mangalam University in collaboration with the Policy Research Center,
Bangladesh**

**Venue: Moot Court Room
K.R Mangalam University
Gurugram, India
Preface**

In a world where diversity is increasingly celebrated and yet often misunderstood, the pursuit of true equality remains a paramount challenge. It is within this context that the International Conference "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality" finds its purpose and significance. Organized jointly by the School of Legal Studies and Women Empowerment and Development Centre of KR Mangalam University, in collaboration with the esteemed Policy Research Center of Bangladesh, this conference stands as a beacon of scholarly engagement and advocacy.

The evolving landscape of gender rights and the recognition of diverse gender identities have propelled societies into a critical juncture of introspection and action. The exploration of third gender marriages, alongside the broader discourse on gender equality, necessitates nuanced deliberations and interdisciplinary collaborations. It is through such platforms that academia, policy-makers, activists, and stakeholders can converge to foster understanding, challenge existing paradigms, and pave the way for inclusive legal frameworks and societal norms.

The commitment of KR Mangalam University and the Policy Research Center of Bangladesh to host this conference underscores their dedication to fostering dialogue, knowledge exchange, and transformative change. By bringing together a diverse array of perspectives, experiences, and expertise, this conference endeavors to transcend geographical boundaries and contribute to the global dialogue on gender equality and social justice.

As we embark on this intellectual journey, it is imperative to acknowledge the invaluable contributions of the organizers, speakers, participants, and supporters who have made this endeavor possible. Their collective dedication and passion exemplify the spirit of collaboration and solidarity necessary to confront the challenges ahead. In the spirit of embracing diversity and promoting equality, may this conference serve as a catalyst for meaningful dialogue, actionable insights, and lasting change.

Acknowledgement

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the esteemed participants, speakers, scholars, and organizers who contributed to the success of the Two-Day International Conference on 'Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality.' This conference, organized by the School of Legal Studies and Women Empowerment and Development Centre of KR Mangalam University in collaboration with the Policy Research Center, Bangladesh, has been a platform for insightful discussions and meaningful exchanges on crucial issues of gender diversity and equality. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the management of K.R. Mangalam University for rendering unwavering support for organizing this conference.

We sincerely appreciate the dedication and commitment of our distinguished speakers who shared their expertise and perspectives, enriching our understanding of third gender marriages and the pursuit of gender equality. Special thanks to our esteemed partners, the Policy Research Center, Bangladesh, for their collaboration and support in making this conference a resounding success.

We are grateful to all the participants for their active engagement and valuable contributions, which have made this conference a truly enriching and enlightening experience. Lastly, we acknowledge the efforts of the organizing committee, volunteers, and staff members whose tireless work behind the scenes ensured the smooth conduct of this event.

‘Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality’

Objectives

- To facilitate a deeper understanding of third gender marriages.
- To promote gender equality and social inclusion.
- To foster interdisciplinary dialogue and collaboration.
- To explore the implications of third gender marriages on human rights and social progress.
- To identify best practices and strategies for advancing gender equality.
- To provide a platform for networking and collaboration.

Themes and Sub-Themes of the Conference

Theme: Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality

Sub-Themes:

1. Third Gender Identity and Expression
2. Legal and Policy Perspectives
3. Social Acceptance and Community Engagement
4. Intersectionality and Multiple Identities
5. Education and Awareness
6. Economic Empowerment and Employment
7. Health and Well-being 8. Media Representation and Advocacy

Day 1: April 2nd, 2024

Inaugural Session

The 5th International Conference on "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality" commenced on 2nd April 2024. It was organised by the School of Legal Studies and Women Empowerment and Development Centre of KR Mangalam University in collaboration with the Policy Research Center, Bangladesh. The conference aimed to foster meaningful discussions on pressing issues surrounding gender diversity and equality.

More than 65 young and dynamic faculties and research scholars shared a common platform to share their ideas and work.

The inaugural session, held in the morning, featured esteemed dignitaries who provided valuable insights into the conference's theme. The Chief Guest, Professor Naresh Vats from Rajeev Gandhi National Law University, along with Guests of Honour Professor Rajesh from Delhi University, Retd. Judge Nagendra Prasad from District Court, Ranchi, and Prof. Aqsa Shaikh from Jamia Hamdard University, shed light on the importance of embracing diversity and promoting gender equality in society.

The session began with a warm welcome extended by the Dr. Inderpreet Kaur, Associate Dean, School of Legal Studies. Dr. Shobhna Jeet, Convener of International conference and Chairperson of Women Empowerment and Development Centre at K.R. Mangalam University set the tone for the conference by highlighting the imperative of embracing diversity and advancing gender

equality as fundamental pillars of a just society and also emphasizing the significance of the conference theme in the contemporary socio-legal landscape.

Address representing the Policy Research Center of Bangladesh was also read by Dr. Shobhna Jeet who shed light on the socio-cultural dimensions of gender equality in the South Asian context. Their remarks emphasized the importance of contextualizing legal reforms within broader societal narratives and advocating for inclusive policies that address the intersecting inequalities faced by marginalized communities.

The Conference commenced with inaugural session presided over by Vice Chancellor of K.R Mangalam University Prof. (Dr.) Raghuvir Singh, who is also patron of the 5th international conference (SOLS). It was followed by various keynote addresses by various experts on third gender. Prof. (Dr.) Mehraj Mir gave legal opinion on third gender rights and other experts spoke on various inter-disciplinary aspects of third gender equality. The inaugural session of the International Conference on "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality" commenced with an atmosphere of anticipation and scholarly enthusiasm featured esteemed dignitaries who provided valuable insights into the conference's theme. the session drew together a distinguished gathering of academics, policymakers, activists, and stakeholders from across the globe.

Following it, the keynote address was given by, Professor Aqsa, whose enlightening presentation, despite being delivered online, has set the tone for what promises to be a thoughtprovoking and productive conference. Professor Aqsa, delivered a thought-provoking keynote address on the legal frameworks surrounding third gender marriages and the evolving jurisprudence of gender equality. Their presentation underscored the complexities and challenges inherent in ensuring legal recognition and protection for diverse gender identities.

During the session Retd. Judge Nagendra Prasad from District Court, Ranchi and Professor Rajesh from Delhi University delivered insightful addresses that enriched the discourse on the conference theme.

Retired Judge Nagendra Prasad brought a wealth of judicial experience to his address, offering practical insights into the adjudication of cases involving gender diversity and equality. He recounted landmark judgments and legal precedents that have shaped the jurisprudence of gender rights and highlighted the evolving role of the judiciary in interpreting and applying laws to protect the rights of marginalized communities. He emphasized the importance of judicial activism in advancing gender justice and called for greater sensitivity and awareness among legal practitioners towards the unique challenges faced by third gender individuals within the legal system.

Prof. Rajesh, a distinguished professor in gender studies, commenced his address by contextualizing the importance of embracing diversity within the framework of gender equality. He emphasized the need to move beyond binary understandings of gender and recognize the existence and rights of individuals who identify beyond traditional male and female categories. Prof. Rajesh articulated the theoretical underpinnings of third gender identities and highlighted the historical and cultural precedents of such identities in various societies around the world.

Drawing from his extensive research, Prof. Rajesh expounded on the legal challenges faced by third gender individuals, particularly in the realm of marriage and family law. He underscored the urgent need for legal reform to ensure the recognition and protection of third gender marriages, affirming the dignity and rights of individuals regardless of their gender identity. Prof. Rajesh's address served as a call to action for policymakers, legal practitioners, and activists to advocate for inclusive legal frameworks that reflect the diverse realities of gender expression and identity.

Both Prof. Rajesh and Retired Judge Nagendra Prasad addresses sparked meaningful dialogue among conference participants, prompting reflections on the intersectionality of gender, law, and social justice. Their perspectives contributed to a deeper understanding of the complexities surrounding third gender marriages and underscored the imperative of collective action in dismantling barriers to equality.

The inaugural session culminated with address by Chief Guest, Professor Naresh Vats from Rajeev Gandhi National Law University.

Professor Naresh Vats, delivered a compelling address that resonated deeply with attendees. His insightful remarks served to galvanize participants and underscored the urgency of the conference theme in the global pursuit of justice and equality. Drawing upon his extensive expertise in gender studies and social activism, Professor Vats eloquently articulated the interconnectedness of gender equality with broader struggles for human rights and dignity. He underscored the importance of acknowledging and respecting the inherent worth and agency of every individual, regardless of their gender identity or expression.

Furthermore, Professor Vats highlighted the role of academia, civil society, and policymakers in driving positive change and dismantling systemic barriers to equality. He urged participants to harness the power of education, research, and advocacy to challenge existing norms and promote inclusive policies that affirm the rights and dignity of all individuals, irrespective of gender.

Throughout his address, Professor Vats emphasized the need for intersectional approaches that recognize and address the multiple forms of discrimination and marginalization faced by individuals belonging to diverse gender communities. He called upon attendees to embrace

diversity not merely as a concept, but as a lived reality that enriches our societies and strengthens our collective humanity.

As the inaugural session of the International Conference on "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality" drew to a close, Dr. Megha, the convener of the International conference, extended a heartfelt vote of thanks to all those who contributed to the success of the session. Her words encapsulated the spirit of gratitude and appreciation for the collaborative effort that brought together scholars, activists, policymakers, and stakeholders from diverse backgrounds.

Technical Sessions

Following the inaugural session, the conference delved into its technical sessions, which were chaired by eminent scholars and experts in the field. Based on the objectives and theme of the conference these papers were divided into various technical sessions and research papers into four thematic divisions. Those thematic divisions were **Gender Identity and expression, Legal Policy and social framework, Community Engagement and Intersectionality, Empowerment, wellbeing and Advocacy**. All the presenters were given 15 minutes to present their work. The first online technical session, chaired by Prof. (Dr.) Komal, IILM University focused on "Gender Identity and Expression." The session was co-chaired by Ms. Sadhana Nirban, Assistant Professor, School of Legal studies, K.R. Mangalam University. Scholars presented papers exploring various aspects of gender identity, expression, and its implications on societal norms and perceptions.

The second online technical session, chaired by Dr. Misha Bahmani, Assistant Professor, IILM University cantered on "Legal, Policy, and Social Frameworks." Presenters discussed the legal and policy frameworks governing gender equality and the challenges faced in implementing inclusive policies. The session was co-chaired by Ms. Amrita Singh and Ms. Kriti Kaushik from School of Legal studies, K.R. Mangalam University.

Day 2: April 03rd, 2024

Technical Sessions

Building upon the momentum of day 1, the second day of the conference continued with three more technical sessions, each addressing specific facets of the conference theme.

Online Technical Session 3 on Community Engagement and Intersectionality was Chaired by Prof. Anita Yadav and co-chaired by Ms. Aarti Lamba and Ms. Parul from School of Legal studies, K.R. Mangalam University. This session explored the role of community engagement in promoting diversity and inclusion, with a particular focus on intersectionality. Various scholars presented papers on the intersectional experiences of marginalized communities and strategies for fostering inclusive environments.

Technical Session 4 held offline at Moot Court room at K.R. Mangalam University centred around Empowerment, Wellbeing, and Advocacy Chaired by Prof. Nighat Basu, Professor at Central university of Kashmir and Dr. Rakesh Malik, Assistant Professor at SGT University. The session was co-chaired by Ms. Gargi Singh, Assistant Professor, School of Legal studies, K.R.

Mangalam University. The fourth technical session examined avenues for empowerment, focusing on the well-being and advocacy efforts for marginalized gender groups. Presentations highlighted the importance of holistic empowerment approaches and the role of advocacy in challenging systemic inequalities.

Technical Session 5 also an offline session centered on the theme of Gender Identity and Empowerment. It was chaired by Dr. Teena, Assistant Professor, G.D Goenka University and Dr. Mamta Shankar, Assistant Professor, K.R. Mangalam University. The co-chair was Ms. Akanksha Singh, Assistant Professor, School of Legal studies, K.R. Mangalam University. In the final technical session, scholars discussed strategies for promoting gender identity affirmation and empowerment. Presentations explored initiatives aimed at enhancing the socio-economic status and political participation of gender-diverse individuals. **Valedictory Session**

The conference concluded with a valedictory session, graced by Advocate Mauritius and UN Gender Expert Mokshda Pertaub and Dr. Nidhi Saxena, Assistant Professor, Sikkim University. Advocate Mokshda delivered insightful addresses on the significance of advancing gender equality globally and focused on the Mauritian view of the issue. Dr. Nidhi Saxena shared valuable perspectives on the way forward in achieving inclusive societies.

Mr. Thomas the convener of the International conference delivered a concluding address, summarizing the key highlights and takeaways from the conference. Certificates of participation were then presented to all presenters and the student team by Prof. Mehraj, and the organizing team faculties: Dr. Shobhna, Dr. Megha, Mr. Prashant, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Khursheed.

The conference concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks by Mr. Prashant, expressing gratitude to all dignitaries, participants, and organisers for their valuable contributions in making the event a resounding success.

Outcome

The International Conference on "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality" concluded with resounding success, marking a significant milestone in the ongoing global discourse on gender rights and social justice. Over the course of the conference, participants engaged in dynamic discussions, exchanged valuable insights, and forged meaningful connections, contributing to a collective understanding of the challenges and opportunities in advancing gender equality.

One of the key outcomes of the conference was the heightened awareness and recognition of the complexities surrounding third gender marriages and the broader spectrum of gender identities. Through scholarly presentations, panel discussions, and interactive sessions, attendees gained deeper insights into the legal, social, and cultural dimensions of gender diversity, paving the way for more informed and inclusive approaches to policy-making and advocacy.

Moreover, the conference served as a platform for interdisciplinary collaboration, bringing together academics, policymakers, activists, and stakeholders from diverse fields and backgrounds. This interdisciplinary exchange fostered innovative thinking and novel approaches to addressing the multifaceted challenges faced by individuals belonging to marginalized gender communities.

Another significant outcome of the conference was the emergence of actionable recommendations and best practices for promoting gender equality and social inclusion. Participants identified opportunities for policy reform, community engagement, and capacitybuilding initiatives aimed at dismantling systemic barriers and advancing the rights and dignity of all individuals, irrespective of gender identity or expression.

As attendees departed from the conference enriched with new perspectives and insights, the spirit of solidarity and commitment to embracing diversity remained palpable. The conference served as a catalyst for continued dialogue, advocacy, and action, inspiring participants to redouble their efforts in creating a more just and inclusive world for future generations.

Conclusion: The 5th International Conference on "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages and Gender Equality" provided a platform for meaningful discourse and engagement on crucial issues pertaining to gender diversity and equality. Through a series of insightful sessions

and presentations, the conference contributed to fostering a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities in promoting inclusivity and empowerment for all gender identities.

Pictures:



Picture 1: Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Raghubir Singh addressing the august gathering at International conference.



Picture 2: Participant presenting her research paper.



Picture 3: Participant presenting his research paper.

Annexure I



K.R. MANGALAM UNIVERSITY
THE COMPLETE WORLD OF EDUCATION



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5th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**EMBRACING DIVERSITY:
EXPLORING THIRD GENDER
MARRIAGES AND GENDER
EQUALITY**

2ND AND 3RD APRIL 2024



ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

K.R.MANGALAM UNIVERSITY is a State Private University established in 2013 under Haryana Private Universities Act and is empowered to award degrees under section 2f of the UGC Act, 1956. The university is located at wonderful location with magnificent view of Aravalli hills and spread over 26 acres where students breathe in a pollution- free, healthy, and sustainable environment. The University has been striving to fulfil its prime objective of transforming young lives through ground breaking pedagogy, global collaborations, and world-class infrastructure.

Mission

K.R. Mangalam University aspires to become an internationally recognized institution of higher learning through excellence in inter-disciplinary education, research and innovation, preparing socially responsible life-long learners contributing to nation building.

Vision

KRMU is committed to Foster employability and entrepreneurship through futuristic curriculum and progressive pedagogy with cutting-edge technology

- Instil notion of lifelong learning through stimulating research, Outcomes-based education and innovative thinking
- Integrate global needs and expectations through collaborative programs with premier universities, research centres, industries and professional bodies
- Enhance leadership qualities among the youth having understanding of ethical values and environmental realities

ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF LEGAL STUDIES

School of Legal Studies

School Of Legal Studies at K.R. Mangalam University offers Bar Council of India (BCI) approved five year BBA LL.B. (H) integrated programme with specialization, five- year B.Com. LL.B. (H) integrated programme with specialization, five-year BA LL.B. (H) integrated programme with specialization, three-year LL.B. (H) programme with specialization and One Year LL.M. programme. These law programmes have the distinct objective of equipping the students with knowledge, skills and attitude so as to make them capable of successfully meeting the present requirements and future challenges in legal profession. The courses are intended to impart intensive knowledge and training in the law subjects as well as the non-law subjects and help students to acquire wider perspective both for managerial responsibilities and professional application and train them for a successful career.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The concept of gender has evolved over time, challenging traditional binary understandings and acknowledging the existence of diverse gender identities. In recent years, the recognition and acceptance of third gender individuals have gained momentum, leading to significant legal and societal developments, including the recognition of third gender marriages. This conference aims to delve into the topic of third gender marriages, examining its implications for gender equality, human rights, and social progress. By exploring the legal, social, and cultural dimensions, this conference seeks to foster dialogue and understanding, addressing the challenges and opportunities associated with the recognition and acceptance of third gender marriages. Through interdisciplinary discussions and sharing of best practices, the conference will contribute to the on-going efforts in advancing gender equality and building inclusive societies that respect and celebrate gender diversity.

This conference will provide an opportunity for scholars, activists, legal experts, policymakers, and individuals with lived experiences to come together, share insights, and engage in meaningful conversations. By collectively examining the topic of third gender marriages, the conference aims to contribute to broader discussions on gender equality, human rights, and social inclusion. Together, let's embrace diversity and work towards creating a world that recognizes and respects the rights and marriages of all individuals, regardless of their gender identity.

The conference will contribute to the on-going efforts to advance gender equality, challenge societal norms, and promote inclusive legal frameworks that recognize and respect the rights of individuals in third gender marriages. By embracing diversity and exploring this evolving topic, the conference seeks to foster positive change and create a more inclusive and equitable society for all.

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KEY THEMES

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PRESENTATION AND PUBLICATION

Selected research paper after the double-blind review by experts will be published in the edited book with ISBN number. The shortlisted papers will also be published in Scopus Indexed Journal with additional fees for the same.

The paper can be presented online as well as offline.

Please note that accommodation will **NOT** be provided by the organizers to any participants.

PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Selection of papers for presentation will be based on abstracts. An abstract must include a clear indication of the purpose of research, methodology, major results, implications and key references. They should adhere to the following:

1. Abstract & full paper must contain the name of the author/s, complete address, e-mail id and mobile number. The abstract should not exceed 350 words including the title and references.
2. Citations and references should comply with the APA style (Management).
3. Submission must be in MS-Word format (no other format will be accepted) with all four sides 1 inch margin. It should be typed in Times New Roman with font size of 12, the Paper title in 14 (Bold) and all sub-headings in 12 (Bold) and line spacing at 1.5.
4. Submit full paper via email to:
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5. A full paper must include a clear indication of the purpose of research, methodology, major results, and its implications. It should not exceed 3500 words.

FEE PAYMENT VIA UPI



REGISTRATION LINK

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LAST DAY TO SUBMIT THE PAPER

30th March 2024

REGISTRATION FEES

Foreign Participants	USD 18 per person
Corporate Delegates	Rs. 1500 per person
Academicians	Rs. 1200 per person
Research Scholars and Students	Rs. 500 per person



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Annexure II

**5th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
EMBRACING DIVERSITY: EXPLORING THIRD GENDER
MARRIAGES AND GENDER EQUALITY**

Program Schedule Dated 2ND APRIL 2024 – 3RD APRIL 2024

Chief Guest: Professor Naresh Vats (Rajeev Gandhi National Law University)

Guests of Honour: Professor Rajesh (HOD DACEE-Department of Adult & Continuing Education & Extension, Delhi University)
Retd. Judge Nagendra Prasad, (District Court, Ranchi)
Prof. Aqsa Shaikh (Department of Community Medicine, Jamia Hamdard University)

	DAY – 1 (2ND APRIL 2024)
11:00 AM	Lighting of the Lamp
11:05 AM	Welcome Speech by Dr. Inderpreet Kaur
11:10 AM	About the conference by Dr. Shobhna Jeet
11:15 AM	Inauguration of the Seminar by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Raghuvir Singh
11:20AM	Keynote address by Prof. Aqsa Shaikh (Department of Community Medicine, Jamia Hamdard University)
11: 30 AM	Address by Prof. Mehraj Uddin Mir
11:40 AM	Address by Retd Judge Nagendra Prasad (District Court, Ranchi)
12:05 PM	Keynote Address by Professor Rajesh (HOD DACEE) Department of Adult & Continuing Education & Extension)
12:25PM	Inaugural Address by Chief Guest Professor Naresh Vats (Professor Rajeev Gandhi National Law University, Patiala)
12: 45 PM	Vote Of Thanks by Dr. Megha Garg
12: 50PM	LUNCH

Day 1	(2nd APRIL 2024)
01:30 PM	Technical Session I: (Gender Identity and Expression) Prof. Chair: (Dr.) Komal

	<p>Co-Chair: Ms. Kritika Kakkar Ms. Sadhana Nirban</p> <p>Paper presenter: 1. Varuna Shankar 2. Vishal Gogne 3. Shilpa Sharma 4. Rameez Raza 5. Srinwanti Mitra 6. Leena Chabbra 7. Theodora Cecilia Gomes 8. Praachi Tewari Gandhi 9. Nidhi Upadhyay 10. Swechha Malik 11. Averi Bhimta 12. Dolly Kaushik</p> <p>Rapporteur: Deepak</p>
01:30 PM	<p>Technical Session (Legal, Policy and Social Frameworks) Dr. Misha Bahmania</p> <p>II: Chair: Misha Bahmania</p> <p>Co-Chair Ms. Amrita Singh Ms. Kriti Kaushik</p> <p>Paper Presenter 1. Mohini Taneja 2. Priyanka 3. Kanupriya 4. Garima Mittal 5. Sabhyta 6. Divya Sharma 7. Rajni Kaushal 8. Adarsh Nim 9. Saksham Shahi, Sudikshya Pudasaini & Rejina Basnet 10. Divya Aggarwal 11. Viraj Khatter 12. Disha 13. Sadaf Khan Aggarwal</p> <p>Rapporteur: Anmol</p>
DAY – 2	(3RD APRIL – 2024)

10:00 AM	<p>Technical Session III (Community engagement and Intersectionality)</p> <p>Chair: Prof. Anita Yadav (Asst. Prof Delhi University)</p> <p>Co-Chair: Ms. Aarti Lamba Ms. Parul</p> <p>Paper presenter: 1. Naresh Garg 2. Dr. Renu Verma & Rohini Kumari 3. Bushra 4. Sakshi Mathur 5. Sreshta Ann John & Allen Prince 6. Abhishek Sharma 7. Kartik 8. Kajal 9. Anirudh 10. Anandini 11. Sani 12. Aditi 13. RaviKant Dixit 14. Bhanupriya Kaushal</p> <p>Rapporteur: Pooja</p>
11:00AM	<p>Offline Session IV (Empowerment, Wellbeing and Advocacy)</p> <p>Chair: Prof. Nighat Basu (Professor, Central University of Kashmir) Dr. Rakesh Malik</p> <p>Co-Chair: Ms. Gargi Singh</p> <p>Paper presenter: 1. Amrita Singh & Kriti Kaushik 2. Chandni 3. Sangeeta Sriram 4. Saloni 5. Sahil Rana 6. Mr. Thomas 7. Rebecca 8. Trilok Kumar Singh</p> <p>Rapporteur: Aakash</p>

12:30PM	Offline Session V (Empowerment, Wellbeing and Advocacy) Chair: Dr. Mamta Shankar Dr. Teena Co-Chair: Ms. Akanksha Singh Paper presenter: 1. Prof. Prakash Jena 2. Dr. Ritwik 3. Ms. Rohini 4. Dr. Aaqib 5. Karan Singh 6. Neelima 7. Palak Madan 8. Dr. Manju Rani Rapporteur: Archisha
1:45 PM	High Tea
2:30 PM	Valedictory Address by Mokshda Pertaub (Advocate Mauritius and UN Gender Expert)
3:10 PM	Dr. Nidhi Saxena (Asst. prof Department of law-Central University of Sikkim)
3:25 PM	Concluding Remarks and Vote of Thanks by Mr. Thomas, Mr. Prashant, Mr. Khursheed Jamil

ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF INVITED SPEAKERS & SESSION CHAIRS

Sr. No.	Invited Speakers & Session Chairs Name	Organization	Contact Details (email, phone)	Session Day and Time	Topic

1	Prof. Aqsa Shaikh	Department of Community Medicine, Jamia Hamdard University	aqsasashaikh@himsr.co.in <aqsasashaikh@himsr.co.in>	Inaugural Session on 2nd April 2024 at 11:20	Keynote Address Third Gender real life challenges
2	Retd. Judge Nagendra Prasad	(District Court, Ranchi)	nagendrapjfc.hzb@gmail.com	Inaugural Session on 2nd April 2024 at 11:40	Third Gender and their inclusion in Laws
3	Professor Rajesh	(HOD DACEE) Department of Adult & Continuing Education & Extension		Inaugural Session on 2nd April 2024 at 12:05	Keynote Address
4	Professor Naresh Vats	Professor, Dean Galgotia University	Prof Dr Naresh Vats vatsnaresh@rgnul.ac.in	Inaugural Session on 2nd April 2024 at 12:25	Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages And Gender Equality
5	Prof. (Dr.) Komal Sandhu	Dean, LL.M Program, IILM University	Komal@iilm.edu	Technical Session I: 2nd April 1:30PM	Gender Identity and Expression
6	Dr. Misha Bahmania	IILM University	misha@iilm.edu	Technical Session I: 2nd April 1:30PM	Legal, Policy and Social Frameworks

7	Dr. Anita Yadav	Delhi University	ayadav@clc.du.ac.in	Technical Session III 3 rd April 10:AM	Community engagement and Intersectionality
8	Prof. Nighat Basu	Professor, Central University of Kashmir)		Technical Session IV 3 rd April 11:AM	Empowerment , Wellbeing and Advocacy
9	Dr. Teena	GD Goenka University	teena444parmar@gmail.com	Technical Session V 3 rd April 12:30 PM	Empowerment , Wellbeing and Advocacy)
10	Advocate Mokshda Pertaub	Advocate Mauritius and UN Gender Expert	mokshdapertaub@gmail.	Valedictory Address 3 rd April	Marriage laws for third gender in Mauritius and India
11	Dr.Nidhi Saxena	Central University of Sikkim	nidhisaxena.law@gmail.com	Valedictory Address 3 rd April	Legal, Policy and Social Frameworks

Annexure IV List
of Attendees



BEST PAPER AWARD

This Certificate Is Proudly Awarded To

Vishal Gogne, Research Scholar, Faculty of Law, SGT University

For Participating and Presenting a paper titled Third Gender Marriage - A Recognition of Privacy Rights
in two-day 5th International Conference on "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages And Gender Equality".

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2nd & 3rd April, 2024
Date



CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Theodora Cecilia Gomes, PhD Scholar, Indian Institute of Technology (ISM)

For Participating and Presenting a paper titled RAINBOWS OF RESISTANCE: A CHRONICLE OF QUEER PRIDE WALKS IN INDIA
in two-day 5th International Conference on "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages And Gender Equality".

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Your dedication to research and your insightful presentation demonstrated your commitment to academic excellence. We commend your efforts in advancing knowledge and fostering intellectual discussions during the conference.

Kaur
Associate Dean

Shobhna
International Conference
Convenor

02/04/2024
Date



CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Praachi Tiwari Gandhi, PhD Scholar, G D Goenka University

For Participating and Presenting a paper titled The Language of Empowerment from Women Micro-Entrepreneurs of Financial Inclusion in Gujarat
in two-day 5th International Conference on "Embracing Diversity: Exploring Third Gender Marriages And Gender Equality".

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CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO

Dr. Ravikant Dixit, Academician, Shobhit University, Saharanpur

For Participating and Presenting a paper titled The Importance of Education and Awareness about Third Gender: Breaking Barriers and Promoting Inclusivity
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Your dedication to research and your insightful presentation demonstrated your commitment to academic excellence. We commend your efforts in advancing knowledge and fostering intellectual discussions during the conference.

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