

Southern Regional Workshop on Documenting Contributions of Women's Movements. Women's Organization and women 18& 19.02.2016



The Departments of Women's Studies Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, University of Madras, Indian Association for Women's Studies (IAWS), New Delhi & Regional Association for Women's Studies jointly organized two day Southern Regional Workshop on Documenting Contributions of Women's Movements. Women's Organization and women 18& 19.02.2016 which was coordinated by Women's Studies Centers of Ethiraj College & Stella Maris College, Chennai. The objective of the workshop is to make an 'interface' between Women Studies and Women's Movements ie to make connection between the two systems. **Dr.A.K.Jayasree**, Dept. of Community Medicine, Pariyaram Medical College, Kerala presented a paper on the topic **Struggles for Sexuality and Health Rights**. **Ms. A. Arul Mozhi**, Advocate, Madras High Court dealt on the topic **Periarism and Women's Emancipation**. She began her speech by stating that Pain and Tear requires no language. **Ms.FathimaBurnard**, SRED, Thiruvallur district, Tamil Nadu spoke on the topic Combating Caste and Gender Issues in Tamil Nadu. **Dr. S.Anandhi**, MIDS, Chennai presented the findings of her research study conducted on the topic Caste, Gender and Development. **Mrs. Abirami** of Surakottai, Thanjavur district in Tamil Nadu shared her personal experience as a victim of the cruel honour killing which is still practised in Tamil Nadu. **Ms. Lucy Xavier**, Women's Coordination Committee spoke on the topic Raising Feminist Consciousness on Caste and Gender Issues in Tamil Nadu. Finally It is strongly recommended that the deliberations presented in the workshop should be taken as an effective implementation of the National Policy to eradicate the social evil of untouchability which is still

being strongly practised in the country. Stringent measures should be taken against the perpetrators and against the officer who fails to take action against the wrongdoers.