



## ICSSR SPONSORED NATIONAL SEMINAR

On

**“Celebrating Women in Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav”**

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023**

**Organized by**

**Department of Political Science Lakshmibai College, University of Delhi.**

The nation is celebrating “Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav”. This occasion calls for celebrating the participation and contribution of women in attainment of Swaraj, who played a pro-active role in challenging the colonial rule. They were not just silent spectators in the awakening of ‘swa’ in quest for Swaraj but were more than just an individual self.

The realization of ‘Swa’ or ‘self’ among women was perhaps the most challenging task during the national struggle. At this juncture, the contribution of women played an important role in bringing important issues, especially the ones related to women in almost every sphere of society. Through their participation, they spread awareness against the existing norms responsible for the subordinate status of women. Education, widow marriage, plight of migrant women taken in the trap of indentured labor, activism in the political and social spheres, fierce protection of environment were some of the issues in which women played an important role. These issues undoubtedly provide an insight into gender relations, social structure, political and social changes and diverse responses of women to the changing environment.

Participation of women played an important role in highlighting women issues on a larger platform during freedom movement. It was a constant struggle against the colonial structures, institutions and practices. Their contribution in mobilizing the masses against the British rule had been commendable.

This seminar seeks to explore the role of women in struggle for independence. The idea is to honor the unsung or unacknowledged women who played vital role in India's freedom struggle yet have not been celebrated in the traditional narratives of the freedom struggle. To discuss the role of women during struggle for freedom, this seminar is divided into four broad themes.

1. Women Participation in Social Reform
2. Women in Media
3. Political Participation of Women
4. Culture, Tradition, Environment and Women.

### **Important Points:**

- Papers should be written in Hindi or English.
- Word limit for abstract: 200-250 words.
- Word limit for final paper: 4000-6000 words.
- Last date of Abstract Submission: 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023.
- Link for submission of abstracts: <https://forms.gle/wKJqfFXJREgsHP3S9>
- Communication of Acceptance: 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023.
- Last date of Paper Submission: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023.
- No accommodation or TA/DA would be provided to the participants.
- Edited book would be published with selected papers.
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