WOMAN DEVELOPMENT CENTRE/COUNSELLING COMMITTEE

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Woman Development Centre/Counselling Committee and the Journalism Society, Kalindi College hosted insightful seminar "News, Narrative, and Nari Shakti" on 7th March 2025 on the occasion of International Women's Day. The event was held under the guidance of Prof. Meena Charanda, Principal, Kalindi College; Dr. Manisha Tomar, Convenor and Teacher-in-Charge, Department of Journalism; Dr. Meenakshi Verma, Co-convenor, Woman Development Centre/Counselling Committee along with student advisors Dr. Aahana Chopra and Dr. Mamta. Students from all three years of the Journalism program attended the event, along with faculty members Dr. Gyamar Nemey, Dr. Praveen Gautam, and Dr. Vinay Rai. The highlight of the event was a compelling panel discussion featuring distinguished speakers—Dr. Lipakshi Khurana, Senior News Anchor at DD News, and Chandrika Joshi, Renowned Newsreader at All India Radio. Both speakers shared powerful insights into the evolving portrayal of women in media narratives. Dr. Khurana critically addressed the limitations of mainstream media in representing women, noting how they are often depicted either as victims or as symbols of resilience, rarely as complex individuals shaping the sociopolitical landscape. She called for a paradigm shift in journalistic practices to ensure women's voices are represented with authenticity and depth. Chandrika Joshi emphasized the transformative power of storytelling in challenging stereotypes and dismantling patriarchal narratives. She highlighted how digital platforms have emerged as vital spaces for women to share their unfiltered stories, fostering awareness and driving social change. The student audience engaged actively in the discussion, raising pertinent concerns about the portrayal of women in the media. They observed that news coverage often sensationalizes women's issues or positions them as exceptions in male-dominated spheres, rather than portraying them as active agents of change. Several students underscored the need for more nuanced, gendersensitive reporting that reflects the real challenges and contributions of women in society. Both speakers concluded with a strong message: True Nari Shakti-women's empowerment—can only be realized when media narratives transcend tokenism and embrace inclusivity. They urged budding journalists and media professionals to take responsibility in crafting stories that reflect the diverse and dynamic roles of women in today's world. The event served as a powerful reminder that the media is not merely a reflection of society, but a tool with the potential to reshape it—one story at a time.

Kalindi College, University of Delhi, in collaboration with Seema Jagaran Manch and Akhil Bhartiya Poorva Sainik Seva Parishad, organized "Seema Samvad" on March 25, 2025. Themed "Women's Participation in Indian National Security," the event featured Dr. Seema Singh (Dept. of Law, DU) as the speaker, with Principal Prof. Meena Charanda chairing the session. Dr. Shreesh Kumar Pathak (Amity University) served as co-speaker. The session highlighted women's growing involvement in national defense and security sectors. Coordinated by Dr. Akhilesh Mishra, Dr. Arti Singh, Dr. Manisha Arora, and Dr. Manisha Tomar, the program inspired students with stories of courage and service.

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