



# National Dalit and Adivasi Women's Congress

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Library Conference Hall, TISS, Mumbai

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9.45am: Welcome Address by Conference Organizers		
<b>Day I: Session 1</b>		
<b>Dalit &amp; Adivasi Women's Movement: History and Politics</b>		
<b>10.00-1.00pm</b>	<b>Chairperson: Rekha Raj</b>	
	Dayamani Barla	Tribal Women Activism: The Struggles Against Exploitation & Marginalization of Tribal Communities
	Samata Mane	Struggles of Nomadic & Denotified Tribal Women in India
	Sivakami	Presence of Dalit & Adivasi Women in Public Sphere: A Case of Political Parties
	Manisha Tokale	Thoughts of Ambedkar, Phule and Shahu: Experiences of Working on Atrocities Against Dalit Women
<b>Day I: Session 2</b>		
<b>Confronting Invisibility-Articulating Dalit &amp; Adivasi Women's Realities</b>		
<b>2.00-5.15pm</b>	<b>Chairperson: Dr. Sujatha Surepally</b>	
	Dr. Abhinaya Kamble	Dalit & Adivasi Women as Agents of Critical & Emancipatory Knowledge
	Dr. Gomati Bodra	Image and Reality: Portrayal of Tribal Women in Media
	Gogu Shyamala	Roots of the Family Culture: Dalit Feminist Perspective
	Rekha Raj	Dalit Women As Political Agents: Kerala Experiences
	Razia Patel	Socio-economic status of Muslim Nomadic Tribes
<b>Day I: Session 3</b>		
<b>Fighting Rape, Sexual Violence &amp; Atrocities Against Dalit &amp; Adivasi Women</b>		
<b>6.00-8.30pm</b>	<b>Chairperson: Sivakami</b>	
	Vaishali Bhandwalkar	Violence against Nomadic and Denotified Tribal Women in Maharashtra
	Asha Kowtal	Challenging Sexual Violence Against Dalit Women in Haryana
	Sister Jemma	Struggles Against Exploitation of Dalit & Adivasi Women in Chottanagpur
	Shobha Gasti	Dalit Women Struggle Against Devdasi Traditions in Karnataka
<b>Day II: Session 4</b>		
<b>Dalit &amp; Adivasi Literature as a Form of Protest- Our Categories, Our Politics</b>		
<b>10.00-1.00pm</b>	<b>Chairperson: Hira Bansode</b>	
	Dr. Arjumand Ara	Urdu Literature, Muslim Women and The Caste Question
	Dr. Varsha Ayyar	Revisiting Dalit Women Marathi Literature
	Dr Kaushal Panwar	Balmiki Women in literature
	Anita Bharti	Writings of Dalit Women Writers in Indian Literature
	Dr. Ivy Imogene Hansdak	The Women's Voice in Contemporary Tribal Literature: Nirmala Putul, C.K. Janu, Temsula Ao & Mamang Dai

<b>Day II: Session 5</b>		
<b>Providing Leadership: Experiences of Dalit &amp; Adivasi Women Community Leader</b>		
<b>2.00-4.00pm</b>	<b>Moderator: Dr. Anju Helen Bara</b>	
	Rajni Tilak	Rashtriya Dalit Mahila Andolan, New Delhi
	Pushpa Balmiki	Founder, Dalit Mahila Mukti Manch, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
	Seetawwa	Mahila Abhivruddhi Mattu Samrakshana Samasthe, Karnataka
	Iravathy Maang	Mahila Abhivruddhi Mattu Samrakshana Samasthe, Karnataka
	Suman Devathiya	State Convener, Dalit Mahila Manch, Rajasthan
<b>Day II: Session 6 (Parallel Session One)- Open Discussion</b>		
<b>Deconstructing Professions: The Experiences of Dalit &amp; Adivasi Women Professional</b>		
<b>4.15-6.15pm</b>	<b>Chairperson: Professor Sonajharia Minz</b>	
	Nisha Kamble	Management Professional
	Rahi Gaikwad	Journalist
	Sunita Munda	Development Professional
	Amrapalli	Lawyer
	Anita Lokhande	Media Professional
	Shalini Ghodke Arya	Scientist
<b>Day II: Session 6 (Parallel Session Two)- Academic Paper Presentations</b>		
<b>Locating Experiences of Dalit, Adivasi, NT &amp; DNT Women: From Context to Text</b>		
<b>4.15-6.15pm</b>	<b>Chairperson: Dr.Varsha Ayyar</b>	
	Minashree Horo	Understanding Communitization within the NRHM: A case of Village Health and Sanitation Committies(VHSC) in Jharkhand
	Minakshi Gautam	Hindi Dalit Sahitya Mein Purushsattai Bhasha, Sanskriti Aur Dharm Kee Rajniti
	Preethi.L.N.	Dalit and Adivasi Women: Social Exclusion in Premier Educational Institutions
	Pradnya Kamble	Problems Faced by Urban Slum Adolescent Girls in Education
	Morish Salu Gangaram	Parampara, Adhunikta aur Ling: Dangi Adivasi Mahilayon Ki Pehchaan
	Prameela K.P.	Politics of Representation: Writings on Violence against Dalit Women in Malayalam Print Media
	Shweta Barge	Invisible Women within the Realities of Nomadic Tribes and Denotified Tribes
<b>Day II: Session 7</b>		
<b>Dalit &amp; Adivasi Student's Movements- Our Position, Our Contribution</b>		
<b>6.30-8.00pm</b>	<b>Chairperson: Manju Rao (Lucknow University)</b>	
	Ashwini Shelke	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
	Payal Gaikwad	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar College, Nagpur
	Savita	Allahabad Agricultural University, Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh
	Priti Kumari	Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
	Archana Zende	Pune University, Pune
	Vandana Parmar	Central University of Gujarat, Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat
<b>8-8.15pm: Vote of Thanks by National Organizing Committee</b>		