

## **‘Samanvay’, Annual Award Ceremony, on April 9 2025**

Indraprastha College for Women observed ‘Samanvay,’ the college’s annual award ceremony, on April 9, Wednesday, by honouring the achievements of its students from 9:30 AM onwards at the college premises. The event was graced by the Hon’ble Chief Minister of Delhi, Smt. Rekha Gupta, who presented awards to meritorious students in academic and co-curricular fields. Addressing the ceremony, Hon’ble Chief Minister of Delhi, Smt. Rekha Gupta emphasized the importance of empowering girls through education and self-belief, while upholding the spirit of “Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao, Beti Badhao.” She encouraged young women to stand firm for their rights, trusting that clarity in thought and integrity in action will always lead the way. She remarked, “You are like a river, aware of your own strength and flow. Wherever you choose to go, you will carve your own path.” The Principal of Indraprastha College for Women, Prof. Poonam Kumria, stated, “An institution is built with time, effort, and love and what we have before us is not just a building, but a canvas filled with ideas, inspiration, and innovation.” Her words aptly encapsulate the vision and values upon which the institution stands, reflecting its continued commitment to excellence in education and holistic development. On April 9, 1924, Indraprastha Girls’ School, the predecessor of the present-day college, was recognized as an intermediate college, authorised to prepare students for admission to degree courses at the University of Delhi. This recognition laid the groundwork for the formation of Indraprastha College for Women. As part of its celebrations, the college commemorated this historic milestone with the recognition of the young Putri Pathshaala, which set in motion a distinguished legacy of women’s education and empowerment. Over the past 100 years, Indraprastha College for Women has nurtured numerous accomplished individuals who have made significant contributions across diverse fields. Among its distinguished alumnae were Sucheta Kriplani, Chitra Narayanan, Padma Bhushan Sharan Rani Backliwal, Professor Sunita Jain, Professor Nirmala Jain, Dr. Vasudha Gupta, Jaspinder Narula, Neetu Chandra, Salma Sultan, Kanchan Chaudhary Bhattacharya, and Kavita Chaudhary Bhattacharya, along with many more who built their foundation at this glorious institution. ‘Samanvay’ not only recognized excellence but also commemorated a legacy of over a century: a journey of women’s emancipation, education, and leadership. It was a reminder of the transformative power of education and the vital role the institution continued to play in nurturing the potential of young women. This historic occasion contributed meaningfully to the educational landscape of Bharat and established Indraprastha College as a distinguished institution within the broader framework of the University of Delhi.