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Special Issue: Introduction: Women as Enablers of Change

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The articles included in this special issue are the selected papers presented during the professional enhancement forum at the National Conference on “Women in Science, Technology and Management - Enablers of Change” conducted by the Women Empowerment Cell of Kristu Jayanti College (Autonomous), Bangalore, India. Intelligent women have dared to come out of their shells and create knowledge for the development of society at large. Although most of the discussions were based on the problems and opportunities related to Indian women, the issues discussed are prevalent throughout the world. In India, there is a big gap between opportunities for women in urban and rural areas. In this age of technology, continuous efforts are made for the upliftment of rural women by encouraging them to participate and create awareness on various empowerment schemes designed for them. This issue focuses on the diverse expression of women's voices, concerns and expertise and various ideas, challenges and solutions has been covered. A holistic approach towards health, societal awareness, gender issues and women rights in the field of business, entrepreneurship, finance, research, consultancy, engineering and technology has been discussed. This special issue will be a boost in highlighting the universal issues faced by women and might encourage the global audience of readers and researchers to progress in the field of women's empowerment.

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