

## DEPTT. CUM CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES & DEVELOPMENT PANJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH

Prof. Manvinder Kaur Chairperson Ref. No. 328/ws Dated 26/12/22

Dr.Paramjit Singh Kang Chairperson University Institute of Life Long Learning Panjab University, Chandigarh

Subject:

Request for participation of students/Research Scholars in the Launch of IMAGE Programme on January 6, 2023 and to nominate 2-4 Research Scholars/Students for IMAGE Workshop on January 18-20. 2023

Dear Dr.Kang,

You will be pleased to know that the Department-cum-Centre for Women's Studies and Development, Panjab University, Chandigarh in collaboration with the Consulate General of Canada in Chandigarh is launching an Advocacy Programme for Young Men and Boys for Gender Equality titled IMAGE-I'M ADVOCATING FOR GENDER EQUALITY. The IMAGE Programme seeks to involve men and boys as advocates for gender equality, transforming notions of masculinity and femininity, gender roles and stereotypes, gendered conditioning, diversities as well as gender relations. It would continue over a period of two months and would include workshops, discussion forums as well as Advocacy Campaigns to be conducted in different areas of Chandigarh and the surrounding villages. The Programme will be formally launched by the Consul General of Canada in Chandigarh-Mr.Patrick Hebert on January 6, 2023 at 11.00 a.m.

A focus on gender equality and including men and boys as advocates for the same is an absolute necessity if India is to achieve the Sustainable Development Goal of Gender Equality by 2030.

In view of the significance of the theme and the necessity of ensuring the participation of the younger generation, we would like to request you to ensure participation of students/research scholars of your Department in the Launch Programme scheduled on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in the Seminar Hall, Top Floor, Building of Emerging Areas. Near Student Centre, Panjab University, Chandigarh.

We would like to further request you to nominate 2-4 of your male research scholars/students to participate in a three day workshop scheduled from January 18-20, 2023 on Men and Boys as Advocates for Gender Equality. The nominated persons may kindly be advised to contact the undersigned on mobile number 9915444839 or email manyinder@pu.ac.in.

With regards

Yours sincerely

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