

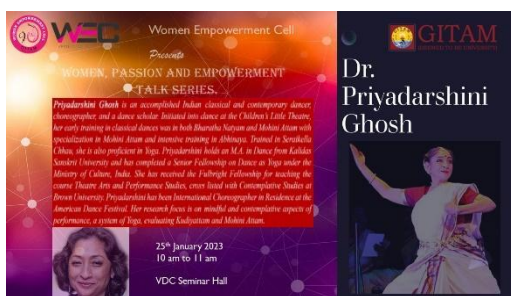
Talk series “Women of Passion and Achievement”-

1. Dr. Priyadarshini Ghosh

As a part of empowering women through knowledge and awareness, the Women Empowerment cell, GITAM has started a talk series called “Women of Passion and Achievement” with accomplished women to know about the effort and determination it took to make it all possible! 1st in the series is an enlightening session with Dr. Priyadarshini Ghosh, an accomplished Indian Classical and Contemporary dancer and dance scholar, Visiting Lecturer, Theatre Arts, and Performance Studies, at Brown University, and Artistic Director, at Natyanova Performing Arts Centre.

A wonderful session was conducted on 25th January 2023 from 10 to 11 am at VDC. With about 25 students from different institutes and faculty, both women and men attended the event. Dr. Ghosh talked about the presence and significance given to Women in performance arts through the ages and in different parts of India. But how the respect declined in a particular era and the efforts and struggles of women not only to sustain in the profession but also how they rebuilt it back to the glorious present. She also highlighted the various benefits of dance and performing arts as a means of expression, finding identity, and rehabilitation for women traumatized in different settings. Dr. Ghosh also mentioned the role and effects of Dance, Movement Therapy (DMT) in rehabilitation. The attendees appreciated the different dance courses already available by the school of Humanities GITAM. The enlightening and empowering session ended by facilitating the guest with a symbol of the goddess Saraswathi as a token of appreciation. Dr. Nalini Bikkina, Director GITAM School of Gandhian Studies and Advisory Board Member for Women Empowerment Cell (WEC), GITAM, Chairperson WEC, Dr. Madhuri Kasi, members WEC Dr. Padmavathi, Dr. Alice Rinky and Dr. Deepsika, Ms. Shalinee Soumya of the Women Empowerment Cell participated in the session.

(Attached are some pictures for the event)



Warm Regards,