

Report of the International Women's day celebration held on 8th March, 2022

International Women's Day was celebrated at ICAR-CIRG on 8th March, 2022 under the theme 'Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow' as given by the UN. It was a celebration of the "social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women". It also marked a call to action for accelerating gender parity and a pledge to "Break The Bias".

The women scientist, students and research workers of the institute were apprised regarding the vulnerability of women to climate change impacts compared to men, as they constitute the majority of the world's poor and are more dependent on the natural resources which are being threatened the most by the climate change. At the same time, women and girls can be effective and powerful leaders and change-makers for climate adaptation and mitigation owing to their active participation in sustainability initiatives around the world, and their participation and leadership will results in more effective sustainability action.

An interactive session was conducted to explore the opportunities, as well as the constraints, to empower women and girls to have a voice and be equal players in decision-making related to sustainability of natural resources which is essential for sustainable development and greater gender equality.

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