



## Report of **STE PRERNA SAMMAN AWARD 2025** THEME: ACCELERATE ACTION

Jointly Organised By

Save The Environment (STE) Kolkata/Gurugram

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Women Cell/Km Mayawati Government Girls PG College Badalpur, Gautam Buddha Nagar (U.P.)

> Held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

> > At

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## **Report on STE Prerana Samman, 2025**

The United Nations this year set the appreciable theme for International Women's Day as '*Accelerate Action: Equal Rights & Empowerment for All*'. This very pertinent theme, in the context of the rising participation of women in education and work opportunities, was the main focus of STE Prerana Samman, 2025.

The occasion this year was organized by **Save The Environment** in collaboration with **Km Mayawati Government Girls' College (KMGC)**, **Badalpur, Uttar Pradesh**, at KMGC campus, on 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

The event was inaugurated amid a divine Saraswati Vandana, in the kind presence of **Dr. Laxman Prasad** Sir, Guest of Honour, Group Advisor, RKGIT & Former Advisor, Department of Science & Technology, Government of India; **Prof. Dr. Divya Nath**, Chief Guest & Former Principal, KMGC; **Prof. Dr Anita Rani Rathore**, Principal, KMGC Badalpur; **Dr. Kshipra Misra**, Convener, President, STE & Former Additional Director, DIPAS (DRDO), Delhi and **Prof. Asha Ran**i, Convener & Professor, KMGC. Esteemed guests apprised the gathering of the need for equality and equity for women empowerment as a major facilitator towards nation-building.

**Prof. Mamata Upadhyay**, *Professor*, *KMGC* and **Dr. Jigni Mishra**, *Treasurer*, *STE & Project Associate*, *IARI*, *New Delhi* were Organizing Secretaries of the event. **Prof. Mamata Upadhyay** moderated the proceedings with her enticing words.



The dais was graced by this year's STE Prerana Samman honour recipients:

- 1. **Prof. Indu Tucker Sidhwani**, *Former Associate Professor, Gargi College, University of Delhi*: Prof. Sidhwani enlightened the audience about the experiences of her illustrious career, sharing many interesting anecdotes. Her talk highlighted the importance of Green Chemistry and its impact on environment.
- 2. Dr. Sandhya Verma, Scientist 'F' & Clinical Psychologist, Defence Institute of Psychological Research (DIPR-DRDO): Dr. Verma's words emphasized the importance of mental health and counselling on one's education and career. Her salient research on Cognitive Drill Therapy and application of this technique on Indian Army personnel was admired by one and all.
- 3. **Ms. Kritika Bhatt**, *Content Head*, *Catalys & emerging legal advisor*: Ms. Bhatt elucidated how artificial intelligence can be an effective tool in bridging marketing and law. She drew attention on how students should take interest in interdisciplinary sciences and explore co-curricular activities for personal growth.

Knowing about their inspirational work motivated all in the gathering.



**Prof. Indu Tucker Sidhwani** superannuated as Associate Professor from Department of Chemistry, Gargi College, University of Delhi, and is a stalwart in the field of Green Chemistry. During her illustrious career,

Prof. Sidhwani has mentored several students in the aspects of greener alternatives and interdisciplinary innovation. She has authored numerous research publications and books.

Prof. Sidhwani's contribution to science and teaching has been recognized with many laurels and honors.



**Dr. Sandhya Verma**, Scientist 'F' and Clinical Psychologist, Defence Institute of Psychological Research, Delhi is highly acclaimed as an eminent scientist, especially in the fields of customization of Cognitive Drill Therapy for Indian Army personnel as well as in various wellness campaigns and initiatives.

Dr. Verma's ground-breaking innovation in development of psychometric tests, and behavioural and personality profiling are noteworthy and immensely inspirational.

Dr. Verma's workshops and training programmes on stress and anxiety management are exemplary, and her work has been published in many journals of repute.



**Ms. Kritika Bhatt**, Content Head, Catalys and Council Member in Delhi Anti-Sexual Harassment Council, is an emerging legal advisor and innovative content creator in impactful advertisements.

Ms. Bhatt is actively engaged in bridging law and strategic content marketing. Her acumen in market research and studies on applicability of artificial intelligence in legal technology is highly commendable.

The felicitation ceremony followed soon after, with wide applause from the audience.







At the end of the auspices, **Dr. Jigni Mishra** proffered the vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to the entire organizing committee and all the enthusiastic staff and students of Km Mayawati Government College, Badalpur, for the wonderful organization of STE Prerana Samman 2025. Special thanks were extended to STE life members **Dr. Neelam Bhalla**, *Retired Senior Scientist, DRDO, Ministry of Defence*; **Ms. Tripti Srivastava**, *Hindi Editor, Prakriti Sanrakshan & Retired Sanskrit/Hindi Teacher, Vasant Valley School, New Delhi*, and **Dr. Sushil K. Singh**, *Scientist 'F', SSPL (DRDO), Delhi* for accentuating STE's presence. **Mr. Gian Kashyap** was acknowledged for the admirable technical support.

The event concluded with the National Anthem, in anticipation of meeting all once more at the upcoming EWASH & STE Annual meet.

## **Glimpses of STE Prerana Samman 2025**





































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