

## **Gender Equality in MERC**

MERC has been a flag bearer in gender equality and providing space to the female students for level playing field. We have created huge space for them to show their mental excellence by encouraging them to participate them in all practical activities in the department which include making presentations, participating in workshops, seminars etc.

MERC has many basic amenities for female students which include separate washrooms, separate rest room etc. Apart from providing admissions to good number of female students we have made it a tradition that in each class there is one female class representative also. We have been craving for making more and more arrangements for female students so that they can have more facilities to show their mettle and not face any problems while providing them basic facilities.

MERC has a distinction of having almost female faculty and most of our female students have made a mark in different field of life which include Media Houses, public sector banks, research and in the faculty of different universities in the valley and abroad.

In extra-curricular activities inside and outside the campus, our female students have brought medals, prizes and made the department proud. In Sports many of our female students have made their presence visible and brought laurels not only to MERC but to entire university of Kashmir.

In the print media, some of our brave hearts have made an impact by doing ground stories on health sector and defence in particular. Many of them got awards for their exemplary reporting and they have redefined the impact and aura of female journalists in Kashmir.

Various awards have been won by female students which include IJF Award, Laadli Beti Award among others. The department also encourages participation of female students in various sports like badminton and rugby.

Sports: Fareeha, Sajida Yousuf (Rugby)

Zehru Nisa, Arifa Sumeera, Shazia.

Awards: Ladli \_\_\_\_\_