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## "Role of women in protecting our culture significant" -opines Prof. K.S. Rangappa

Mysore-Mar 10: **'Contribution of women in nation building is memorable.** Her sacrifices in protecting our culture which is rich in values and much advanced in maintaining quality human relations compared to other countries has to be duly recognized. Her role in safe guarding our family values is significant', opined Prof. K.S.Rangappa, General President of Indian Science Congress and former vice chancellor of Mysore University.

He was speaking after inaugurating a public program at Brahma Kumaris, Yadavagiri, Mysore for celebrating International Women's Day on **'Women Development-Challenges and Opportunities'**. I am a living example of how an inspiration given by a woman can change the destiny of a person. My parents were illiterate. But my mother coaxed me to develop interest in studies. She is a god to me, he said.

Today women aspire to go for higher education. Sometimes this seems to create a generation gap in the family. Despite this, modern woman should work towards restoring our glorious culture thereby contributing towards nation building. But this demands an enhanced mental capability which is possible if we can utilize the services of Brahma Kumari institution which has been striving for woman development through spirituality.

**Prof. Indumati, former vice chancellor of Davangere University** was the chief guest of the occasion. Woman speaks the language of silence. Still she is the busiest person in the family. Only she can create an environment of sustained development at home. Despite discrimination we must strive towards human development, but for this to happen a political will along with mental stability is required, she said.

Manjula Manasa, former chairperson of Karnataka State Women's Commission said that life of a woman is of difficulty and suffering. She has to be aware of her rights. She is an epitome of tolerance and she is like an angel who deserves accolades for her unsung performances. Still it is an irony that in a place like Mysore four Family Courts are established to settle disputes, but still their hands are full. It shows our family system in poor light. Regardless of what is going on around her, regardless of the mountain of negativities encircling every family, woman must learn to keep calm and protect her family. In this regard the activities of Brahma Kumaris need to be commended for their service in training people to stabilize their minds and achieving their set goals.

**BK Ranganath** suggested that it is imperative in the present circumstances that everyone must learn to be healthy emotionally.

**BK Lakshmiji** blessed the participants and gave away godly gifts. BK Sharada, BK Yogeshwari, BK Rashmi, BK Manjula and BK Yatna was present.

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