

A seminar was given by Dr. Anjana Jajoo on 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb. 2021 under the lecture series "Sashakt Naari-Sarthak Samvaad" organized by School of Journalism and Mass Communication, DAVV, Indore.

It was an online seminar on the topic "Women in Science". Dr. Jajoo talked about the present scenario of scanty presence of women at high positions in Science and Technology. The main reasons for less recognition and participation of women in science were: Less visibility and Lack of networking. Moreover family responsibilities, social stereotypes, gender stereotypes, academic housekeeping etc are other factors which cause hindrance for women in achieving high positions in science. She said that there is a need to motivate young girls to pursue career in science by providing scholarships, conducive research environment, daycare services etc.

She told the participants about the initiatives taken by government to promote and encourage participation of women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). Schemes of DST (KIRAN), DBT (BIO-CARe), CSIR training programmes etc. were discussed.

The meeting was attended by students and faculty of various department of DAVV. The programme ended with a note of thanks by Dr, Sonali Nargunde, HOD, SJMC, DAVV, Indore.