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Chandigarh, March 8:- The Department of Social Welfare, Chandigarh Administration in collaboration with NGOs today celebrated International Women's Day at Bal Bhawan, Sector 23. Director Social Welfare, Mr. Samwartak Singh in his keynote address said that women empowerment is necessary for inclusive growth of the nation. He called upon every one to join the movement for true empowerment and help end the gender war.

Mrs. Madhu Bansal, wife of Mr. Pawan Kumar Bansal, Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs and Water Resources was the Chief Guest on the occasion. As many as 55 women were awarded for their outstanding contribution in different fields like social service, education, health, sports, police, business, industry, music, dance etc. Mrs. Bansal honoured these women. Mrs. Indira Sharma M/o Lat. Sh. Bharat Kumar, Mrs. Anu Chatrath, Mrs. Satinder Dhawan, Mrs. Vinod Sharma, Mrs. Lalit Joshi, Smt. Kamlesh, Smt. Harjinder Kaur, Smt. Rita Sharma, Smt. Anju Baniwal, Smt. Sarita Devi, Smt. Raj Kumari Mishra, Smt. Sunita Chaudhary, Dr. Neelam Malik, Dr. Deepti, Mrs. Neena Singh, Mrs. Manju Bhalla, Mrs. Kanwaljeet Kaur, Mrs. Pam Rajput, Mrs. Rani Chauhan, Mrs. Santosh Singh (Child Support Cell), Mrs. Anuradha Sharma (Hamari Kaksha), Mrs. Savita Tiwari (Hamari Kaksha), Mrs. Meena Sharma, Mrs. Neelam, Mrs. Rajesh Gill – Director Women Development, Mrs. Neelam Marwaha Blood Bank P.G.I., Mrs. Monica, Mrs. Pooja Dheer, Dr. G. Nanda, Ms. Roopa Saba, Mrs. Sabu (Rotary Governer), Mrs. Saroj Gupta, Mrs. Harbeer Kaur, (President Lions Club), Mrs. Charu Mathur (Director CII), Mrs. Anupama Arya, (Ex-Chairperson), Mrs. Prabhjot Kaur, Addl.Income Tax Commissioner, Mrs. Neelam Maan Singh, Mrs. Rani Balbir Kaur, Mrs. Savita Bhatti, Ms. Poonam Dhillon, Mrs. Kiran Kher, Ms. Suchitra Mitra, Mrs. H. Kausar, Director, Prachin Kala Kendra, Ms. Irina Brar, Ms. Urvi, Ms. Neha Dogra, Ms. Rumpa Chauhan, Ms. Pooja Tandon, Mrs. Gurdass Maan, Mrs. Gulraj Randhawa, Mrs. Alish D.D., Ms. Neelu, Choreographer, Ms. North 2010, Ms. Runner up 2010, Mrs. Sunita Rani (D.S.P), Mrs. Jatinder Sandhu (RAW).

A cultural programme was also presented to mark the Day by the children of Snehalaya. Ms. Urvi Manocha, Bal Shri

awardee of ICCW, Bal Bhawan also enthralled the audience with her stunning performance.

Mayor Chandigarh, Mrs. Anu Chatrath, Ms. Rajesh Gill, Chairperson Women and Child Support Unit, Chandigarh, Mrs. Santosh Singh, representatives from various NGOs, lady counselors of MC were also present on the occasion.