

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Ref. No. Dir/2021/005

06/4/2021

Constitution of Women's Empowerment Cell

(1) Reference is invited to the OM Ref. No. Dir/2019/010 dated 08/7/2019 on the subject, vide which, a Women's Empowerment Cell was constituted in the Institute as a part of the Institute's commitment to ensure gender balance, gender budgeting, gender diversity, gender equity, gender justice and gender welfare.

(2) The composition of the Cell is revised as under:

Sl. No.	Name, Designation & Affiliation	Role in the Cell
	Prof. S Sumitra	
1	Professor & Principal, Dr B R Ambedkar College of Law	Chairperson
	Andhra University, Visakhapatnam	·
2	Presiding Officer of the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) - (ex officio)	Member
3	Representing Faculty:	Member
	Prof. Chandreie Mukherjee, IIM Visakhapatnam (IIMV)	
4	Representing Staff:	Member-Convene
	Ms. G Nandita, Superintendent (Finance & Accounts), IIMV	
	Representing Students:	
5	PhD Student (Female), IIMV: Ms. Praveena Musunuru	Member
	MBA Student Representative (Female) on the SAC, IIMV	
6	[If there is more than one female rep. on the SAC, the Coordinator (A&R)	Member
	to nominate, in consultation with the PGP Chair]	

(3) The Cell shall:

- (a) Facilitate a gender-sensitive environment enabling women and girls to maximize their potential;
- (b) Address the issues and concerns of all women and girls working and studying in the Institute;
- (c) Facilitate a conducive working environment in which women and girls can work and study in a safe and secure environment;
- (d) Work in close cooperation with the ICC constituted by the Institute in accordance with "The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013;
- (e) Help the ICC in dealing with cases of workplace discrimination and/or harassment of any kind;
- Endeavour to meet at least once every four months, interact with the female members of the Institute and keep a record of the proceedings of its meetings and interactions;
- (g) Submit the Minutes of its Meetings, Reports (if any) containing its recommendations/suggestions etc. to the Director.
- (4) The Cell shall, towards achieving its objectives as above, organize/facilitate such events/activities as:
 - (a) Dialogue and discussion on gender issues;
 - (b) Gender sensitization lectures and talks;
 - (c) Gender-related seminars and workshops;
 - (d) Competitions on gender-related themes;
 - (e) Women-empowerment initiatives;
 - (f) Celebration of International Women's Day etc.
- (5) The Chairperson (external expert) will be eligible for payment of Sitting Fee in accordance with the approval accorded by the Chairperson (BoG) on 25/3/2021 [Committees constituted by the Director].
- (6) The SAO, IIMV shall arrange for administrative, secretarial and logistics support to the Cell, as needed.
- (7) The Cell as above, comes into effect immediately and will remain in force, until further orders.

Prof. M. Chandrasekhar 05.4.21

The Chairperson & Members of the Women's Cell Cc: The Coordinators and the President (SAC).