Voices of Female Authors in Literature from the Subcontinent

The reason for the difference in the creative role of men and women in the evolutionary process is not based on their physical structure or the biological process, rather the role or identity in which a woman is confined.

The role of women in achieving sustainable development is important. Their literary, political, and social achievements have been remarkable. The unique thinking of women in literature has paved the way for intellectual and political revolution. In world literature, women raised their voice for their rights in novels, plays and poetry as well as in non-fiction. They also wrote literary texts during political struggles. Literary magazines also appeared in which literature was published to pave the way for intellectual debate.

In this panel discussion, representative voices of the subcontinent will be introduced, in the light of their creative and research achievements. Special focus will be on prominent women from the subcontinent, who made literature a means of expression, as a result of which they faced exile, imprisonment, and social pressure. But their rebellious voices challenged the outdated system of society, paved the way for women’s education and development, for the creation of a parallel and egalitarian social structure.

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