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**NATIONAL WOMEN'S SCIENCE CONGRESS**  
**(Towards encouraging and empowering women scientists)**  
**7-9th November. 2008, SB Arts & KCP Science College & BLDE University, Bijapur**

This National Women's Science Congress is planned essentially to bring women to the forefront of Science, Engineering, Technology, Industrial Entrepreneurship and Management which will automatically empower them to create a frontline of women scientists of the caliber of Marie and Irene Curies, Maria Mayer, Dorothy Hodgkin, Gerty Cori, Rosalyn Yalow, Barbara Mc Clintock, Rita Montalcini, Gertrude Elion, Christiaene Volhard and Zinda Buck of Modern Science or of the grandeur of Maitreyi, Gargi, and the Vedic Rishikas of ancient Bharat. Even though there were only a few well-known women leaders of science in India, those with outstanding scientific achievements are indeed very large in number in almost every field of science. This Women's Science Congress is planned to bring them all together and instil a sense of pride, confidence and camaraderie amongst them and guide them on to the positions of power and leadership.

The Science Congress would cover the entire spectrum of science, engineering and technology, both Traditional and Modern, encompassing the spiritual, the social and the secular (physical and material) sciences. The following areas are indicative of this wide coverage, in each of which hundreds of women scientists are working with impressionable accomplishments.

1. Chemical, Biological and Materials Sciences; (2) Physical and Mathematical Sciences; (3) Agricultural, Forestry, Fishery and Veterinary Sciences; (4) Health, Ayush, and Modern Medical-Pharmaceutical Sciences; (5) Civil, Mechanical, Aerospace, Transportation and Power Engineering; (6) Electrical, Electronics and Communication; (7) Cosmology, Geology, Archaeology and Earth Sciences; (8) Ecology, Biodiversity, and Environment (9) Emerging Frontier Areas of IT, BT, NT; (10) Economics & Management Sciences; (11) Sociocultural Sciences; (12) Psychospiritual and Philosophical Sciences.

In addition to these scientific themes, there would be a Focal Theme on the Problems and Prospects of Women in Science. These are the means to attract and retain more women in the domain of science and bring about cohesive solidarity amongst them. With appropriate measures, these women scientists could be brought forward to the forefront of science & technology in all aspects of teaching, research and industrial practices, and even leadership in science administration.

### **REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION**

Participation is restricted to registered delegates. The Delegate fee is Rs. 1,500/-, with 25% concession to Collaborating Institution and SVAK Women Members. The Delegates Fee should be sent only as DD in favour of "Swadeshi Vijnana Andolana-Karnataka" payable at Bangalore. Group registration on single DD is welcome. For effective interaction, purposeful discussion and fruitful decisions on futuristic actions, the registration is restricted to 300 delegates on first-come-first basis.

All those who intend to participate should send an Abstract in English by e-mail, followed by a softcopy in CD and a hard copy accompanied by the Registration Form. Full paper of 10 pages should also be sent by e-mail, followed by a soft copy in CD and a hard copy along with the Registration Fee. Research papers in English, Hindi or Kannada (Baraha.5.0 Version) are acceptable, but the abstract should be in English. All abstracts will appear in the Souvenir. Only those papers presented at the Congress will be published in the Proceedings after due editorial review.

**SCHEDULE: For abstract in English along with Registration Form : 15th October.2008  
For Full paper along with Registration Fee. : 30th October. 2008**

SEMINAR DATES: 7TH -9TH November. 2008 (7th November is the Birth anniversary of Madame Marie Curie and Sir. C. V. Raman, two great scientists of the world; Marie Curie Mahila Vijnana Puraskara would be presented to outstanding Women Scientists on this occasion)

**VENUE: SB Arts & KCP Science College, Bijapur / BLDE University (Deemed Univ.)**

Boarding and Lodging with normal facilities are provided in guest houses, and hostels. Better hotel accommodation could be arranged on special request and prepayment.

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