



Ministry of Women and Child Development

# National Girl Child Day to be celebrated at a special function organized by WCD Ministry in New Delhi tomorrow

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The National Girl Child Day will be celebrated tomorrow at a special function organized by the Ministry of Women & Child Development in New Delhi in the light of exemplary achievements by nation's daughters during 2016.

With a commendable performance at the Olympics and Paralympics and a historic induction of the first female fighter pilots into the Indian Air Force, it has truly been a proud year for India.

Smt. Maneka Sanjay Gandhi, Minister of Women & Child Development and Smt. Krishna Raj, Minister of State for Women & Child Development will be addressing the audience. The occasion shall be marked by release of The National Plan of Action for Children 2016. Special addresses shall be given by eminent speakers including Women Secretaries in the Government of India, Ms Avani Chaturvedi (Women Fighter Pilot), Ms Arunima Sinha (First women amputee to climb Mount Everest), Ms. Deepa Malik (Silver medalist at Rio Paralympics 2016) and Ms Shanno (Editor, Badhte Kadam). The event will also witness a speech by Ms Shanno who is a former street girl and advisor of Balaknama newspaper for and by street children.

The occasion will be marked by felicitating 10 districts under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme for their exemplary performance. The winners of regional level quiz competition organized for girl students across various Kendriya Vidyalaya schools in Delhi on the theme of "Empowerment of Girl Child" shall also be awarded tomorrow.

The event will also see regional performance by professional troupes of Song and Drama Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India.

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