

## 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Indian Constitution Day

26<sup>th</sup> November 2019

The Department of Political Science, University College for Women has celebrated the 70<sup>th</sup> Constitution Day 2019 also known as Samvidhan Divas . On 26 January, 1950, the Constitution of India which came into force declares India a sovereign, socialist, secular, democratic republic, assuring its citizen's justice, equality and liberty and endeavours to promote fraternity. The words 'secular' and 'socialist' were added to the preamble during the emergency in 1976.

Prof. Kousar J. Azam, former Head, Dept of Political Science who had a distinguished career spanning over three decades in Osmania University has been invited to give a Guest lecture on "Emerging Trends in Indian Constitution" on the occasion of 70<sup>th</sup> Indian Constitution Day. Dr. V.Srilatha, Head Dept of Political Science introduced the importance of the occasion and the importance for the celebration of 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Constitution Day . Prof Roja Rani ,Principal, OUCW has administered the Preamble of the Indian Constitution Prof Kousar J. Azam , Former Head , Dept of Political Science , Arts College, Osmania University has given a guest Lecture on "Emerging Trends in Indian Constitutions " The eminent Speaker has been felicitated by the Principal UCW ,Vice Principal Dr Kavitha Reddy, Dr V.Srilatha , Head Dept of Political Science . Dr Kavitha Reddy Vice Principal, UCW , thanked Prof Kousar J Azam for her informative and inspiring speech and presented the vote of Thanks . The occasion was graced by the students of UCW from both the Sciences and Social Sciences and the Faculty of the college



Welcoming of the Guest by Dr . Krishna Kumar , Dept of Political Science , OUCW



Lighting of the Lamp By The Chief Guest Prof. J. Kousar Azam and Prof. Roja Rani, Principal, OUCW, Dr. Kavitha, Vice Principal, OUCW, Dr. V. Srilatha, Head, Dept. of Political Science

Prof. Roja Rani, the Principal, OUCW, administered the Preamble to the audience constituting of Faculty OUCW and the Undergraduate and Post Graduate students of the College



Prof. Kousar J. Azam, former Head, Dept. of Political Science had a distinguished career spanning over three decades. She is a recipient of several national and international awards like those awarded by Ford, Fulbright, and Rockefeller Foundations, has been member of the International Committee of American Studies Association of USA, Widely travelled, Azam has written/ edited eight books, several articles and has taught/lectured at American universities including those at Illinois, Iowa, New York, North Carolina, Atlanta, Houston, Detroit and also at Oxford, Niteroi, Brazil, Brindisi, Italy, Beirut, Nagoya and Tokyo, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Mauritius and several Universities in South Africa. A former member of united Andhra Pradesh APPSC, Azam also served as Honorary Director ICSSR – SRC, Emeritus Professor attached to the OUCIP as Advisor, Programmes and Development.

Prof. Kousar J. Azam's guest lecture on Emerging Trends in Indian Constitution. Prof. Azam started the lecture with an interesting note with what is a constitution and why a constitution is important has the audience consisted of students from both social sciences and science faculties. By engaging the students with contemporary issues Prof. Azam highlighted the importance of Indian Constitution and the making of the Indian Constitution. The main aspect of the Indian Constitution is to describe the fundamental political structure, procedures, powers, and duties of the government institutions. It also explains fundamental rights, directive principles and the duties of citizens. Prof. Azam highlighted the importance of the directive principles of State Policy and the objective behind these Principles. Prof. Azam also spoke about the importance of the duties of the citizens in the economic, political, and social development of the country.

