**NEWS WIS WORKSHOP 14.08.2021**

WIS FORUM KUK on Saturday (14-08-2021) organised a Short Term Online Workshop on Careers and Opportunities for Women in STEM-2021. Vice Chancellor of Kurukshetra University Prof. Somnath Sachdeva in his message conveyed that the workshop will motivate the female teachers and scholars to do their best in their respective fields and enhance the quality of research and teaching in sciences in higher education. He conveyed his best wishes for this workshop. This workshop was formally inaugurated by Prof. Manjula Chaudhary, Chief Guest, Dean Academic affair and RUSA Coordinator, KUK. In her Inaugural address emphasis that female scholars and researchers must be confident in their profession, must update their information and communication technologies skills. They must come forward to accept new challenges in respective areas. Prof. Baljinder Kandola, Professor of Materials Fire Science, University of Bolton and alumnus of Chemistry Department Kurukshetra University Kurkshetra delivered her talk. Prof. Kandola mentioned the personal, institutional and international challenges faced by female research scholars when they pursue their research in abroad.

Convener of the workshop, Prof. Neera Raghav thanked the Chief Guest and introduced the participants about the objectives of WIS FORUM. She told that WIS forum is established for strengthening and providing different platform to the female faculties and research scholars of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Co-Convener of the workshop, Dr. Sunita Dalal described about the importance of the workshop and proposed the vote of thanks. Organizing Secretary Dr. Suman Mahendia informed about the duration, schedule, and about the different resource persons of the workshop. A total of 113 female teachers and research scholars from different universities of India are participating in the workshop. On this occasion different Deans of various Faculties, Chairpersons of different departments, members of the advisory and organizing committee were present online. In the workshop the Prof. Smita Chaudhry, Prof. Anurekha Sharma, Prof. Neelu Sood, Dr. Anita Bhatnagar, Dr. Suresh Kumar, Dr. Ruchi Gupta, Dr. Pooja Arora, Dr. Urmila, Ms. Anju Goyal, and Dr. Hardeep Rai Sharma were present.