

**Menstruation Dialogue
Missing Voices & Missed Out Issues**

May 21, 2019

Manch auditorium,
Indian Institute of Mass Communication, JNU
New Campus, Aruna Asaf Ali Marg, New Delhi

10:00 am - 6:00 pm



Time	Session Name	Description	Panelist
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Registration		
10:30 -10:45 am	Introduction to the Menstruation Dialogue by Meenakshi Gupta , Co - Founder Goonj..		
10:45 am -11:30 am	In Conversation: Anshu Gupta , Founder Goonj (credited with starting Goonj's menstruation related work and evolving Cloth Pads, 15 years ago) With Bezwada Wilson (fighting for dignity of manual scavengers across India over last three decades). *Both Ramon Magsaysay Awardees		
11:30 am -12:15 pm	Missing Voices	1.8 Crore disabled women, more than 5 Crore tribal women, 6.5 Crore migrant women, 20+ lakh sex worker women and many others like them just in India and much bigger numbers globally are still left out in the larger mapping of Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM). The panel will touch upon missing voices of different women whose menstrual challenges need more representation on MHM narrative.	1. Pallavi Amte , <i>Maharogi Sewa Samiti, Anandwan</i> 2. Gitanjali Babbar , <i>Kat- Katha</i> 3. Seema Prakash , <i>Spandan Samaj Sewa Samiti</i> 4. Kamini Prakash , <i>Former WSSCC</i> 5. Enakshi Ganguly , <i>HAQ: Centre for Child Rights</i>
12:15 pm - 12:45 pm	Tea Break & Exhibition highlighting myths, realities & evidence		

12:45 pm - 1:30 pm	Missed Out Issues	The discussion will address some missed out issues like the dignity of women, menstrual waste, environmental threat, connect between menstrual health and general well being of women, menstruation and sanitation infrastructure etc.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Avani Bansal, <i>Advocate in Supreme Court</i> 2. Dr. Megha Panwar, <i>Safdarjung Hospital</i> 3. Mousumi, <i>Breakthrough</i> 4. Mayuri Bhattacharjee, <i>Sikun Relief Foundation</i> 5. Nirmala Nair, <i>Kaboom Social Impact</i> 6. Swati Singh, <i>Centre for Science & Environment</i>
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Lunch		
2:30 pm - 3:15 pm	Role of Media	Media has played an important role in highlighting menstruation as an issue..How can it bring into spotlight all missed out aspects and bring them into the larger MHM narrative?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Harvir Singh, <i>Outlook India</i> 2. Geetanjali Krishna, <i>Business Standard</i> 3. Shalini Singh, <i>PARI</i> 4. Divya Vasudeva, <i>Radio city 91.1</i> 5. Manish Desai, <i>Indian Institute of Mass Communication</i>
3:15 pm - 4:00 pm	Cloth As A Viable Option	The panel will focus on why cloth is a viable option.. Highlighting how women suffer even for this basic. Why Cloth Pads are summararily rejected even though they are biodegradable, reusable, affordable, accessible to millions of women.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lakshmi Murthy, <i>Jatan Sansthan</i> 2. Kathy Walkling, <i>Eco Femme</i> 3. Parmeela Rao, <i>Kalpa Trust</i> 4. Meenakshi Gupta, <i>Goonj.</i>
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Tea Break		
4:30 pm - 4:45 pm	Skype with Chris Bobel - Associate Professor of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies at the University of Massachusetts Boston and past president of the Society for Menstrual Cycle Research.		
4:45 pm - 5:45 pm	Recognizing Best Practices Easing Menstrual Challenges		
5:45 pm - 6:00 pm	Vote of Thanks		