

ITL CONDUCTS WORKSHOP ON GENDER SENSITIVITY

A One Day Compulsory Training Programme for Teachers on **Gender Sensitivity** was held at **ITL Public School** on **30**th **August 2014**. The Training Programme was held under the aegis of **Expressions India**, a CBSE empanelled Agency and it was conducted by Ms. **Geetanjali Kumar** a CBSE resource person and Senior counselor Expressions India.

Bill Clinton had prudently said "We need not just a new generation of leadership, but a new gender of leadership" and the workshop showed the path to gender neutral perspectives. The workshop emphasized that gender responsive education programming is the need of the hour. The workshop started with clarifying the basic concepts of Gender, distinction between sex and gender, Gender Stereotypes, Gender Typing, Influence of Family on Gender Typing, Gender Equity, Gender Equality, Gender Discrimination. The workshop emphasized on the need of a Gender neutral school. The resource person awakened the consciousness of the teachers to the text book content while relating to gender issues. She also highlighted on the significance of nurturing a healthy balance in the upbringing of the children for attaining a desired gender sensitive society. The teachers enacted on topics like: Morning Scene in a house, Scene at a religious place, at a marriage ceremony etc. displaying how gender prejudice is still a formidable block and a menace to the society. The teachers viewed an animation film on gender sensitivity which was immensely thought provoking and harped on the delicate chords of sensitivity.

Around 150 teachers, both from the host school and other neighboring schools of Dwarka attended the workshop. The workshop was enlightening and enriching stimulating the teachers to rethink their roles as mentors for attaining Gender Equality encompassing Hope, Happiness and Togetherness.