

**REPORT ON SOUTHERN REGIONAL CONSULTATION ON  
“WOMEN STUDIES: CONTEMPORARY RELEVANCE,  
CHALLENGES AND FUTURE ACTION”**

Indian Association for Women studies, Regional Association for women studies and Women Empowerment cell , AVIT has jointly organized a Southern Regional Consultation on “Women Studies: Contemporary Relevance, Challenges and Future Action” on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2018 at AVIT. Directors, Principal's of various Institutions in South India(Goa, Hyderabad, Thirupathi, Tamilnadu and Pondy) has participated. Dr.S.P.Sangeetha, Convenor, Women Empowerment Cell, AVIT welcomed the gathering. Prof. N.Manimekalai, Secretary RAWS and Joint Secretary IAWS, Introduced the theme of the Consultation. Dr. M. Ponnaivaikko, Provost, VMRF delivered the presidential address. Special Address was delivered by Dr. M. Thavamani President RAWS Prof. Yasodha Shanmugasundram, Honorary President RAWS delivered the inaugural address. Dr.P.Shankar, Principal, AVIT addressed the gathering. There were fruitful delebrations related to women studies. They have also recommended to have a one credit course on “Studies on gender sensitisation" which is being added in few universities. Dr. Suba, Asst Prof. Dept of Women’s Studies, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli proposed the vote of thanks.

