Dr. Ishari. K. Ganesh Founder Chancellor of VISTAS Donates Rs. 10,00,000 to World Carrom Champion Ms. Khazima on International Women's Day

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In support of Women's empowerment, the founder-chancellor of Vels Institute of Science and Technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS) Dr. Ishari. K. Ganesh donated Rs. 10,00,000 to World Carrom Champion Ms. Khazima, and also announced a 100% scholarship for her MBA in recognition of her exceptional achievements in sports. This generous gesture was announced during the institution's celebration of International Women's Day.



VISTAS Founder Chancellor Dr. Ishari K. Ganesh presented a cheque of Rs. 10,00,000 to the father of World Carrom Champion Khazima in recognition of her remarkable victory

The event, held on March 10, 2025, was a grand occasion that honored remarkable women achievers across various fields, reinforcing VISTAS unwavering commitment to empowering women.

VISTAS celebrates Inspirational Women

During the event, the prestigious Inspirational Women Awards were presented to several distinguished women for their significant contributions. The recipients of these awards included:

- **Ms. Nigar Shaji**, Aditya L1, ISRO Scientist – for Excellence in Innovation and Technology
- **Ms. Rajeshwari I.P.S**, Inspector General of Police, Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board – for Social Service
- **Ms. Khazima**, World Carrom Champion – for Excellence in Sports

- **Ms. Kushboo**, Indian Film Actress and Producer – for Excellence in the Field of Media
- **Ms. Maalica Ravikumar**, Founder of Evergrowth Academy – for Excellence in Entrepreneurship

V-Fund 5.0: Empowering Women Entrepreneurs

VISTAS also celebrated its ongoing commitment to fostering women entrepreneurship through the V Fund program. Since its inception VISTAS supported 12 women-led startups with Rs. 24 lakh in funding, mentorship, and incubation support. This year, V Fund 5.0 saw an overwhelming response with 204 applications from aspiring women entrepreneurs and after a rigorous evaluation three women entrepreneurs were awarded Rs. 2 lakh each to develop their innovative ventures.

Leadership at VISTAS

The event was graced by the leadership of VISTAS, with Dr. Ishari K. Ganesh, Founder Chancellor, and Dr. Preethaa Ganesh, Vice President, Vels Group of Institutions, expressing their dedication to empowering women and fostering academic and entrepreneurial excellence.

About VISTAS

Established in 2008, Vels Institute of Science, Technology, and Advanced Studies (VISTAS) is recognized as one of the best deemed university in Chennai. With three expansive campuses spanning 100 acres in Chennai, VISTAS is a multi-disciplinary institution offering a diverse range of undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs across various disciplines including Medicine, Nursing, Engineering, Agriculture, Management, Law, Arts, and Sciences. VISTAS recently achieved the prestigious NAAC A++ accreditation, further solidifying its reputation for academic excellence and holistic development.

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