CHRIST UNIVERSITY, BENGALURU

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

WRIT PROGRAMME FOR PG (MCA AND MSC)

Date: 19/07/2017

Time: 11 to 1 PM

Venue: Room no:911,Central Block

Topic: Women in research and IT

Speakers: Dr.Susheela Devi

The programme on the opportunities for women in the field of IT and research organized by

the Department of Computer Science, Christ University, Bengaluru, was held on 11th August

2017 at 11 am in 911, Christ University Main Campus. Speaker for the day were Dr.Susheela

Devi. She is working in the CS department of IISC.

Emcees for the day were Miss Tannishta Guha from IV semester Msc and Miss. Astha from

I semester MCA, who welcomed the chief guest. Science and technology has grown since the

beginning of human history and so has the field of studies in research! Women unlike men

have always faced hindrances to mark her place in the world. Mrs. Susheela shared her

thoughts and experiences on the very same. Two aspects of this were covered, Women in IT

and Women in research. Mrs.Susheela pointed out that it is necessary to have a balanced

work force in an organization. We live in a world were statistics show that just 20% of the

women are executives while 5% are CEO's! The opportunities given and participation of

women is clearly less. As always, it's much healthier to have a woman alongside guiding a

group of people as creativity is an important factor for upcoming discoveries.

She added that there might be gender bias within an organisation with regard to resources

provided to women as they are categorized in a less competent perspective compared to their

male counterparts. Students were introduced with information of few organizations who have

their goals fixed towards empowering more women to join IT like EWIT, NCWIT, WITI.

Mrs Susheela enlightened the crowd on the involvement of women in every aspect of society,

especially research. She also told the students how this could be done and told about the

future they could have with IISC too. Students were emphasised on writing research papers. They were asked to put forth their ideas into a research paper.

Madam was interested to hear the doubts of students and teachers on how to get women involved in research and go about the cell. Miss Tannishtha Guha from IV semester MSc gave the vote of thanks. With all the aspirations and experiences WRIT (women in Research in IT and Research) cell begun.