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Editorial

Unabated 25 years

April 06, 2012. Third Concept completes its 25 years of uninterrupted publication. To mark the occasion of Third Concept's Silver Jubilee Celebrations, a book titled "Perspectives on Women" edited by me, was released by Smt Meira Kumar, Honourable Speaker of Lok Sabha at the India International Centre, New Delhi. Also present on the dais were Shri Sharad Yadav, Convenor NDA, Shri V. Kishore Chandra Deo, Union Minister for Panchayati Raj & Tribal Affairs, Shri Shrikant Kumar Jena, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Statistics & Programme Implementation, Chemicals and Fertilizer, Shri M. Shashidhar Reddy, Vice-Chairman, NDMA besides many vice-Chancellors, Members of Parliament, Academicians, Bureaucrats and Intellectuals. The Event was presided over by Honourable Dr S. Y. Quraishi, Chief Election Commissioner of India.

As one after another speaker stood up to air their views on the 'Emancipation of Women' and 'Women Empowerment', the core subject of the book that is a compilation of ideas and articles published in this journal ever since its inception in 1987, Intellectuals from all fields applauded the success Third Concept. This journal of frank debate and ideas has always stood up to the needs and wants of the third world and at a time, when almost all its contemporaries have either withered away or have been rendered into oblivion, Third Concept continues its journey with as much fervor and vibrations as it was launched with 25 years back.

Today, we are committed to give back to the society which has given this Journal its whole-hearted support. We plan a series of books on various subjects that have been covered in this journal over the last 25 years. Apart from this, we would like to have on our platform internationally renowned personalities and achievers from various fields for seminars, conferences and Interactive workshops.

We are committed to be an impartial, apolitical and a magazine of social relevance. With the passage of time and having overcome all kinds of barriers in last 25 years, we are stronger than ever. As many of our contributors who at one point of time were Research Scholars and Professors are today Vice-Chancellors, Bureaucrats and people in high positions, we have a bank and bench of very strong Human Resource to back our efforts. I ensure you that the magazine will continue to be in its pious form for all years to come with more and more value additions as may be possible.

I Thank You All For Your Continued Support And Expect The Same In The Years To Come.

—BK