

## Sahyog Celebrated International Girl Child Day 2020

**International Girl Child Day 2020:** Girls face a lot of issues in their life, whether its India or any other country in the world they are expected to suffer and bear the pain. Starting from female infanticide to gender inequality to sexual abuse, there is no dearth of issues. Thus to curb these menace and to recognize girls' rights and the unique challenges girls face around the world International Girl Child Day is observed every year.

The International Day of the Girl Child is being celebrated every year on October 11. The main objective of this day is to empower women and help them to get their rights so that they can face the challenges all over the world and meet their needs.

International Girl Child Day is also called the Day of Girls and the International Day of the Girl.

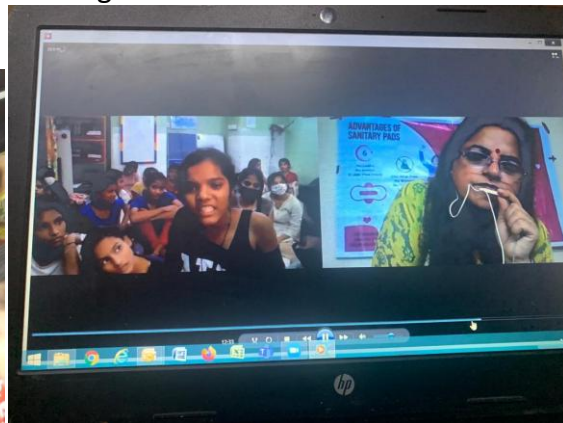
Much progress has been made in the last two decades to ensure every girl is able to grow and develop in good health, still, there is much to do. "For example, 12 million girls are married before age 18 each year. One in five girls globally has experienced sexual violence. In Eastern and Southern Africa, nearly 80% of new HIV infections among adolescents are among girls, according to the World Health Organisation.

### **International Girl Child Day 2020: Theme**

The theme of International Day of the Girl 2020 is "My voice, our equal future," reimagining a better world inspired adolescent girls.

Understanding all this Sahyog Foundation organized an online workshop with the adolescent girls ( 12- 17 years) at Kilkari Rainbow homes and along with menstrual hygiene management awareness session focused on their demands to:

- "Live free from gender-based violence, harmful practices, and HIV and AIDS
- Learn new skills towards the futures they choose
- Lead as a generation of activists accelerating social change".



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