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Bhaskar Degree College Udhampur organized a debate competition on the eve of International Women's Day on 08/03/2019. The topic of the debate competition was 'Women Empowerment- a hoax or reality'. At the outset, the programme was commenced with the lighting of lamp by Chief Guest Ms Sandeep Kour, Sub Judge, Secretary (District Legal Services Authority) Udhampur and other dignitaries namely Ms Madhu Khajuria, Chairperson, Dr. S.K. Magotra, Principal of the college, Prof PL Suri, Principal of Bhaskar Institute of Paramedical Sciences, Dr. Anita Bali, Principal Bhartiya College of Education Udhampur, Prof BL Raina, HOD M.Ed Department, Dr Pankaj Sarswat GDC Udhampur and Dr Veena Gupta GCW Udhampur. The Principal of the college addressed the gathering with his welcome address. The chief guest also presented her views about women empowerment by giving ample of examples and also encouraged students to be the part of such empowering force. A plantation drive was also held at the outset by the dignitaries, in which they planted a plant in the college lawn area. There were eight speakers participants from different colleges of district Udhampur who spoke against and for the motion. The students presented their views with full enthusiasm and vigour. In the competition, Shazia Manhas student of Bhaskar Degree College grabbed first prize, Sonali of Govt. College for Women Udhampur grabbed second prize and Pawan Dev Singh of Bhaskar Degree College grabbed third prize. The proceedings of the programme were carried on by a student Shazia Manhas. The programme was concluded with the vote of thanks by Prof Hema Kumari.

