

Empowering Through Awareness

Conclave on Menstrual Health & Hygiene

Project Period



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What is the Conclave About?

Discussion on menstrual health awareness and solutions.



This conclave will bring together global experts, NGOs, policymakers, healthcare providers, and educators to address the challenges of menstrual health and hygiene..

We will discuss topics like menstrual stigma, menstrual product access, hygiene education, and policy reform for better menstrual health.





The event aims to create a comprehensive approach to menstrual health that includes education, advocacy, and action plans to improve facilities and services for women and girls









What Will We Discuss?

Key topics and insights on menstrual health.



Menstrual Health Education Improving awareness in schools, workplaces, and communities.



Access to Menstrual Products
Ensuring affordable and
sustainable menstrual hygiene
products for all.



Breaking the Stigma Addressing cultural taboos surrounding menstruation.



Policy and Advocacy Creating policies to support menstrual health at national and local levels.



Environmental Impact
Sustainable and eco-friendly
menstrual products.



Mental and Emotional Health
Addressing the psychological
aspects of menstruation.















Program Partners

Collaborating for Impact Through Strong, Meaningful Partnerships

IIT Bhubaneswar Research and Entrepreneurship Park



IIT Bhubaneswar Research and Entrepreneurship Park, established in 2017, is a dynamic innovation hub designed to nurture early-stage startups and research across diverse fields like technology, engineering, and social entrepreneurship. Spanning 60,000 square feet, it offers state-of-the-art infrastructure, including incubation centers, laboratories, and networking spaces, along with vital resources such as funding, mentorship, and industry connections. The park's Centers of Excellence (CoEs) focus on advancing key sectors and empowering industries. In line with its vision to make Odisha a thriving innovation hub, the park launched the 100 CUBE initiative in February 2024, aiming to nurture 100 startups worth Rs. 100 Crore by 2036. This initiative fosters entrepreneurship among students, faculty, and school children, contributing to India's self-reliance and sustainable development. Through collaborations with industry, government, and academia, the park fuels innovation and economic growth in Odisha and beyond.

ActionLab 2050 Foundation (AL50)

Action Lab 2050 Foundation(AL50), a Social Enterprise, was born out of a vision to make a difference to women and create an environment in which every woman and girl can exercise her human rights and live up to her full potential. We are a purpose driven organization which strives to reduce inequality through advocacy for inclusion and equality in all spheres, using laws, policies, and public programs in keeping with the UNDP's SDG goals. Our core focus is to ensure that no woman is left out from living her full potential due to social stigma surrounding menstruation and menstrual health management initiatives. Our motto is to break the taboo around menstruation. Committed to solving challenges related to women's health, beginning with menstrual health management system, our actions and recommendations are collaborative, fair, transparent and time-bound.



United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)



UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) champions child rights and well-being globally. UNICEF has been a technical partner for Government of India (and state Government of Odisha) menstrual health and hygiene (MHH) programs since past 25 years. UNICEF extends support for advancing MHH programs through research to assess situation on ground followed by policy advocacy, capacity development of all stakeholders and support planning and program implementation to ensure girls can manage menstruation safely and with dignity. It collaborates with governments and partners to improve access to MHM education, infrastructure, and essential services, driving systemic change for gender equality and adolescent health.

Odisha Menstruation Health and Hygiene (OMHH) Alliance

The Odisha Menstrual Health Alliance (OMHA) is a coalition of partners working across Odisha to improve menstrual health and hygiene (MHH). It brings together organizations engaged in field interventions and policy-level advocacy to ensure better awareness, access to menstrual products, and WASH facilities. OMHA works to break stigma, integrate MHH into health and education programs, and promote sustainable menstrual products. It also focuses on improving WASH infrastructure in schools and public spaces. Through collaborative efforts, the alliance envisions a menstruation-friendly Odisha, ensuring dignity, safety, and inclusion for all menstruators.



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NGOs and Social Organizations:	Rs.500
External Faculty / Academicians / Govt. Officials / Industry & Healthcare Professionals / Corporate Representatives/ Policy Makers/Leaders:	Rs.750

Registration fees will provide free access to all sessions, workshops, and networking opportunities with key stakeholders in the field of menstrual health and hygiene, and last but not least access to the exhibition stalls for the innovative products available in the market for menstrual health and hygiene during the "Project Period" Conclave to be held on May 28, 2025.

Registration Link: https://rep.iitbbs.ac.in/mhh-conclave/

Candidates while filling up the form need to make payment of the Registration Fee and provide the details like payment reference number, mode, and date of payment therein prior to submitting the Google Form.

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