



International Day of the Girl Child and BBBP

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The **Ministry of Women and Child Development** organized a 10-day nationwide celebration of the International Day for the Girl Child from October 2nd to 11th 2023, under the **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) initiative**.

- The **theme** of this year's International Day of the Girl Child is **"Girls' Vision for the Future"**, which highlights the importance of gender equality, education, and opportunities for young girls.
- **History:** For the first time, the **1995 Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action** introduced a comprehensive plan to promote and advance girls' rights.
 - **In 2011, the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 66/170** to declare 11th October as the International Day of the Girl Child.
- **BBBP Scheme:**
 - It was **launched in January 2015** with the aim to **address sex selective abortion and the declining child sex ratio (0-6 years)** which was at **919 girls** for every 1,000 boys in 2011.
 - This is a joint initiative of the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Ministry of Human Resource Development.
 - The programme is being implemented **across 640 districts** in the country.
- **Government Initiatives to Promote Gender Parity:**
 - **Scheme for Adolescent Girls**
 - **Sukanya Samridhi Yojana**

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