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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Gandhi and Women's Empowerment in India – speech delivered by  
Ambassador Mrs. Nagma M. Mallick at Seminar in Tunis –  
2nd October, 2015**



At a seminar organized by the Mediterranean Development Initiative and Konrad Adenauer Stiftung in Tunis on Women's Empowerment in Tunisia on 2nd October, 2015, Ambassador Nagma M. Mallick delivered a keynote speech on Gandhi and Women's Empowerment in India. In her speech, she provided a detailed account of the freedom struggle of India and the role that Indian women played in it, responding to the call of Gandhiji. She also outlined the social and religious reforms that Gandhiji undertook in favour of Indian women along with his programme of political action. She then detailed the achievements and challenges of women in contemporary India. She went on to felicitate Tunisian

women for their extraordinary achievements in building up Tunisian society, lauding the constitutional and legal safeguards secured to them over the years.

2. The seminar was inaugurated by H.E. Mrs. Samira Merai, Tunisian Minister for Women and Family Affairs. Other dignitaries, both Tunisian and foreign, were present. The seminar also saw the launch of a report on women in Tunisia prepared by UK-based association Development Progress. The seminar was well attended by government representatives, intellectuals, media persons and ordinary Tunisians.

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