improved availability of books for girl students

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DEHRADUN, 22 Apr: In the context of World Book Day on 23 April, the International Federation of University Women (IFUW), Indian Federation of University Women’s Association (IFUWA) and University Women’s Association of Dehradun (UWA) have urged governments to legislate for cheap, extensive internet and mobile access to ensure that secondary school girls, in particular, have easy and regular access to books, digital and paper books.

To build resilient communities and sustainable economies, girls must have the opportunity to complete secondary, tertiary, continuing and non-traditional educations. Access to paper and digital books is a stronger predictor of children’s educational attainment than parents’ occupation, social class or income.

“There is limited learning without books and limited economic development without learning,” according to IFUW President Catherine Bell. “Digital books, or e-books, can offer improved access to education for all secondary school age girls, including marginalised girls such as those living in remote and rural areas, those without access to schools, those without safe access to education and those who are disabled.”

The International Federation of University Women is based in Geneva, Switzerland. Founded in 1919, IFUW is the leading girls’ and women’s global organisation advocating women’s rights, equality and empowerment through access to quality education and training up to the highest levels. IFUW is in special consultative status with ECOSOC and is an NGO maintaining official relations with UNESCO. This has been conveyed in a press release jointly by Chairperson Daljeet Kaur, President Sumantob Singh, Vice President Surinder Kaur, Secretary Mohini Sharma, Shevele Rai Talwar - Association Representative and Publicity Convener.

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Sunday 20th April: Doon Sikh Welfare Society in collaboration with Bharat Heart Institute will be holding a free health camp on April 20 at Shri Guru Nanak Nivas, Subhash Road from 10 am to 2 pm. ECG, diabetes and other health tests will be done free by Bharat Hospital staff, according to Dr. Chetan Sharma.

Wednesday 23rd April: The International Federation of University Women (IFUW), Indian Federation of University Women's Association (IFUWI), and University Women's Association of Dehradun (UWA) urge governments to ensure that secondary schoolgirl students have access to both digital and paper books on the occasion of World Book Day on 23 April 2014. To build resilient communities and sustainable economies, girls must have the opportunity to complete secondary, tertiary, continuing and non-traditional education. Access to paper and digital books is a stronger predictor of children's educational attainment than parents' occupation, social class or income. "There is limited learning without books and limited economic development without learning," said IFUW President Catherine Bell. "Digital books, or e-books, can offer improved access to education for all secondary school-age girls, including marginalized girls such as those living in remote and rural areas, those without transport to school, those without safe access to education and those who are disabled." The International Federation of University Women (IFUW) is based in Geneva, Switzerland. Founded in 1919, IFUW is the leading girls' and women's global organization advocating for women's rights, equality and empowerment through access to quality education and training up to the highest levels. IFUW is in special consultative status with ECOSOC and is an NGO maintaining official relations with UNESCO. Daljeet Kaur - Chairperson, Santosh Singh - Pres, Surinder Kalia - Vice Prez, Mohini Sharma - Sec, Shevata Rai Talwar - Association Representative and Publicity Convener.