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Quizzing Eves battle it out on issues



Winners Mera Krishnaswamy (extreme left) and Vinita Sai at the quiz contest. Chief guest Suhasini Maniratnam is also seen

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THE saying that behind every successful man there is a woman seemed outdated and cliched. A quiz event organised by the Duchess Club, an all-women organisation, at Savera Hotel to commemorate International Women's Day rang a different note. Armed with wit, intelligence and grace, more than 350 women

from all walks of life gathered for the event.

Fun and frolic best described the four-hour quiz programme conducted on the theme of "About Women, for Women". The Quest - The Duchess all Women's Quiz 2006, attracted more than 150 participants. The theme of the event revolved around entertainment, popular literature, sports, women achievers and current affairs.

The event celebrated and cherished the grace of being a women.

Putting in the limelight the women of substance and worth, the event started with preliminary rounds where 25 questions was read out by Bharat Epur, the quiz master. Each time the questions popped up, the participants scribbled their answers on the sheet provided. The questions ranged from who was the only Indian women awarded with the highest American Civilian Award (Medal Of Freedom), identifying rare flowers, logos and paintings.

The quiz proceeded with the selection of 12 finalists, who battled out for the final round. The event emphasised on audience participation. As Bharat Epur scuffled around the aisle, throwing questions to the audience, he was bombarded with answers.

The chief guest, Suhasini Maniratnam, presented a cash award of Rs 80,000 to winners Vinita Sai and Meera Krishnaswamy. According to the organisers, part of the proceeds from the events will go to the International Foundation for Crime Prevention and Victim Care (PCVC).