



WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CELL

(VIDUSHEE GARGI –CENTRE FOR WOMEN DEVELOPMENT)

GUJARAT TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

“VIDUSHI GARGI” the daughter of sage Vachaknu was an ancient Indian philosopher. From a young age she evinced keen interest in Vedic scriptures and became very proficient in fields of philosophy. She became highly knowledgeable in the Vedas and Upanishads in the Vedic times and held intellectual debates with other philosophers. In Vedic Literature, she is honored as a great natural philosopher, renowned expounder of the Vedas and known as Brahmavadini, a person with knowledge of Brahma Vidya. She is also said to have written many hymns in the Rigveda.

She remained a celibate all her life and was held in veneration by the conventional Hindus. She became highly knowledgeable in the Vedas and Upanishads in the Vedic times and held intellectual debates with other philosophers.

Thousands of years before her time Gargi who lived in Vedic times discussed the subject of individual’s relation with the universe - nucleus of Vedantha. She is also a head of a lineage known as Gargi gothram.

Name Gargi generally means Name of a learned woman or Goddess Durga or Scholar, is of Indian origin, Name Gargi is a Feminine name. Vidushi Gargi was a leading scholar who also made rich contributions to propagate education. That’s why we named our esteem organization’s Women development cell as “**VIDUSHI GARGI – CENTRE FOR WOMEN DEVELOPMENT**”