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Indian School of Business partnered with the Indian Development Foundation (IDF) to organise the 2018 edition of Young Thinkers’ Conference (YTC) on Friday.

Kavitha, MP Kavitha, who attended the keynote address at the inaugural session, touched upon three important issues, which need greater attention, by women.

Firstly, work and geographical places must be more women-friendly, and secondly, there was a need to gender-budgeting at the national level as initiated by the Telangana government.

Thirdly, on women leadersh,

Kavitha emphasised that India as a nation never had a mental block to have women in top leadership positions. However, there was no way to go to achieve women’s excellence and this needed support from men and men emancipation of women through education, she said.

33% reservation

Kavitha urged the organisers of the conference to form a pressure group to get the Bill of 33 per cent reservation for women passed in the Parliament. “Such a disruptive intervention is required to achieve the required empowerment,” she said.

Andrew Fleming, British Deputy High Commissioner, Hyderabad, spoke about the importance of entrepreneurial women and the need to support it.

The UK government is envisaging 1.1 million women entrepreneurs, which will add 95 billion pounds, by 2025, he said. However, referring to WEF reports, which showed a widening of the gender gap in education, health, economic and political empowerment, he emphasised the need for addressing the inequality that persists in spite of the clear advantage of having women in economic and political roles.

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K Kavitha, Nizamabad MP, and Andrew Fleming, British Deputy High Commissioner, at the Young Thinkers’ Conference on Friday.