

Hartek Group celebrates Women's Day



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In a glowing tribute to womanhood on the occasion of International Women's Day, the Chandigarh-based Hartek Group, one of India's fastest growing concerns in the power sector, today honoured women achievers from the region who have stood against the tide, broken male bastions and never looked back.

At a special "Celebrating Womanhood" felicitation ceremony organised here by women employees of the Hartek Group, Chandigarh Mayor Asha Kumari Jaswal honoured the outstanding women achievers with mementos, commendation certificates and cash awards. Appreciating the initiative taken by the Hartek Group, the Mayor said, "Such women are the pride of our society. We should draw attention to their inspiring success sto-

ries at every given opportunity so that they act as role models for other women."

The awardees included Manjit Kaur, an ambulance driver in Jalandhar who forayed into male bastion by taking up this job nine years ago to support her family after her husband suffered a paralytic attack, Mandeep Kaur, who broke yet another male bastion by becoming a Chandigarh Transport Undertaking (CTU) bus conductor two years ago but not before facing stiff resistance from her family members, Dolly, who works as a security guard at a city hotel where she also does night shifts to support her family of five, and Radha Devi, the sole breadwinner of her family who has been running a tea stall in Sector 34, Chandigarh, for the past 10 years to repay her family's loan and support her seven siblings.