

# MAITRI MILESTONES

OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2025

SISTERHOOD. COURAGE.  
ASPIRATIONS.



*A vibrant community of girls raising each other on  
courage and shared aspirations*



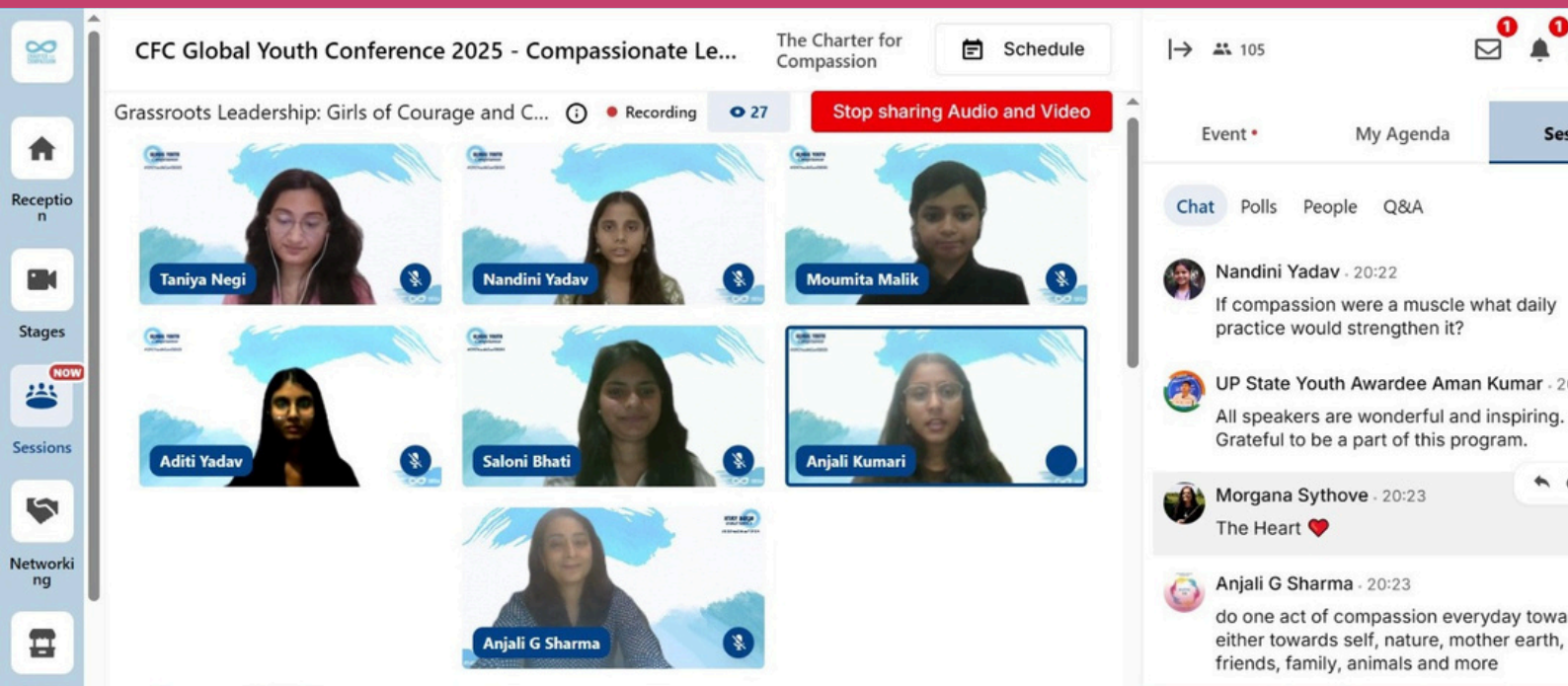


# Illuminating Futures: Empowering Girls Through Diwali Stalls

During **Diwali**, the festival of lights, Maitri created opportunities for talented girls from the community to showcase their art by setting up stalls. This initiative empowered them and nurtured their entrepreneurial spirit. The girls were able to sell their work at good prices and interact with people, opening pathways for future entrepreneurship.

They also visited the campus of the renowned management school, **FIIB**, where interactions with students and faculty helped broaden their understanding of pitching, selling, and adapting their ideas effectively.





## Grassroots Leadership: Girls of Courage & Compassion

At the **2025 Global Youth Conference**, the annual youth centric event organised by the global **Charter for Compassion, USA**, Maitri girls represented their community on a global stage. They shared real stories about their struggles and how they turned them into strength.

In that one powerful hour, their voices spoke not just for themselves, but for many girls dreaming of change and independence. With constant guidance and support, and an encouraging interaction with **Ms. Anum Mulla**, *Global Youth Strategist at Charter for Compassion*, the experience became a proud and unforgettable moment for the Maitri community.



# Expert Session I

Maitri conducted **Learning from the Mentor** - a focussed session designed exclusively for participants of our Online Art Exhibition 2025- Canvas of Aspirations-2.

The session was led by **Ms. Rhiti**, founder of renowned art school *Artisana*, who shared professional insights drawn from her experience in the art ecosystem. The discussion focused on strengthening individual artistic voice, offering constructive feedback, and addressing creative challenges faced by the artists.

The session provided a meaningful space for reflection, learning, and artistic development to support artistic growth through structured guidance and reflective dialogue.

*Learning from the Mentor*  
Expert Session by

**Ms. Rhiti Chatterjee Bose**  
Founder: *Artisana*

An interactive session with the featured Artists of Online Exhibition 2025 - *Canvas of Aspirations*, season 2

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THE FUNDAMENTALS BEHIND THE ART

ARTISANA ART CLASSES

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Rhiti is presenting

# Expert Session II

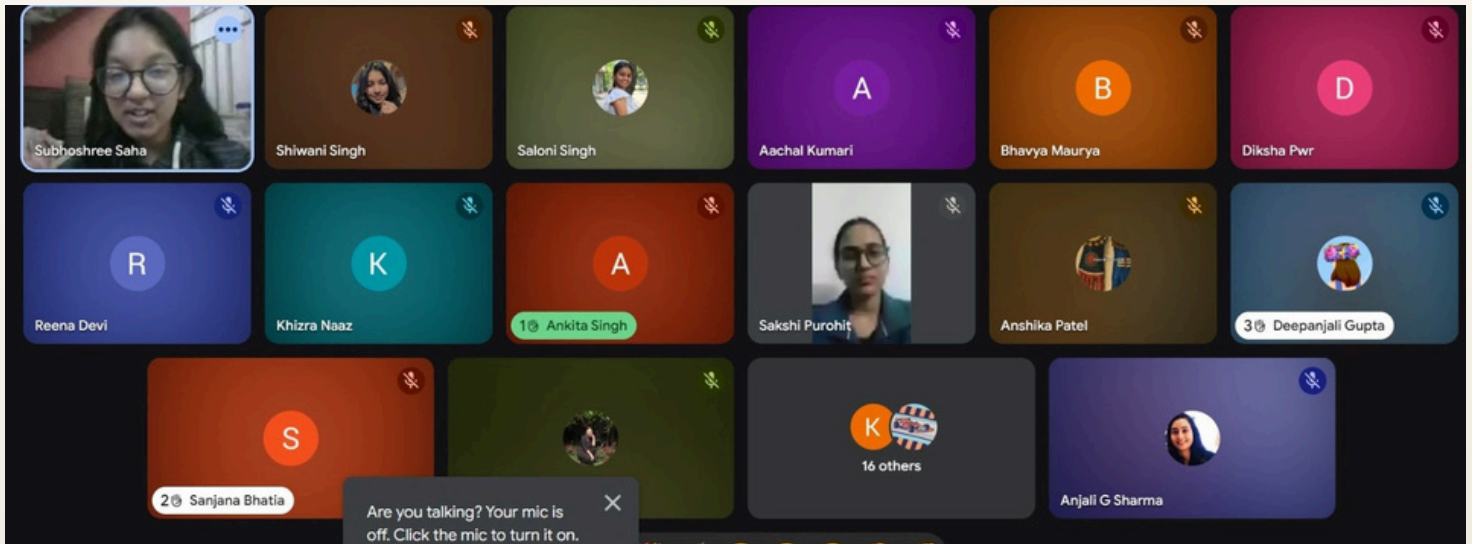
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In November, a counselling session was held for students of Classes X, XI, XII, and college with **Ms. Aesha Shah**, founder of *EduCareerGuide*. The session focused on academic and career concerns, including study strategies, subject selection, smart decision-making, and future planning.

Our girls actively participated by asking questions and sharing their concerns. With practical examples and structured explanations, complex topics were made easy to understand. The session helped students gain clarity about their options and supported them in making informed choices during important academic transitions.

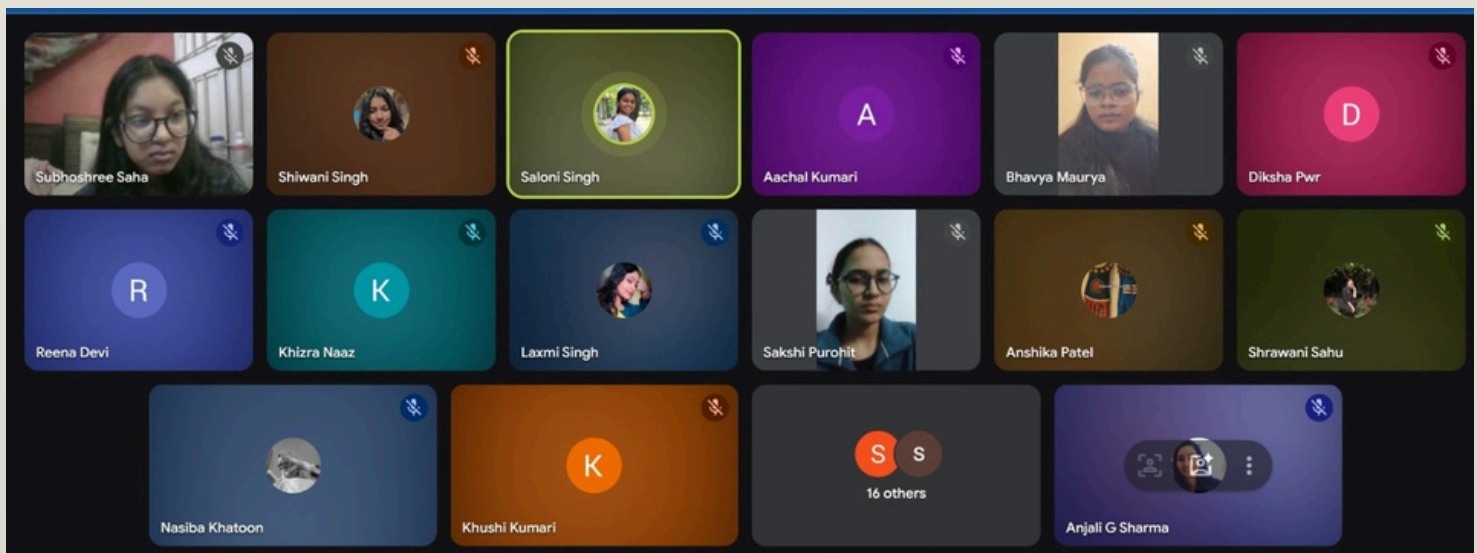


# Peer Mentoring: Guidance Session on KARM Fellowship



An informative guidance session was held with **Subhoshree Saha**, a *KARM Fellow 2024* and *Maitri senior member*. The session focused on providing an overview of the fellowship, including its objectives, structure, and application process. Drawing from her personal experience, she shared practical insights and addressed participants' questions in detail.

The interaction offered younger members of the community clarity on available opportunities and a better understanding of the application journey. The session supported informed decision-making and helped participants approach future applications with greater confidence and preparedness.





In the month of December, Maitri girls had the remarkable opportunity to organise a creative exhibition at prestigious **Times Office, Noida**, where they set up and managed their own stalls. The exhibition showcased original artwork, handmade accessories, and other creative products developed by the girls, building on the experience from an earlier exhibition in October. This opportunity was made possible through the support and guidance of our dear mentor **Ms. Ruchira**, whose mentorship enabled the girls to take this significant step.

## Entrepreneurial Spirits: Maitri Girls Take Charge

The opportunity provided a practical platform for the girls to interact with the employees, present their work, and manage sales independently. Our girls grew on confidence, communication skills, entrepreneurial initiative and made good revenue from their own creations





# Representing Maitri at the Vahani Trust Winter Conference 2025

At Maitri, we work closely with Vahani team to motivate girls in class 12<sup>th</sup> for success in many scholarship schemes including Vahani. Maitri leads **Nandini Yadav** and **Bhavya Maurya** proudly represented the community at the **Vahani Trust Winter Conference 2025** and interacted with a gathering of scholars, leaders, alumni, and changemakers



The event provided valuable insights, dialogue, and inspiration on supporting students beyond financial aid, reaffirming the power of community, collaboration, and shared purpose.



Our **EY Disha 2025 scholars** attended the *Induction Ceremony* at the EY office, where they were formally welcomed into the EY Disha community. The programme supports meritorious and deserving girls on financial and mentorship aid. The induction introduced scholars to EY values of growth, resilience, and collaboration, with discussions and networking sessions that motivated them as they began their EY Disha journey.

At Maitri, we take pride in carefully mentoring and preparing girls after their class 10<sup>th</sup> boards for this prestigious scholarship through end-to-end support - from guiding them through the application process, preparing them for interviews, to assisting with documentation. This structured mentoring plays a key role in supporting girls to crack opportunities like EY Disha which fast tracks them on academic and professional growth.



## EY Disha Batch 2025 Induction



*"Be professional, respond and show up consistently."*

**~Sarita**

Process Developer, Genpact Noida



*"You need support-someone who pushes you forward. Listen to your seniors, and share your thoughts instead of keeping them to yourself."*

**~Sumitra**

Trainer, Benette University

## Empowering Voices: Panel Discussions

During Maitri's Meet & Greet 2025, insightful panel discussions were organised with women professionals from the Maitri community to motivate and encourage young girls. The discussions highlighted real workplace experiences, the importance of mentorship, clear communication, continuous learning, and balancing professional growth with mental and physical well-being. The sessions concluded on an empowering note, encouraging young participants to take risks, build confidence, and navigate their journeys with resilience and self-belief. It was heartening to see how mothers also came forward and engaged with these young role models with their questions and experiences.



# Felicitation of Promising Leaders

Our girls step into leadership across outreach, content, peer mentoring, event planning, and beyond - ensuring the community grows through the spirit of paying it forward.



This December, the community came together for the **Maitri Community Awards 2025** to felicitate our community champions and inspire new members to walk the path of leadership, compassion, initiative and impact - carrying forward the values that keep Maitri thriving.



## COME BE A PART OF MAITRI'S JOURNEY....

As our girls step beyond the school gates into a new chapter—whether transitioning from Class 10 to Class 11 with chosen subjects, or embarking on their journey into higher education filled with dreams and determination—they do so with courage, hope, and the need for continued support.

At Maitri, we see ourselves as opportunity catalysts. We aim to map scholarships for the deserving and the under-resourced, curate internship opportunities that prepare our girls for the world of work, and provide mentorship that helps them shine in their chosen paths. We invite you to walk alongside them.

Write to us at [maitri.aspire@gmail.com](mailto:maitri.aspire@gmail.com) and share how you'd like to be part of their journey. We look forward to your support and walking with us in the new year 2026.