

3rd World women journalists training course

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BERLIN, Oct. 29: Women journalists from 10 developing countries of Asia and Africa are taking part in a six-week exchange of experience which opened at the School of Solidarity in Berlin, German Democratic Republic (GDR) on October 6, says ADN.

They come from Angola, Bangladesh, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Iraq, Somalia, Syria and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.

The programme includes two colloquies and excursions to three GDR countries. Under discussion are the role of women in the newly-independent states of Africa and Asia, their participation in public life and chances of vocational training. Another item is dedicated to the tasks of the media for attaining equality of women.

On the opening day, Lieselotte Thoms-Heinrich, Chief Editor of the 'Für Dich' women's Illustrated, read a paper on the role of women in the GDR. She dealt with translating into reality of women's equality in the GDR and explained measures introduced by the state for making it easier for women to reconcile professional and family life.

The school of solidarity is run by the GDR's Journalists' Union. It has founded in 1963 and has since organised advanced courses for 375 journalists from 38 countries of Asia and Africa. School activities are mainly founded by subscriptions and solidarity donations of the members of the Journalists' Union.

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