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here in Cuba
In almost every work center and school today international
womens day will be celebrated with parties and presents.

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The Cuban revolution beats that women have made big strides
in terms of equality since the revolution. About thirty five percent
of the work force is now women, there are many nurseries and
fifty percent of the medical students and a third of the engineering
students are women.

Old taboos have been broken down over the past two decades.
Premarital sex is ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ common, abortions are ~~xxx~~ legal and
free and contraceptive devices are easily available - any girl over
16 can have an ~~intrauterine device~~ IUD ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
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~~xxx~~ along with this - as in other countries, the divorce rate is
way up and, as the head of the Cuban womens federation said last week,
prejudices still exist. She was speaking of the hangups about women
becoming such things as mechanics, plumbers and carpenters.

But despite laws that make inequality illegal and say that
men must share in the household chores, machismo still persists in
Cuba. There are still many men who won't accept women on equal terms
and there is still a double standard of morality for men and women.
Cuban leader fidel castro has said that women must make a revolution
within a revolution and many women are beginning to take that
advice seriously.

For CBC ~~xxxxx~~ neww this is lionel martin in havana, Cuba

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