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ACTIVITIES FOR YEAR 2016-17

PROGRAMMES ORGANIZED

- The Centre for Women's Studies organised intercollegiate Slogan writing, Painting and Debate in Commemoration of **World Breast Feeding Week**. on 4th August 2016 at the college Library Hall.

The Centre for Women's Studies organised a Skit on Breast Feeding in Collaboration with Mehta Hospital at Chetpet on 5th August 2016. 30 NCC cadets participated in it.



Students' Participation in Breast feeding Week Celebration

- **An Awareness Programme** on the topic “**Role & Responsibility of Youth in Protecting the Environment**” was conducted by the Centre for Women’s Studies on 17.10.16, at the College Auditorium. The Chief Guest was Prof .Dr.Krishan Kant Sharma, Chief Scientist at the AMM Murugappa Chettiar Research Centre, Chennai. The programme started with invocation from the Holy Qur’an. Justice Mr G.M. Akbar Ali, Advisor to SIE Trust graced the occasion with his presence through out the lecture. The Director , CWS, Dr.S.Jameela gave the welcome address. The speaker deliberated on the importance of our environment with power point presentation. He also brought out various natural resources available and the need to protect them. Awareness was created about the ill-effects of using mobile phones too. The lecture progressed and there was an interactive session too. The programme came to a close with vote of thanks by a student representative.



Glimpses of the Awareness Programme

- **An awareness Programme** on the topic, “**Understanding Muslim Personal Laws and the Debates on the Uniform Civil Code**” was organized by the centre for Women’s Studies on 16.11.16 at the **Golden Jubilee Seminar Hall**. All faculty members of both forenoon and afternoon sessions attended the programme. Justice **Mr.G.M.Akbar Ali**, Advisor to the SIE Trust, delivered the special lecture. The entire concept of Islamic Law was highlighted . The origin and development of Islamic law and rules pertaining to women’s rights was explained in a lucid way. The role of Islamic clerics, importance of Sharia etc. was also brought out. The myth and reality of Islamic Law was brought to light in a comprehensive way. Many Case Studies relating to Triple Talaq and problems faced by women due to marriage, polygamy was also highlighted. The importance of codifying Islamic laws was also explained. Awareness was created among the teaching faculty regarding marital security.



Mr.G.M.Akbar Ali, Advisor to the SIE Trust, creating Awareness on Uniform Civil Code

- The Centre for Women's Studies conducted a **Special Lecture on 29/12/2016 on the topic, "Unearthing Strategies to Curb Online Violence Against Women". Prof.Dr.P.Sakthivel, Associate Professor in Public Administration and Political Science, Annamalai University, Chidambaram**, was the Chief Guest and speaker. The speaker deliberated on various forms of violence faced by women in general and specified on the various forms of violence girls face due to social networking. The students were advised about the necessity to use their mobile phones in a safe manner. The speaker through power point presentation, enlightened the students with images of various forms of online violence . He also brought out several case studies of online violence victims and stunned the audience. Awareness was created on the various APPS available for women's safety and security. He also taught the students how to use those applications to counter threats, stalking, acid attacks etc. The session was highly interactive and the students were greatly benefited by this programme.



Prof.Dr.P.Sakthivel, delivering special lecture



Students' Interaction

The Centre for Women's Studies conducted its **Academic Audit on 11/01/17**. The Director made a Power Point Presentation on the activities carried out by the CENTRE in a lucid way. All the records were scrutinised. There was also an interaction with the NME students, by the External Auditor, **Dr.Mrs. Ansuman Rabboni, Co-Ordinator, Centre for Women's Studies, Madras Christian College, Chennai**. The external auditor gave her comments and suggestions and identified areas for improvement of the Centre .



Dr.Mrs. Ansuman Rabboni, External Auditor at the Academic Audit of CWS, 2016-17

- **A Training programme** for the III year students was organised by the Centre for Women's Studies on **03/02/17 at the college Auditorium. Dr. Periyakaruppu, Trainer from Research and Action Centre for National Integration and International Cooperation, Chennai** was the resource person. It was a brilliantly designed training on "Safety and Security of Female Community". It was an innovative method for answering the various questions that have been raised by the society on the protection and promotion of women's rights and safety. Sensitisation as a preventive measure on the danger of insecurity to female community was very systematically inculcated to our students' minds. Some of the most vital physical training techniques were also conducted with a motive of empowering the students to face and overcome any kind of sexual threat from social elements. This training potentially empowered our students' mind and body. It also encouraged their self-confidence to withstand the threats they might face. It was indeed a highly valuable training. All registered participants were awarded certificates.



Training Programme " Safety and Security of Female Community"

A Legal Awareness programme for Women was organised by the CWS in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority on 18/02/17 at the college Auditorium. Advocates from the High Court , Chennai were the resource persons. Mr. A. Nazir Ahamad, District Judge and Member Secretary, T.N. State Legal Services Authority was the guest of honour. He enlightened the students about the role of District Legal Services Authority in providing legal aid to citizens and specially to women. Five advocates from Madras High Court and one Deputy Superintendent of Police,NIBCID were the distinguished speakers. Mr. K. Thilages war an, advocate, spoke about gender justice and women empowerment . Mrs. S. Bharathi, advocate deliberated on the challenges of being a woman. Mrs. P. Selvi, advocate explained about how women are protected by law and the various constitutional provisions available for protection of women’s rights. Mr. Ponram,DYSP/NIBCID, explained about drug abuse and its impact on women. He brought out the vrious problems faced by women due to alcoholism and drug abuse. Mrs. Sumithra Chakravarthi, advocate lectured on law relating to muslim marriage and its impact on muslim women. She highlighted on triple talaq and its impact on muslim society. Mr. S. Arunachalam, advocate, brought out the role of women in nation bulding . About 220 students registered themselves and benefited from the programme and were issued certificate of participation.



Mr. FAIZUR RAHMAN SAYEED, LLB (Canada), Correspondent, J.B.A.S College for Women – Presidential address



Mr. A. Nazir Ahamad, District Judge and Member Secretary, TNSLSA (Middle) Mrs. S. Bharathi, advocate, Madras High Court



Mr. A. Nazir Ahamad- Inaugural address

Mrs. P. Selvi advocate, Madras High Court



Mr. S. Arunachalam advocate, Madras High Court

Mrs. Sumithra Chakravarthi advocate, Madras High Court



Mr. Ponram, DYSP/NIBCID



Mr. K. Thilageswaran advocate, Madras High Court



The Director, **Dr. S. Jameela** attended a **Women Studies Centres Directors' Meeting** at **Bharathidasan University, Trichy** on **27th and 28th of February 2017**. As the XII PLAN period was coming to the close and there is no UGC communication of funding for the subsequent period, the meeting was organised to submit a Memorandum to UGC and MHRD. A workshop on Research funding Opportunities was also organised on 28th of

February. Directors of CWS from various colleges and universities participated and finally led to the drafting of the memorandum, for continuance of financial assistance to CWS by the UGC.



CWS Directors' Meeting Bharathidasan University, Trichy.

To Mark the celebrations of **International Women's Day 2017**, the Centre for Women's Studies organized **Inter-departmental competitions**. 85 participants from various departments of our college participated in Essay writing, Debate, Poetry writing, pot painting and poster making. The central theme of the competitions was "**woman**". The debate was on "Are women really empowered", The topic for essay writing was, "Women and social media", beautiful paintings on pots were made on the theme "Woman", Good poetry was written by the participants on "Woman" excellent posters were presented by the participants on the theme, "Woman Achievers". All the competitions were judged by the professors of various departments of forenoon session. The programme concluded with the prize distribution which was graced by the **Advisor, Justice Mr. G.M. Akbar Ali, the Principal Dr. Shanaz Ahamad, the Financial consultant Mr. Selvam and Mr. Dasanathan, P.A. to Hon'ble Chairman, SIE Trust. I, II, III and consolation prizes were given away to the winners by the Advisor, SIE Trust.**







Advisor, Justice Mr. G.M. Akbar Ali, the Principal Dr. Shanaz Ahamad, the Financial consultant Mr. Selvam and Mr. Dasanathan at the Interdepartmental Competitions- Women's Day 2017 Celebrations

Dr. S. Jameela, Director participated in the Southern Region Workshop for UGC Women's Studies Centres at Bangalore University on 22nd March 2017. Directors/Co-ordinators of Southern Region CWS of Karnataka, Kerala, Tamilnadu, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Pondicherry were the participants. Needs and challenges of women's studies as an academic discipline were deliberated. Reflections from CWS were obtained and an agenda for action was drafted. There was a panel discussion on women's issues in global perspective and the need to develop research on women in science and technology. Deliberations were carried out on the diverse needs of Indian women with a focus to develop inclusive society. Inclusion of women with disability in the mainstream development was also discussed. The workshop concluded with the Drafting of Action Plan to Rejuvenate Women's Studies Centres. The speakers were Prof. Meena Chandawarkar, chairperson, UGC Standing committee on Women's Studies, Smt .Archana, Prof. Anjali Deshpande, Dr. Indumathi Rao, the standing committee members of UGC. The draft of the Action Plan was submitted to the Chair person, UGC Standing Committee on Women's Studies.



Dr. S. JAMEELA, Director CWS, participated in the submission of a Memorandum to UGC, CWS Standing committee Chair person, Prof. Meena Chandawarkar- Bangalore University

DR. S. JAMEELA, DIRECTOR CWS - PAPERS PRESENTED AT NATIONAL SEMINARS.

- “Rural water supply in India- Challenges and Strategies” at Meenakshi College, Chennai on 24.11.16
- “Impact of Globalisation on India” at Kandaswamy Naidu College, Chennai 24.02.17
- “Challenges confronting professional Women” at Bharathidasan University, Trichy 27.02.17
- Participated in a National Conference on Excellence in Higher Education, organised by IQAC, JBAS College for Women 04.02.17

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