

Report of Legal Literacy Cell (2019-20)



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The Legal Literacy Cell of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh is dedicated to the cause of enlightening the masses, be it in the rural sections, amongst women, or the less privileged sections or even in the urban areas where people despite being educated enough, are still not aware of their legal rights and the procedure to exercise them.

The **Installation Ceremony** of the cell for the session 2019-20 was held on **September 13, 2019**, under the stewardship of **Ms. Sukhpreet Bhatia, the Convener of the Club** wherein, 25 members were enrolled for being part of the club. Out of these students, the student office-bearers of the cell were elected: **President** (Muskan Lamba BA III), **Vice-president** (Bhavya Sharma, BA III), **Secretary** (Vibhuti Lamba, BA I) and **Joint Secretary** (Manvi Uberoi, BCom I). The members were given cognizance of the aims and objectives of the cell with the volunteers throwing light on a slew of activities that the Club aimed to undertake in order to spread the light of legal literacy among the masses. All the members of the cell were persuaded to do their bit towards the society and make the citizens legally empowered. The volunteers also expressed their novel ideas on how they could help strengthen the legal procedures in the country and attempt to fix the loopholes.

A talk on '**Fundamental Duties in the Indian Constitution**' was organized by the cell in collaboration with SLSA and the Department of Sociology of the college. **Mr. Mahavir Singh, Member Secretary, State Legal Services Authority (SLSA), Chandigarh, Dr. Neha Awasthi, Counsel, Chandigarh Administration and Mr. Rajeshwar Singh, Law Officer, SLSA, Chandigarh** interacted with the students to raise awareness about fundamental duties of Indian citizens as enshrined in the Constitution. Introducing the concept of fundamental duties, Mr. Mahavir Singh apprised the audience of the need to have them. Dr. Neha Awasthi enlightened the audience about the relationship between fundamental rights, Directive Principles of State Policy and fundamental duties through relevant examples. Shedding light on the nature of fundamental duties and their significance as a reminder to citizens of their duties towards their country as well as fellow countrymen, Dr. Awasthi motivated the students to actively participate in the realization of national goals. The members of the cell were exhorted to cherish the traditions of the motherland and spread the nation-first sentiment further.



Office bearers for the session 2019-20 being elected



Legal luminaries being welcomed by the Principal Dr. Nisha Bhargava



Talk on Fundamental duties of citizens



Mr. Mahavir Singh, Member Secretary, State Legal Services and Dr. Neha Awasthi, Counsel, Chandigarh Administration addressing the members of the cell on Constitutional Duties