

Report of Legal Literacy Club (2017-18)



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The Cell was constituted in March 2018

The Legal Literacy Cell of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women, Chandigarh was constituted under the aegis of State Legal Services Authority (SLSA) with the primary function of spreading legal literacy and awareness in the neighbourhood and act as a bridge between the persons in need of Legal Services and SLSA. The cell is dedicated to the cause of enlightening the masses, be it in the rural sections, amongst women, 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 members of the Teaching Faculty, who are part of the Cell have been taken from diverse departments to make it as inclusive as possible so that inputs from different fields of study may widen the horizons. The Convener Ms. Sukhpreet Bhatia is from the Department of English, Dr. Neela Pawar from Mathematics, Dr. Geeta Bhagat from Psychology and, Ms. Nidhi Sharma and Dr. Kiran Jindal from Commerce.

For fulfilling the objective of spreading Legal Literacy to the maximum, the **Installation Ceremony of the Club was held on 31st March, 2018**, wherein, 25 members were enrolled in the Cell. Out of these students, the student Office Bearers of the Cell were selected: **President** (Mrigna, MA1 English), **Vice-President** (Aashna, BA2), **Secretary** (Muskaan Lamba, BA1) and **Joint Secretary** (Bhavya Sharma, BA1). The students participated in the event with great zeal and showed their enthusiasm in taking the message of citizens' legal rights forward.

A talk on '**Legal Aspects of Women Safety**' by **Prof. Nishtha Jaiswal** (*Mehr Chand Mahajan Professor of Law* and former chairperson UILS), currently Vice Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh Law University, was organized by the Cell on **11th April, 2018**. The session was highly invigorating as it touched upon various vital issues of women safety confronting the world in the contemporary scenario. The students were enlightened about the various laws existing in our country that remedy the cause of women injustice and gender stereotypes, like the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act (2005), Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act (1971) etc., with an extended discussion on each of these issues duly complemented with the most appropriate examples, adding to the legal knowledge of the students. The session saw an enthusiastic and zealous participation by the students. Prof. Nishtha Jaswal also presented the book '*Awake and Transformation into Cyber Czars*' authored by Amarinder Sharma, to the student Office Bearers of the cell.



Installation Ceremony of the Cell 2017-18

महिला सुरक्षा के वैधिक पहलुओं पर चर्चा



जगमार्ग न्यूज

चंडीगढ़। एमसीएम के लीगल लिटरेसी क्लब ने लीगल आस्पेक्ट्स ऑफ वूमन सेफ्टी पर पंजाब विश्वविद्यालय के लॉ विभाग की पूर्व चेयरपर्सन प्रोफेसर निष्ठा जसवाल का वक्तव्य आयोजित किया जिसका उद्देश्य स्टाफ एवं छात्राओं को भारत में महिला सुरक्षा को सुनिश्चित करने वाले विधिनियमों से अवगत कराना था।

इसमें वर्तमान परिदृश्य में समस्त संसार से लोहा लेते महिला सुरक्षा के ज्वलंत मुद्दे पर बातचीत की गई।

महिला अन्याय और लिंगवादी संकीर्णताओं की समस्याओं के समाधान से संबंधित वर्तमान कानूनों से भी छात्राओं को अवगत कराया गया। इन सुरक्षाधाराओं पर विस्तृत चर्चा करते हुए अनेक उदाहरणों द्वारा स्पष्ट किया गया। छात्राओं द्वारा उठाए गए कई प्रश्नों का

प्रोफेसर निष्ठा जसवाल ने अत्यंत सरल एवं समझनीय ढंग से समाधान किया जिससे सभी संतुष्ट हुए। लीगल लिटरेसी क्लब के इस प्रयास की सरहना करते हुए प्रिंसिपल डॉ. निशा भागव ने महिला अधिकारों से संबंधित मुद्दों पर बातचीत को इक्वीसर्वी सदी की चुनौतियों से युवा महिलाओं को सजग कर उन्हें आत्मविश्वासपूर्वक जूझने के महत्व को रेखांकित किया।