Title: Cyber Swachhta Mission 1.0

Activity: 6 months internship of Cyber Swachhta Mission under the aegis Digital India, flagship program of Ministry of Home Affairs Govt. of India in collaboration with Cyber Cell, Chandigarh Police.

Department: Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women in Collaboration with Chandigarh Police

Coordinator: Dr. Minakshi Rana

Date: November 2021 to May 2022

Date of Valedictory: 13th June, 2022

Venue: Tagore theatre, Chandigarh

No. of Interns: 78

Objectives: To promote cyber swachhta (hygiene) among massess.

Context:

The Chandigarh Police in collaboration with Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College For Women, Sector 36-A, Chandigarh and Punjab Engineering College (PEC), University of Engineering and Technology(UIET) Panjab University, organized 6 months internship program for the students under the flagship program of Cyber Swachhta Mission of Cyber Cell, Chandigarh Police from November 2021 to May, 2022.

Practice:

From November 2021 to May 2022, an internship programme was organised under the Cyber Swachhta Mission, a flagship programme of Digital India in partnership with the Cyber Cell of the Chandigarh Police. In today's digital world, cyber security is a major problem. On the 14th and 15th of November, 2021, a two-day national level training under the flagship programme cyber swachhta mission of the Cyber Cell, Chandigarh Police was held at SD College, Sector-32 and PGGGC 42. Mr.Rakshit Tandon, India's well-known cyber security expert, was in charge of the event. Several case studies were presented to the audience, raising awareness of the necessity of data privacy and security. The programme was officially started on November 17th at Tagore Theatre, Sector-18, Chandigarh. Following that, the Cyber Interns

created easy-to-understand posters and distributed them to residents in order to raise awareness about fake news, cyber fraud, misinformation, and disinformation. The posters displaying positive behaviour were displayed on social media to educate cyber volunteers on how to file a complaint. They were instructed to make phone calls and obtain thorough information regarding the filed complaint. They were also briefed on the inquiry process. Internet interns did a survey in order to improve Chandigarh police investigation and make the cyber world a safer place for its users. Keeping the internship's objective and goal in mind, the Chandigarh police, in cooperation with Infosys, conducted online sessions to train interns in technical matters or complaints. Because women have been the victims of the majority of cyber-attacks in the digital world, a social march was planned on the occasion of Women's Day, with cyber interns leading the way. The nukkad natak, which was done by ten college interns on the same day, demonstrated the varieties of eye-opening crimes that occur in various public settings.

On March 27, 2022, Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated a number of projects, including the state-of-the-art Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC). On the occasion, Punjab Governor Banwarlilal Purohit accompanied the Union Minister. He praised the Chandigarh administration for implementing significant systemic improvements. He praised the Chandigarh Police Department's work on e-FIRs and the Cyber Swachhta Mission. Union Home Minister Amit Shah presented certificates of gratitude to the Cyber Soldiers of the Cyber Swachhta Mission, which is run by Chandigarh Police. A Cyber Swachhta Yuva Club is being formulated, where young minds from classes 9 to 12 as well as those from colleges are invited to join. Cyber hygiene is instilled in the youth, preparing them to be secure and safe from cyber threats. Interns created a series of videos on Cyber Awareness that were shared on the Chandigarh Police Social Media accounts.

Evidence of Success: A total of 78 students of the college successfully completed 6 months internship as Cyber Soldiers in collaboration with Chandigarh Police under the aegis of Cyber Swachhta Mission, Digital India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

The college is first in UT of Chandigarh to sign a MOU with Chandigarh Police to promote Cyber Security, Human Rights, Gender Sensitization and emerging Police technologies. The two esteemed institutions joined hands to conduct various awareness programs to facilitate community policing through youth engagement. Based on the problems related to cyber security, women safety, public order and gender sensitization and other research projects and joint proposals as think fit by both the organizations will be submitted to the funding agencies.

Raising awareness on cyber safety and security among the stakeholders and organizing various events/seminars/workshops in collaboration with Cyber Swachhta Mission is another important objective of the MOU. Further, there would be Exchange of research documents/findings on a case to case basis and the scope of the cooperation includes joint conferences/ workshops/Seminars/expert lectures etc.

The MoU was exchanged in a state level function in the presence of Shri Banwarilal Purohit Hon'ble Governor of Punjab and administrator of UT Chandigarh, Advisor to the Hon'ble Governor, Home Secretary sir, DGP sir, an official from Ministry of home affairs was also present besides many more senior officials. The college also figured majorly in the event where our student gave a presentation on Cyber Swachhta mission of government of India, a report written by our Cyber interns and their coordinator was also released.

Pictures:











