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Centre for Women's Studies
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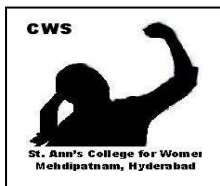
1. A talk on “Leadership and Motivation in Social Work Management” On 30th August 2018

Resource person: Ms. Jai Bharati, an architect and a woman biker. She believes where there is a will, there is a way and is the epitome of the expression. She is the winner of the GoUNESCO Challenge where she visited all the 28 UNESCO sites in India and is the Co-Founder of the Hyderabad Chapter of the Bikerni. She has raised funds and organised Hyderabad city tour for 40 orphan girls' schools and currently offers aid to 4 NGOs in Hyderabad. Among her many achievements is the Road to Mekong expedition to ASEAN nations, covering 17000 kms in 7 weeks to promote Incredible India.



In her presentation, she told us about 10 essential values in order to achieve your goals in life and become successful. She encouraged us to work hard to achieve our dreams. She described the various obstacles she tackled in her journey and gave us life changing lessons on importance of discipline and dedication to your dreams. “If there is a possibility, never look back and just go grab the chance”- she said while telling us how she managed to accomplish her dream.

According to Jai Bharati, it is important to have a passion and perseverance. One should be determined and dedicated towards their goal and always carry a disciplined attitude. Courage and commitment were required as strong foundations as she herself is a motivational speaker



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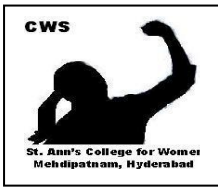


who has encouraged her audience to work hard and support their peers along their journey. She narrated several stories of her experiences during biking trips and we felt inspired and awestruck by every one of them.

As a fellow woman, she told us the importance to encourage other girls and spread positive enthusiasm so that we can work towards progress together. We need to find time for others and contribute to their success in order to progress as a whole. She described her experience teaching scooty riding to women from her locality. It requires a lot of patience and commitment from both the teacher and the learners. She received a lot of praise and encouragement from her family and friends which helped her follow her dreams.

She concluded the seminar with another video titled "Smiles", showing photographs of people she met along her journey to Mekong, which made us all smile. Ending with such contentment, she answered questions from the students and received several applauses from the audience. It was an enlightening and inspiring talk which concluded at a happy note as everyone was glad to have heard her life story.



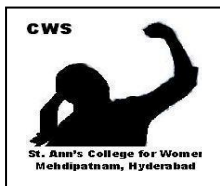


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2. Attended Two days Southern Regional Consultation on “Women Studies: Contemporary Relevance, Challenges and Future on 17th and 18th organized jointly by Regional Association for Women’s Studies & Indian Association for Women’s Studies at Arupadai Veedu Institute of Technology, Kancheepuram, Tamil Nadu.





3. Organized Dignity March' reaches Hyderabad on 5th Jan, 2019

Survivors of rape and sexual violence and families from various States participated in the march. The 'Dignity March', aimed at ending sexual violence against women and children, reached Hyderabad at St. Ann's College for Women on Saturday after covering Maharashtra, Karnataka, Kerala and Goa. Survivors of rape and sexual violence and families from various States participated in the march. The march, initiated by the Rashtriya Garima Abhiyan along with several like-minded organisations, is a 65-day national event that will see survivors and other stakeholders travel 10,000 kilometres in 200 districts of 24 States and union territories in India. It began from Mumbai and will culminate in Delhi in February.



4. Menstrual health awareness training programme on 11th Aug, 2018 Infosys Campus, Gachibowli, Hyd

Menstruation and menstrual practices are still clouded by Taboos and socio-cultural restrictions resulting in adolescent girls remaining ignorant of the scientific facts and hygienic health practices, which sometimes result into adverse health outcomes. 20 Students has attended the training on Menstruation Awareness Programme.

Objectives of the training

- (i) To elicit the beliefs, conception and source of information regarding menstruation
- (ii) To know the status of menstrual hygiene among adolescent girls.
- (iii) To train the students about Menstruation in other to teach in other schools and colleges

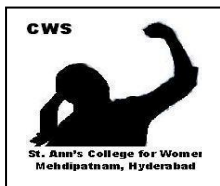


5. Two Days Human Rights Education Program

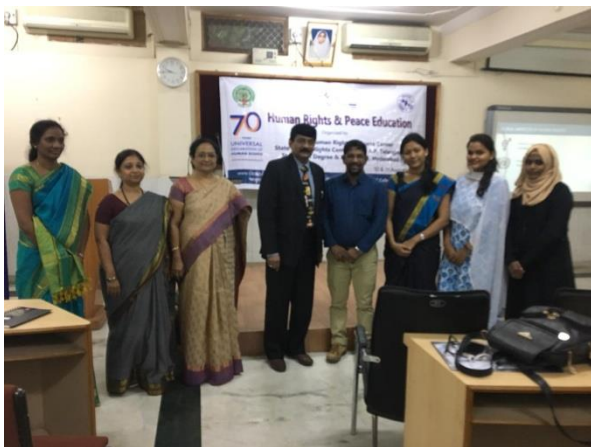
Five students along with faculty has attended two Days Human Rights Education Program organizes by IARF- Human Rights Resource Centre (HRRC), State Human Right Commission AP&Telangana along with St. Pious College

Selected students from Telangana State Human Rights Commission

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2. Sarah Fatima

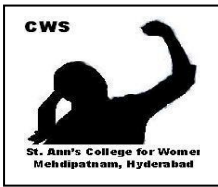


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6. Chiguru event on 16th Dec

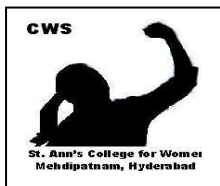
120 students have done volunteered in Chiguru event organized by Youth for Seva Hyderabad, an inter-school sporting, cultural and literary fest *Chiguru* (literally 'budding'), to showcase talents of under privileged kids from in and around Hyderabad.



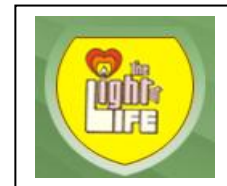
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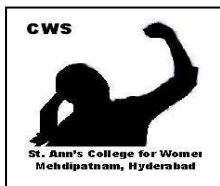


7. Advisory Committee meeting on 14th August 2018



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Composition of CWS Committee

1. Dr. [Rekha Pande](#),
Head Centre for Women's Studies & Professor,
Department of History
[University of Hyderabad](#)
2. **Ms. Popy Devi Nath**
Director, Centre for Women's Studies
St. Ann's College for Women
3. Ms. J. Soujanya
Lecturer, Dept of Commerce, St. Ann's College for Women
4. Mrs.Meeta Joshi, Head, Department of History, St. Ann's College for Women
5. Ms. Deveyani Dixit, Head, Department of French, St. Ann's College for Women

8. Competitions

Canvas Painting

Hand Painting

DIY Christmas decoration contest



9. The Annual Newsletter “Dhruti Scape”



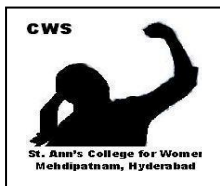
10. Knowledge café

A lot is happening around us and Centre for Women's Studies is initiating 'Knowledge Cafe' every Saturday where students can come together on a platform to discuss and share anything on social issues of relevance.

11. Field visit to Youth for Seva.

With an intention to make the awareness among the students about the importance of the nongovernmental organization in the society especially in India, the centre has taken the NGO Management students on 4th Oct 2018 to the prestigious non organization called Youth for Seva.

Students have reached the Youth for Seva at 1.20 P.M. The members of the YFS welcomed with us a warm smile and taken us to their conference room. Ms. Arunamayee, field officer of the Hyderabad branch asked the group about the aim of our field trip individually. The students gave self introduction and the motives behind their visit. The answers showed their sincerity as a student of NGO Management and their commitments toward the social issues. Ms. Arunamayee was impressed by the motives of the visit of our students to their Ngo



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and he started to talk about the different factors behind the high rates of Social issues in India. She talked about the importance of the NGO's and given basic knowledge about foundation of NGO. Her session continued through discussion methods that helped the students to share their ideas and kept them energetic throughout the session.

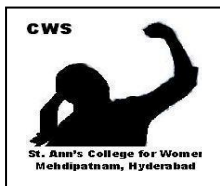
12. Good touch & Bad touch session to small kids.
13. Field visit to Hyderabad Council for Human Welfare.
14. Menstruation hygiene awareness program conducted in ZP high school, Patancheru by students along with Suvidha, Infosys.
15. Attended a interactive session with Mr. David Kennedy, Minister Counseloe for Public Affairs on 12th Dec
16. Attended Workshop on “Is This Story Share- Worthy? – Digital Citizenship 101: a media literacy programme” by Sarah Ziebell, Regional Public Engagement Specialist for South Asia.
17. Attended Youth Exchange Programme (YEP) organized by Young People for Life India
18. Organized one day workshop on Developing Social and Emotional Skills in Vidyaniketan Academy on 21st July.
19. Organized Menstruation Hygiene training programme in ZPH School Attapur by Volunteers of CWS along with Infosys volunteers



20. Two Days Human Rights Education Training Program

Organised by Centre for Women's Studies in collaboration with BIRDS – Human Rights Resource Centre, Bangalore on 15th and 16th February, 2019

The Human Rights Training program was held on 15th& 16th February, 2019 organized by Centre for Women's Studies in collaboration with BIRDS – Human Rights Resource at St.



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Ann's College for Women, Hyderabad. There were about 50 students from various departments and other colleges.

DAY 1:

INAUGURAL FUNCTION

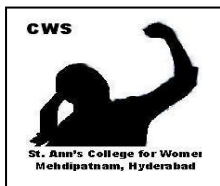
The two-day training program commenced with an inaugural function wherein **Ms. Popy Devi Nath**, Director, Center for Women Studies, welcomed the gathering. The briefing of the training was delivered by **Br. Albert Xaviour**, Director, BIRDS, Bangalore.

Rev. Sr. Dr. P Amrutha, Principal, St. Ann's College, Hyderabad, Inaugurated the training program. She reminded the students about the significance and worth of organizing such trainings with regard to the present scenario of the country.



TRAINING SESSIONS

The training sessions were conducted by **Br. Albert Xaviour**, Director, BIRDS, Bangalore. The first session was inclusive of self-introduction of the participants and their expectations from the program, formation of groups, followed by the history of IARF, HRRC and BIRDS. In the following session, a short video on the history of Human Rights was played which was followed by the explanation of the different kinds of Human Rights and the need for Human Rights Education. The explanation of the different rights was enhanced through various activities based on Human Rights.



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Further, presentation and group discussion on the UDHR articles was also held and all of the five groups had presented the articles allotted to them in a creative way. The participants were also assigned to present each article through a skits and role play.



DAY 2:

The second day's session started with the introduction and a brief discussion of POCSO Act, Conflict Resolution & Peace Building. This was followed by skit performances related to the UDHR articles where all the students took an active part.

The Statue Tableau game was introduced where the following UDHR Articles were enacted:

- 1) Article 18 (Freedom of Religion & Thought)
- 2) Article 5 (No Torture)
- 3) Article 25 (Food & Shelter)

A deep discussion about future activities which can be conducted in order to spread awareness on Human Rights in the states of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana was held in the afternoon. Thus with regard to this, **10 students were selected to form a team to support the Human Rights Resource Centre of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.**



Activities during the sessions

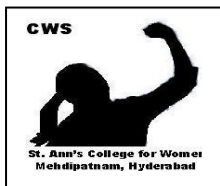
VALEDICTORY FUNCTION

Mrs. Mahitha Davala, Dean of Students' Affairs has delivered the valedictory speech and she has encouraged the students to put into practice what they learnt from the training program.

Finally, Brother Albert Xaviour and other faculty members distributed the certificates of the training program to the students.

OUTCOME

The two day training program saw a series of discussions on the current status of Human Rights in India and overseas. The training program also served as a platform for young minds to come together and put forward their views and ideas on the common topic.



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21. One-day National Conference on “Cyber Crime and Victimization of Women: Challenges and Legal Response” organised by Centre for Women’s Studies on 15th March, 2019, sponsored by National Commission For Women (NCW)

Venue- St. Joseph Auditorium,

St. Ann’s College for Women

Participants: 270 Students, Staff, NGO Workers

Centre for Women’s Studies – Dhruuti, St. Ann’s College for Women, Mehdiapatnam, Hyderabad organized one day National Conference on “Cyber Crime and Victimization of Women: Challenges and Legal Response” on 15th March, 2019. The conference was sponsored by the National Commission for Women, New Delhi.

The inaugural session of the conference began with a prayer song followed by ‘*Lighting of Lamp*’ by dignitaries of the conference.

- (i) Prof. AshaShukla, Vice-Chancellor–Dr. B.R.AmbedkarUniversity of Social Science, Madhya Pradesh;
- (ii) Prof. RekhaPande, Head – CWS, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad;
- (iii) Dr.SudeshnaMukerjee, Director – CWS, Bangalore University, Bangalore;
- (iv) Dr. Hiranmayee Mishra, Director – CWS, Udayanath Autonomous College of Science and Technology, Cuttack, Odisha;
- (v) Ms. K. Varalaxmi, Section Officer – Telangana State Commission for Women, Hyderabad;
- (vi) Smt. RajamGaneshan, Secretary – Consumer Care Centre, Hyderabad, Telangana;
- (vii) Dr. Sr. P. Amrutha, Principal, St. Ann’s College for Women;
- (viii) Dr Smita Asthana, Dean &IQAC Coordinator, St. Ann’s College for Women;
- (ix) Dr.Niramala Xavier, Dean, St. Ann’s College for Women;
- (x) Ms. MeenaPatangay, Dean, St. Ann’s College for Women;
- (xi) Ms. MahithaDavalala, Dean, St. Ann’s College for Women;
- (xii) Dr. K. Radhika, Dean, St. Ann’s College for Women; and
- (xiii) Ms. Popy Devi Nath, Director – CWS, St. Ann’s College for Women

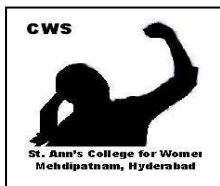


Inauguration and Lightening of Lamp

Dr. Sr. P. Amrutha, Principal of St. Ann's College for Women, Mehdiapatnam addressed the gathering highlighting the importance of the conference on "Cyber Crime and Victimization of Women: Challenges and Legal Response".



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Ms. Popy Devi Nath, Director – Centre for Women Studies presented the genesis of the conference.

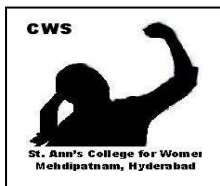


Ms. Popy Devi Nath, Director – Centre for Women Studies, St. Ann's College for Women

Prof. Asha Shukla, Vice-Chancellor of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University of Social Science, MP delivered the Presidential Address where she threw light on the causes for the rise for cyber-crimes on women and girls. The unrecorded crimes on women are on the rise.



Prof. Asha Shukla, Vice-Chancellor of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University of Social Science, MP



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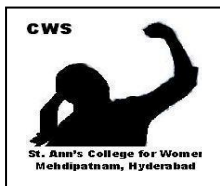
Guest of Honour, Prof. Rekha Pande, Head of Centre for Women's Studies, University of Hyderabad delivered the Keynote Address. She presented on the nature of crime from pre-historic age, agrarian, industrial and cyber-age in a chronological manner, and crimes perpetuated on victims through face book and misuse of technology. It further includes shaming a person, bullying, and crimes exclusively associated in I.T related jobs.



Prof. Rekha Pande, Head of Centre for Women's Studies, University of Hyderabad

Felicitation of Shreyasi Award

Shreyasi Award was felicitated to Smt. Rajam Ganeshan, Secretary, Consumer Care Centre, Hyderabad. Every year, Centre for Women's Studies appreciates women empowerment by felicitating dynamic women of India who have contributed to the society and to our nation. In this regard Smt. Rajam Ganeshan, Secretary of Consumer Care Centre has been nominated by our college authorities to receive the Shreyasi Award in acknowledgement of her exceptional calibre and outstanding people-centric initiatives.



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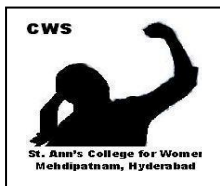
Technical Session

Dr. Sudeshna Mukherjee, Director of Centre for Women's Studies, Bangalore University has talked on the Positive and Negative Impact of Social Media on Women. Information technology helps in the liberation of women and their empowerment too. As an empowering tool, it promotes better interaction, sharing of information and acquisition of skills that are essential for every girl. Dr. Sudeshna Mukherjee delineated on popular perception and legal perception. The leading movements such as Hash Movement, Nirbhaya Movements and awareness on menstruation had witnessed a fair share of participation by women. The need to introduce gender identity as a curriculum in the schools was recommended.



Dr. Sudeshna Mukherjee, Director of Centre for Women's Studies, Bangalore University

Dr. M. N. Rajesh, Asst. Professor, Department of History, University of Hyderabad has delivered an effective lecture on the role of "New Technology and Crimes of the Future: Gender Prospective". Real life examples and case studies about the theme had a critical impact on the minds of the audience. The misuse of email account, hacking, human



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trafficking and even use of blogs, logos of famous firms and banks to misguide the general public, international ramifications on cyber-crimes and misuse of technology has been highlighted.

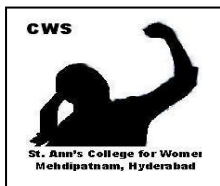


Dr. M. N. Rajesh, Asst. Professor, Department of History, University of Hyderabad

Panel Discussion

Panellists were: Prof. Hiranmayee Mishra, Dr. Sudeshna Mukharjee, Shri M. A Shakeel, and Smt. Shubhi Dwivedi.

Prof. Hiranmayee Mishra, CWS, Udayanath Autonomous College of Science and Technology, Cuttack made an opening remark on the transformation of the world where every user has to share information about UID, personal profiles, chatting with unknown people, information related to personal security such as passports information, and the use of smart phone, victimization of crime and dealing with the crimes. The role of the family, community, NGO's and peers in helping the victim plays a great role. The need to sensitize children is crucial. Before, some may end up as hawkers and stalkers while others are victimized. Lacunae in the existing Information Act – Cyber-crimes are not treated separately. A word of caution was made not to make personal, political or public.



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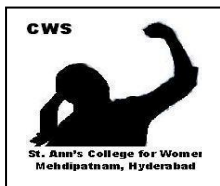


Prof. Hiranmayee Mishra, Director – CWS, Udayanath Autonomous College of Science and Technology, Cuttack

Mr. M. A. Shakeel, Lawyer described on the provisions related to technology as a boon or bane and the need to use it wisely. He further explained on legality of the crime, punishment, defining the terms and elaboration on various Sections. For example: Section 66 A, Section 66C, Section 66 D, Section 66 F, and Section 67 A. Punishments, penalty, trappings, obscene material, sexual explicitly, offence, perpetrator, violation, evidence of crime role of cyber cell are highlighted. Identification of various crimes, variation in the punishment, and penalty amount etc. were discussed.



Mr. M. A. Shakeel, Lawyer



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Ms. Shubhi Dwivedi, Director, Programs, Rubaroo was the moderator for panel discussion. Moderator posed a query to the participants regarding the legal basis for the use making accounts in facebook, instagram , and the use of various apps.

Dr. Sudeshna Mukarjee described the position of women in the cage, which was inspired by Dr. Ruqquia Hussain, an educationist and novelist. Silence of good, cyber-security and its discrepancy were focused. The need to regulate the rules and regulations of cyber-technology, informed choices consciously, role of peers, malicious message, and judicious use of social media, and making use of technology for development were also included.

A short film screening made by students of St. Francis College for Women delivered a message on the role of cyber-crimes among the youth.

VALEDICTORY SESSION

Valedictory speech was delivered by Prof. Hiranmayee Mishra, where she stressed on the nuances of cyber-crimes and making the child aware about the trappings. Winning of trust of adolescent girls getting bullied, hacking can be prevented by equipping them in self-defence training program, personality building, offline register of crimes, E-FIR were suggested.

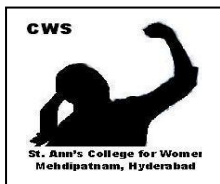
Prof. Hiranmayee Mishra gave away prizes and certificates to the winners of Poster Presentation & Short Film contest.

Ms. Popy Nath Devi, Director of Centre for Women's Studies presented vote of thanks. She thanked the delegates for making the conference a huge successes and enlightening the participants on the use of cyber space more safely and with security.

The programme was concluded with National Anthem.



Participants of the Conference



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CWS offers the following courses

Teaching faculty: Ms. Popy Devi Nath

Courses:

1. COC on Women's Studies
2. AECC ON Gender Sensitization
3. CCA on NGO Management

Grant received from National Commission for Women, New Delhi

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