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ANNUAL REPORT OF WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CELL (WDC) 2022-23



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Introduction:

Women empowerment and gender equality are the most important requirements for the upliftment and progress of our nation. In our effort to make Institute of Science, Nagpur a kernel of gender sensitization, Women's Development Cell (WDC) was established with certain objectives. The cell has both the faculty and students (including girls and boys) of the institute as its members and works to stress upon the development of women in every sphere.

Objectives of formation of Women's Development Cell

- 1. To promote general wellbeing of female students teaching and non-teaching women staff of the college.
- 2. The cell is also responsible to undertake the awareness programmes on gender sensitization, women rights and women empowerment in university campuses and colleges.
- 3. To create and develop a congenial environment for women employees (including teaching, support staff, and contractual as well as daily wages employees) and students (rural, urban, specially-abled, underprivileged, marginalized), allowing them to reach their full potential.
- 4. To sensitize the students towards the special needs of all genders.
- 5. To develop equitable opportunities for the educational avenues for women.
- 6. To build a gender sensitive and inclusive campus.
- 7. To address concerns of gender discrimination and recommend measures and policies for gender parity.
- 8. To undertake surveys or action research projects, if necessary, pertaining to women (rural, urban, specially-abled, underprivileged, marginalised) in the society.
- 9. WDC will continue to strive in creating equitable opportunities to empower women to attain their full potential, enriching organizational and social life in the process which has mutual benefits to the genders and society.
- 10. The Cell has both the faculty and students of the College as its members and works with an aim to create a gender sensitized community within campus as well as in the society.
- 11. It has to organize varied academic, technical, medical, cultural and social events for the upliftmen of women and spread the real importance of gender equality in the society through College students.

Under the Banner of WDC following Programs were Organized by the Committee

Session: 2022-23

Inaugural Ceremony of Women Development Cell - 23rd Sept. 2022

The formal inauguration of Women Development Cell for the session 2022-23 and one day workshop was organized on 23rd September 2022 by Dr. Madhuri Gawande (Gynecologist, Nagpur).

Inauguration ceremony started with the lightening of lamp by the chief guest and Director, Institute of Science, Nagpur Dr. Anjali Rahatgaonkar which marked the official commencement of Women Development Cell 2022-23 after the chief guest revealed the names of committee members. The introductory remark was presented by the program in-charge Dr. Naqui Jahan Siddiqui followed by the annual report 2021-22 read by Ms. Jahnavi Sinha.

To move towards progress it is very important for the head of the institution to interact with the roots of the organization and appreciate them with encouraging words for their hard work. Director of Institute of Science, Dr. Anjali Rahatgaonkar in her presidential address encouraged the students for their efforts to organize the program, appreciated their enthusiasm to work in the committee and guided them for the further activities. The inauguration was followed by a formal vote of thanks by Ms. Monali Batki. She thanked the Chief Guest, staff and members of WDC to spare their precious time and guide the students from their knowledge and experience. Near about hundred students and staff members attended in the program.













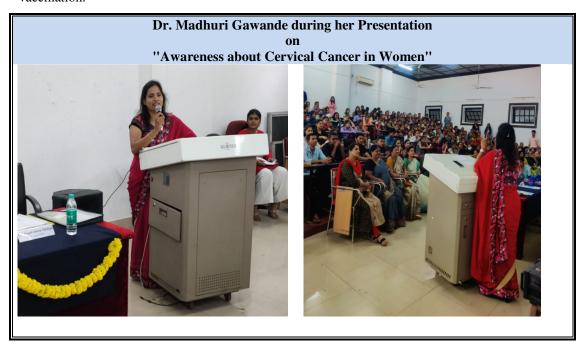


One Day Workshop - 23rd September, 2022 On

"Health Safety and Personality Development of Women"

1. Lecture on "Awareness about Cervical Cancer in Women" by Dr. Madhuri Gawande (Gynecologist)

One day workshop on "Health Safety and Personality Development of Women" started with the first Lecture of the workshop on "Awareness about Cervical Cancer in Women" by Dr. Madhuri Gawande, a leading and popular Obstetrics and Gynecologist in Nagpur having over twenty years of experience. In her power point presentation she highlighted the reasons and causes of cervical cancer, malign tumor of the cervix the lower most part of the uterus. She enlightened the students with the term PAP test for pre cancer cell changes on the cervix that might become cervical cancer if are not treated appropriately. She focused that most cervical cancers are associated with human Papilloma virus (HPV), a sexually transmitted infection therefore widespread immunization with the HPV vaccine could reduce the impact of cervical cancer and other cancers caused by HPV worldwide. She also informed about the HPV vaccination and recommended girls to go for it at the age of 11–12 years of age or even from 9 years of age as well. All preteens need HPV vaccination, so they are protected from HPV infections that can cause cancer later in life. Teens and young adults through age 26 years can also go for the HPV vaccination.









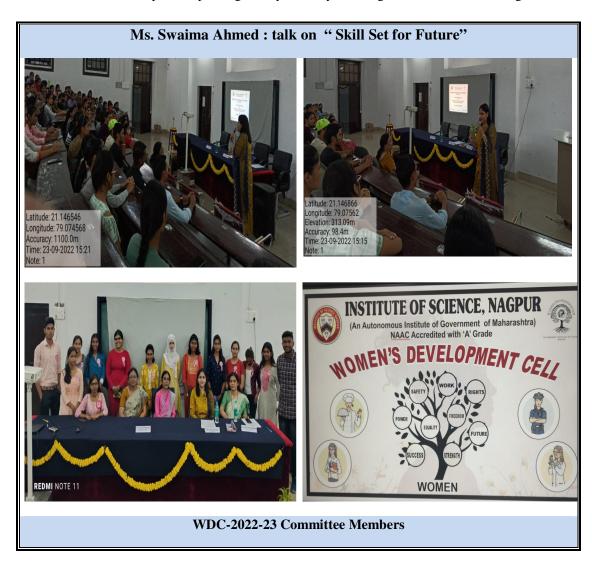
2. Lecture on "Self Defence of Women" by Mrs. Vijaya Wanjari (API)

The day continued with the Second Lecture on "Self Defence of Women" by Mrs. Vijaya Wanjari, API, Sitabuldi Police Station, Nagpur. This was a one to one interactive session as they guided the students on how to report if they suffer from any type of crime against them including cybercrime and how they can overcome them by giving many tips of self defence with examples. Her lecture showed that self defence is not all about preparing ourselves to counter physical abuse but also how to protect ourselves from the entire cyber and technology screen we are surrounded with. It emphasized "Har Screen can be a Crime Screen".



3. Lecture on "Skill Set for Future" by Ms. Swaima Ahmed

The workshop ended with a phenomenal third lecture on "Skill Set for Future" by Ms. Swaima Ahmed, a TEDEX speaker and Founder, Director of Finesse Academy & Trainings and Co-Founder of Footprints Events Pvt. Ltd. She emphasized students about the significance of communication skills, social skills, leadership skills and programmatic approach. In today's creative world soft skills are too important along with hard skills. She said that communication skills when applied properly can help to propel your career in any direction you want. Effective communication in compasses Speaking clearly, actively listening, observation and writing.



Guest Lecture on "Empowerment of Women" by Dr. Prabodh Yelne 10th February, 2023

Women Development Cell in collaboration with National Service Scheme of Institute of Science, Nagpur had organized a lecture for empowering women and promoting gender equality through the rural areas during its Special camp "NISARGVEDH" on 10th February, 2023 with the aim to guide and motivate the ladies of the village Wakeshwar, Dongargaon, Nagpur and girl students of this institute. The program was organized in Rabrindranath Tagore College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Dongargaon. The chief guest for this event was Dr. Prabodh Yelne. The distinguished chief guest was welcomed by Dr. Sujata Deo, the HOD of chemistry department. This warm welcome was graced by the presence of Dr. Naqui Siddiqui, WDC teacher in-charge, Dr. Yemul, the NSS programme officer, Dr. Seema Bodhke, WDC and NSS teacher in-charge and Dr. Nandagavli, the NSS teacher in-charge.

The primary objectives of the WDC and NSS collaboration are to promote gender equality, to create awareness about women's issues, to provide a safe and supportive environment for women, and to encourage their active participation in all aspects of society. The programs were conducted in the form of workshops, seminars, and lectures, which were well-attended and received positive feedback from the participants.





This event was an interactive session, beginning from the motivational words of Dr. Prabodh Yelne to its enthusiastic come back from the audience. The listeners comprised not just of the students but also the Dongargaon village's women and children. The speaker encouraged us to question things and to discover reasons for those queries. Dr. Yelne narrated a fraction of stories from his personal life and how he chose to follow his intuition and overcame the hurdles of life, like arrogance which is a possible factor for the downfall of a being. Him using a correlation between Indian mythology and real life, made his words interesting to hear and easy to grasp. He left an indelible mark on the minds of us all. The occasion was anchored and ended with a vote of thanks by Ms. Monali Batki, the president of WDC followed by a round of applause from everyone present at the moment.

Celebration of International Women's Day: 2023 -10th March, 2023

1. Guest Lecture on "Laws against Domestic Violence"&" Mental health of Women" by Mrs. Priya Zoting, Advocate, Nagpur

No relation is complete without women in this world. She plays the role of a "loving mom "..a "caring sister" an " understanding wife" and a "lovable daughter" .You have everything in you and that's the reason why the world is celebrating you. Women's development cell never steps back to organise something which can provide new set of information to the students of Institute of Science . On the occasion of Women's Day-2023 WDC organized a lecture by the Chief Guest Mrs. Priya Zoting on "Laws against Domestic Violence" &" Mental health of Women". Event started with lightning of lamp by our chief guest. She was felicitated by Dr.C.M. Dudhe, President of the program. Mr. Sushant Rathod, Coordinator of WDC explained the theme of International Women's Day-2023 "Innovation and Technology on Gender Equality". Mr. Tejas Dharmale introduced Mrs. Priya Zoting and the program was anchored by Ms. Monali Batki.

She started her lecture with why there was the need to make Domestic Violence Act which came in action after 2005. It was an interactive session. She emphasized both on mental and emotional health. She focused on things which give the students comfort, distraction from the outer world to calm their mind and heart. Before concluding she answered many questions from the audience and thus ended her remarkable session.













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Chief Guest: Mrs. Priya Zoting

LLB, MA, MS., D.S.C., P.G.D.C.C.

Lecture on
"Laws against Domestic Violence"
& "Mental Health of Woman"

Workshop On "Self Defence"

ALSO ORGANISING

Poster Competition Poetry Cor
Topic for both Competitions
Gender Equality
Date: 10th March Time: 2 pm
Venue: Room no. 45

Dr. Anjali M. Rahatgaonkar Director, Institute of Science, Nagpur.

Dr. Naqui J. Siddiqui WDC Incharge

Dr. Sushama Borkar Dr. Seema Bodhke WDC Members

Ms. Monali Batki WDC President



2. Poster and Poetry Competition for Students - 10th March, 2023

On the occasion of International Women's Day, WDC had organized **Poster and Poetry Competition** for the students on the topic "**Gender Equality**" inspired by the theme of International Women's Day 2023 " Innovation and technology on gender equality". The winners of these two were appreciated and rewarded by our guest of honor.

Among all the participants the **Ms. Aditi Thaware**, bagged the 1st prize in poetry competition. Her poem has described the imagination and dreams woven by a pregnant woman that how her daughter will be loved, cared nourished by her grandmother, grandfather and the lovely bond she will share with each person. **Mr. Abhay Kayarkar** won the 2nd Prize. He, through his words actually justified the topic that was gender equality by including the feelings of a transgender, an important part of our society. Poster displays no. of thoughts which can be difficult to describe in words. One can't describe what a person holds in his mind until he/she expresses their thoughts. Among all the artists of IOS, 1st prize was given to **Ms. Yashahwi Urkude** and 2nd prize to **Ms. Akshika Bagde**.



With this program the committee of WDC 2022-23 was dissolved, but all the members will always be there to help and guide the future team to vocalize the issues and thoughts of women's of IOS.



Dr. Naqui Jahan Siddiqui In-charge WDC - 2022-23