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### **Report for the Academic Year 2024-25**

#### **Membership Drive:**

Membership to the Women Empowerment Cell was made open through the circulation of a google form on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024. On request of students, the Google form was circulated again on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024 opening membership for the three-year course and first year BALLB students. For this academic year, there are a total of 63 students who have enrolled as members of the Women Empowerment Cell.

#### **Activities Undertaken: 09**

##### **1. Awareness Programme on “Functioning of Goa State Commission for Women and Cyber Safety**

It was held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024. The Goa State Commission for Women (GSCW) in collaboration with the Cyber Wellness Centre conducted a programme on the “Functioning of Goa State Commission for Women and Cyber Safety”, in the college. The Women Empowerment Cell members were involved in coordinating and in the logistics of the programme.

The speaker Smt. Ranjita Pai, Chairperson of the Commission spoke about the functioning of Goa State Commission for Women, the activities it undertakes and programs performed by the GSCW. Later, the resource person for the function Mr. Arun James, Centre in charge of Cyber Wellness Goa, delivered a talk on cyber safety. He discussed the recent Cybercrimes happening across the globe and put forth precautions which we need to take when using internet on various social media platforms. The programme concluded by presenting memento to the resource persons and vote of thanks.



## 2.Awareness Talk on Anti -Human Trafficking to commemorate World Anti Human Trafficking Day

A programme creating awareness on Anti-Human Trafficking was held on 30th July 2024. The Goa Police (Women Police Station, Panaji) in collaboration with the NGO SCAN and W.E.C. conducted this programme in our college. WEC was involved in coordinating and in the logistics of the programme. WEC members did a skit to create awareness about the subtle existence of human trafficking.

The resource person for the event were Smt. Enakshi Ganguly, a prominent advocate and an expert in child rights and Adv. Emidio Pinho, Coordinator, Victim Assistance Unit for the state of Goa and Sakhi – One stop Center, North Goa. Police Inspector Ms. Reema Naik , women police station Panaji was also one of the dignitaries present at the event along with other members of women police station. The resource persons discussed about the concept of human trafficking, its meaning, instances and also brought before the audience some real-life human trafficking cases handled by the NGO and victim rescue unit. It was a very interactive session The members of Women Empowerment Cell performed a short beautiful Skit on Anti Human trafficking which was greatly appreciated by the audience.





### **3. World Breast-feeding Awareness Week Programme**

A week full of celebrations was organized by the Women Empowerment cell of V.M Salgaocar college of Law Miramar from 1 Aug to 7 Aug 2024 Breaking the stereotypes and raising awareness on Breastfeeding. Some of the highlights were Poster Making competition: Where students came together and showcased their creativity while also raising awareness. Online Slogan writing competition compelled the students to think out of the box. Monologue competition: Which even put the judges in awe at how good Actors our future lawyers were going to be. Next was Poetry Writing competition: This was not your ordinary poetry competition it came with its own twists making the students scuffle in their shoes. A picture was shown on the spot and the poets had to write down their creations by getting inspired from the given picture.

On day 6 a talk was arranged by the faculty. Dr Sophia Rodrigues a consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist, was the resource person who conducted an engaging session bursting many myths and stigmas related to breastfeeding. Some Do's & Don'ts during breastfeeding and also educating students about the wonderful golden liquid. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the session.

On the last day a quiz was arranged for the members of Women Empowerment Cell And winners were felicitated with certificates and prizes. There was also an award ceremony arranged after the Quiz competition. All of the winners along with participants were awarded and everyone returned with content in their heart and faces full of smiles.

And that concluded a week filled with fun, learning, and wonderful memories. Students participated in good number in all the activities conducted during the entire week. The Breast Feeding Awareness Week culminated with the Valedictory programme. The faculty members In-charge of The Women Empowerment Cell Dr. Kim Couto and Asst. Prof Ruchira Naik gave away the prizes for the best entries in each of the competitions.





### Poster making competition



### Poetry writing competition



### Awareness talk on Breastfeeding - A Child's Birth Right



## Monologue Competition





**Quiz Competition (online)**



**Valedictory Function**

