Anti Drug Day- June 26, 2018

REPORT

The Anti drug cell and Department of Psychology, MES College Marampally, Field Outreach Bureau, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and Narcotic Control Bureau together organized a half day program in the BCA Seminar Hall on 26th June 2018 on the occasion of Anti drug day. This day is observed worldwide by WHO as "International day against drug abuse and illicit trafficking". Dr A Biju, Principal, MES College, Marampally presided the program. Dr. Manzur Ali, IQAC Coordinator, and Dr. K E Leelamma, College Counselors, MES College, Marampally addressed the gathering.

Fr. Dr. Jacob Mannarprayil, President, Kerala State, Madhyanirodana Samithy, Vice-President of Santhi Smrithi and Gandhi Peace Foundation inaugurated the activities of anti drug cell for this academic year as well as inaugurated the program of Anti drug day, 2018. He is one of the eminent persons who had work with alcoholics and their families for more than 4 decade. Inaugural address delivered was very informative. Addictive behavior specific to Kerala context was discussed. He also made the students aware that each person involving in such addictive behavior is responsible for himself or herself regarding its consequence. He also made them feel that it is high time that youth of Kerala need to respond and react to such social evils.

Intelligence officer, Kumar Manohar Manjul, from Narcotic Control Bureau addressed the students. He gave a quick but very informative class on different drugs, its use and misuse. He gave a list of contact numbers to the students so that students can inform authorities, if they find trafficking of drugs and sale counters of the same to NCB.

Mr Abdul Jabbar and Mr. Babu who are active participants in Al Anon spoke about their experiences. They spoke about how they ended up in alcohol abuse and how their life was. After abstinence of 13-15 years now, how their life has changed & what all for which they are regretting now. This session was really touching to all the students who were actively listening.

Faculty member of English department T Sanjayan read out the pledge. All students and teachers present in the hall took the pledge that we will not use and promote the use of alcohol and drugs with our knowledge in our family and among friends.

Prizes for the poster competition were given to the students. 1st prize was bagged by Jomon Thomas of S3 B Voc Animation and graphic designing, 2nd prize was for Rizla Sabini, S3 Psychology and third prize was for Sreechitra Narayanan of S5 B Com, CA.

Mr. L.C Ponnumon, Field Exhibition Officer, Field Outreach Bureau, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India addressed the students and also delivered Vote of thanks. In his address he asked our students to channelize their excess energy in a constructive way by actively helping their peer members to overcome such habits if any.

Members of the anti drug cell Mrs. Rahmath MK, Department of Commerce, Mr. Francis Xavier TS, B.Voc Department with Dr. Susan Varghese, Glarmina P and Dr. Meghna N of Department of Psychology & Bino Mathew Paul actively participated in organizing the program.

List of participants:

Students from different departments: 110

Teaching and non teaching staff : 8

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