WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CELL 2023-24

Women Development Cell, YIMS started with the aim of empowering and orienting women to recognize their true potential and to help them attain their own stand in competing world. It seeks to empower young women to attain emotional, physical and mental freedom to with stand the changing phases throughout their life, Women empowerment in all spheres of all life enabling them to become agents of social and economic change and inculcating ethical values for the betterment of self, family and society. Our vision is the assurance of justice and equity in society to women by extending academic, financial, emotional and moral support. Our mission is to train students to achieve a wide range of skills and knowledge and also to develop and increase their social, economic and intellectual capacities.

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VISION: Training women to achieve a wide range of skills and knowledge. Also for developing and increasing their social, economic and intellectual capacities. To identify and promote the strong leadership and growth of women as individuals in their own right

The principal constituted a woman development cell comprising the following members for women development cell activities at YIMS for the academic year 2022-23

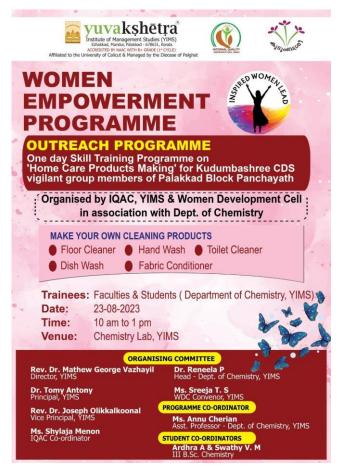
- 1. Ms. Sreeja T S (Convenor), Assistant Professor, Dept of Mathematics
- 2. Ms Rajitha Rajendran, Assistant Professor, Dept of Commerce
- 3. Ms Asha Krishnan, Assistant Professor, Dept of Hotel Management
- 4. Ms Remya R, Assistant Professor, Dept of Physics
- 5. Ms Akhila P, Assistant Professor, Dept of Commerce
- 6 Ms Anjana Balachandran (Student Representative, II MCom)
- 7 Ms Malavika Nethiar P K (Student Representative, II MA English)

WDC ACTIVITIES 2023-24

1.Skill training programme on 'HOME CARE PRODUCTS MAKING' Phase I

Department of Chemistry

The "Home Care Products Making" skill training program aimed to empower women, specifically Kudumbashree CDS Vigilant group members of Palakkad Block Panchayath, by teaching them to create various cleaning products, thereby enhancing their skills for self-reliance. As a result, 15 participants gained practical knowledge, boosting their self-sufficiency and their ability to contribute to their households and communities. Feedback indicated high satisfaction, with 91.30% rating the clarity of instructions as excellent, 99% feeling supported by instructors, and 90% confident in replicating the products at home. Additionally, 98% of participants would recommend similar programs.







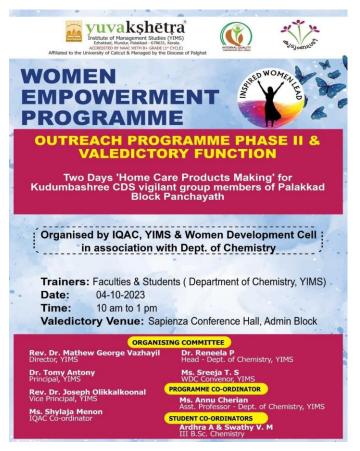
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2 Skill training programme on 'HOME CARE PRODUCTS MAKING' Phase II

Date: 4-10-2023

Department of Chemistry

The skill training program on "Home Care Products Making" was conducted with 22 participants and led by Prof. Mercy Leena Paul, Assistant Professor at YIMS. The program aimed to empower the Kudumbashree CDS Vigilant group members of Palakkad Block Panchayath by teaching them to create various cleaning products, enhancing their skills for self-reliance. As a result, 15 participants gained practical knowledge, improving their self-sufficiency and ability to contribute to their households and communities effectively. Participants provided highly positive feedback, with 91.30% rating the clarity of instructions as excellent, 99% feeling supported by instructors, and 90% confident in replicating the products at home. Additionally, 98% would recommend similar programs, reflecting strong satisfaction.





3.BREAST CANCER AWARENESS PROGRAMME

Women Cell in Association with IQAC and Thankam Hospital of PMRC, Palakkad

The Women Cell, in association with IQAC and Thankam Hospital of PMRC, Palakkad, organized a seminar titled "Breast Cancer Awareness Programme" for 80 student participants. The session was led by Dr. (Maj. Gen. Retd.) P. Subhas, Dr. Ponraj, and Mr. Muhammed Kassim from Thangam Hospital, Palakkad. The purpose of the seminar was to educate students about the symptoms of breast cancer, with a focus on prevention and early detection. The session was highly effective, with the medical aspects explained using various examples, making it a valuable experience for the students. Feedback indicated that the majority of students found the session effective and were satisfied with the information provided.







Date: 06-10-2023

Department: PG Department of Commerce Section B Com CA

The Section B Com CA, in association with the Women Development Cell, organized a seminar on "Gender Equality" with 100 student participants. The seminar was conducted by Ms. Anusha Vijayan and Ms. Ushakumari, counselors from Snehitha Gender Helpdesk, Palakkad. The purpose of the seminar was to provide an understanding of the role of education in promoting gender equality. The session covered topics including the difference between sex and gender, the importance of raising awareness among youth, women's participation in various economic sectors, and the challenges faced by women in these sectors.

Date:16-10-23





5. SESSION ON DIGNITY IN MENTAL HEALTH

Department: PG Department of Commerce (Finance Section)

The PG Department of Commerce (Finance Section) organized a one-day session titled "Dignity in Mental Health" for 57 student participants, led by Ms. Sowmya J, a psychologist and trained counselor from ICAS LIRA. The event was held to celebrate World Mental Health Day and aimed to raise awareness about mental well-being, provide mental support, and share stress management tips. The session covered important topics such as identifying and managing stress, time management, and the significance of both mental and physical health. Feedback indicated that the session was interactive and informative, with 82.5% of participants agreeing or strongly agreeing that it was beneficial. Only 2.5% disagreed, showing a positive response overall.





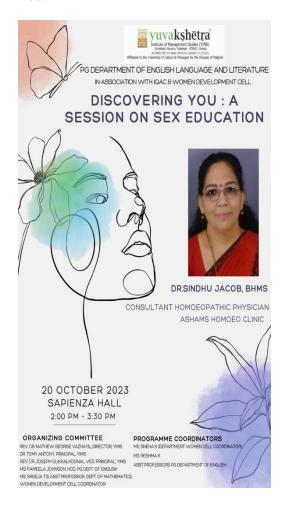
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6.DISCOVERING YOU: A SESSION ON SEX EDUCATION Date: 20/10/2023

Department: PG Department of English and Languages

The PG Department of English and Languages conducted an awareness session titled "Discovering You: A Session on Sex Education" for 50 student participants. The session was led by Dr. Sindhu Jacob, Consultant Homeopathic Physician at Ashams Homoeo Clinic. The purpose was to provide students with essential sex education to empower them regarding sexual health. The session covered reproductive anatomy, the importance of reproductive health for individuals and communities, and highlighted the significance of consent, communication, and respect to promote healthier relationships. Student feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with participants gaining a better understanding of the body and the importance of leading responsible lives.







7.SEMINAR: GENDER EQUITY IN RELATIONSHIP Date: 23-11-2023

Department: Computer Science

Mrs. Baby A, Counseling Psychologist from Palakkad, conducted a session on gender equity for 112 participants, aiming to inspire reflection on societal norms and encourage the development of respectful, balanced relationships. The session emphasized the distinction between equality and equity within relationships, highlighting the importance of mutual respect, open communication, and affection. Participants were also encouraged to enhance their skills for personal and professional growth, contributing positively to family dynamics and society. Feedback from the session was overwhelmingly positive, with 88% rating it as "Excellent," 10% as "Very Good," and 2% as "Good."



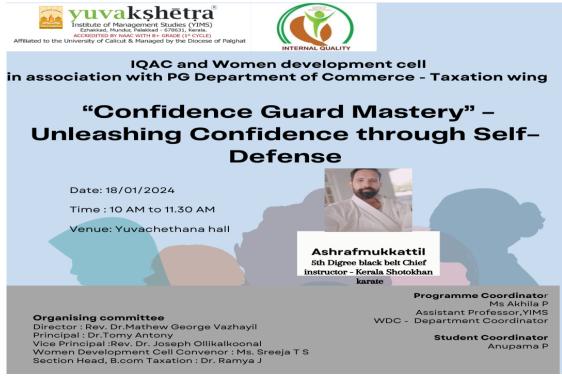




8."CONFIDENCE GUARD MASTERY" – UNLEASHING CONFIDENCE THROUGH SELF-DEFENCE

Department: PG Department of Commerce (Bcom Taxation) Date: 18-01-2024

Mr. Ashrafmukkattil, 5th Degree Black Belt and Chief Instructor in Kerala Shotokhan Karate, conducted a self-defense session for 90 college students aimed at empowering them with practical skills to protect themselves, promoting personal safety awareness, and fostering confidence. The session enhanced students' ability to assess and mitigate risks while instilling a greater sense of empowerment and preparedness within the college community. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with 90% of participants rating the techniques as "Very Effective," 6% as "Effective," and 4% as "Neutral," reflecting the program's success in achieving its objectives.







9.A SESSION ON 'PSYCHO ONCOLOGY-HUMAN SIDE OF CANCER' Department: PG Department of Psychology Date: 08-02-2024

The seminar titled "Psycho Oncology-Human Side of Cancer" was conducted by the PG Department of Psychology, in association with IQAC and the Women Development Cell, featuring Ms. Maria Vinu, a Ph.D. scholar at Vellore Institute of Technology, as the resource person. With 140 student participants, the session aimed to introduce students to the field of psycho-oncology and explore the psychological impacts of cancer on patients and their families. Ms. Vinu shared her journey in psycho-oncology, engaging the students who showed great interest and interacted with her throughout the session. The outcome highlighted psycho-oncology as a burgeoning area within psychology, focusing on the psychological responses to cancer and the behavioural aspects of coping, as well as health behaviour changes and social factors related to diagnosis and treatment. Many students expressed a keen interest in the field, asking questions about career opportunities and pathways into psycho-oncology.







Three student participants attended a state-level workshop titled "Fostering Justice: Insights into Women's Rights" conducted by Ms. Cicy Joseph, HOD, Kerala Police Academy, Thrissur at Nehru Academy of Law which aimed to deepen their understanding of women's rights, legal frameworks, and intersectionality, empowering them to advocate for gender equality and challenge discrimination. The outcome of the session included heightened awareness of women's rights and a commitment to promoting social justice within their communities. Students expressed enthusiasm for advocacy and activism, citing newfound empowerment to challenge gender inequalities and foster a culture of activism.







Who has actively participated in State Level Workshop on Women's Day on the theme "Fostering Justice insights into Women rights" held on 12th March 2024 at Nehru Academy of Law.







Date: 12-02-2024

11.INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY CELEBRATIONS MARCH 2024-Competitions such as poster making, mehndi designing, letter writing

The International Women's Day celebrations 2024 saw 62 participants take part in various competitions aimed at empowering women by providing platforms to showcase their talents, skills, and capabilities in fields such as arts and academics. The event resulted in skill enhancement, increased awareness of key issues affecting women, boosted confidence, self-efficacy, and self-esteem among the participants, and offered opportunities for networking. The program successfully created a space for participants to display their abilities. Feedback was highly positive, with 50 participants rating the event as "Excellent," 10 as "Very Good," 1 as "Good," and 1 as "Satisfactory."





12.CAPACITY BUILDING INITIATIVE - MENSTRUAL HYGIENE

Department: PG Department of Commerce (Finance Section)

The PG Department of Commerce (Finance Section), in association with IQAC and the Women Development Cell, organized a capacity-building initiative on "Menstrual Hygiene" with 109 students participating. The session was led by Ms. Sowmya J, a psychologist and trained counselor, who provided insights into the importance of menstrual hygiene for health, dignity, and empowerment. The session emphasized the role of proper hygiene practices in preventing infections, the use of appropriate menstrual products, and the benefits of eco-friendly options like reusable pads and menstrual cups. Participants left with improved self-esteem, confidence, and a deeper understanding of the importance of menstrual hygiene for fostering gender equality and social inclusion.

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FINANCE SECTION



STUDENTS

4th March 2024

1:30PM-3:30PM

SAPIENZA HALL

r. Tomy Antony Principal, YIMS

Ms.Shylaja Menon IQAC Co-Ordinator

Ms.Sreeja T.S WDC Convenor, YIMS

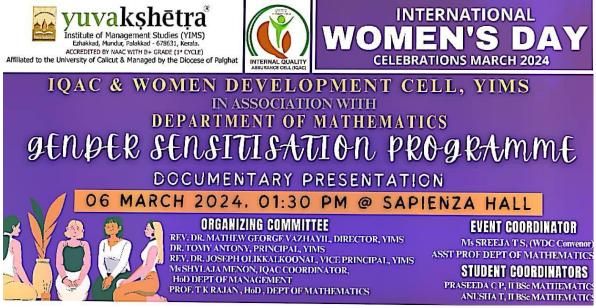
HOD, PG Dept Of Commerce





13.DOCUMENTARY PRESENTATION-GENDER SENSITISATION PROGRAMME Department: Mathematics Date: 07-03-2023

A program with 102 student participants was conducted with the aim of fostering overall development in both girls and boys, promoting equality, and encouraging students to reflect on their personal attitudes and beliefs. The session helped students build strength, confidence, and leadership qualities. Feedback from 68 respondents showed that 54% rated the overall performance as "Good," and 80% rated the effectiveness of the documentary shown during the Women's Day celebration as "Good." The program successfully contributed to the personal growth of the participants and their understanding of societal equality.



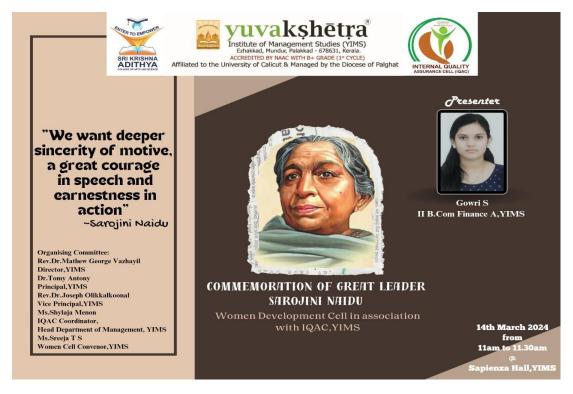




14.COMMEMORATION OF GREAT LEADER SAROJINI NAIDU

Department: PG Department of Commerce

A program with 21 student participants, presented by Gowri S from II B.Com Finance A, YIMS, was organized to honour Sarojini Naidu and her remarkable leadership and legacy, aiming to inspire future generations. The event highlighted Naidu's contributions to literature, politics, and women's rights, while promoting her values of equality, social justice, and empowerment today. The outcome included increased awareness and appreciation of Naidu's impact, sparking discussions on relevant issues, and supporting ongoing initiatives by the Women Development Cell to promote gender equality. Students expressed satisfaction, finding the program meaningful and memorable.





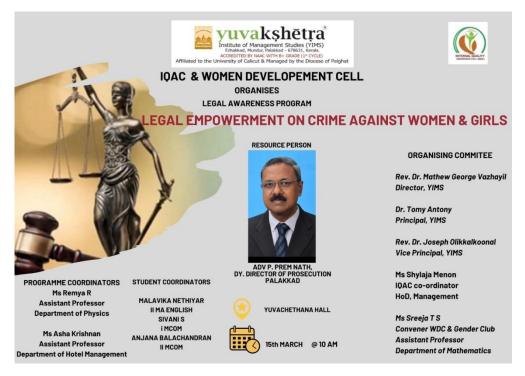


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15.LEGAL EMPOWERMENT ON CRIME AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS Date: 15-03-2024

Department: Women Development Cell in Association with IQAC

The event titled "Legal Empowerment on Crime Against Women and Girls" had 193 student participants and featured Adv. P. Premnath, Deputy Director of Prosecution, Palakkad, as the resource person. The session aimed to raise awareness about legal formalities related to crimes against women and educate students on safety measures in society. It was highly effective, with the legal aspects clearly explained through various examples, making it a useful and insightful experience for students. Feedback indicated that most participants found the session both effective and satisfying.







16.SHAKTHI EMPOWERING WOMEN - SELF DEFENSE PROGRAMME Department: Women Development Cell & IQAC Date: 25-03-2024

The self-defense program titled "Shakthi Empowering Women" was conducted with 84 student participants, featuring resource persons Arumukhan V, ASI of Police Janamaithri, Sarala K, ASI Hemambika Nagar PS, and Ushas R, CPO Chittur PS. The primary goals were to increase awareness of surroundings, prepare girls for unexpected situations, and build confidence to handle aggressive behavior effectively. Participants learned about various forms of violence that women may encounter, including in their homes, and received practical self-protection tips on avoiding and defending against such threats. Feedback from the program was overwhelmingly positive, with 73% of attendees rating it as "Excellent," 19% as "Very Good," and 8% as "Good," while no participants rated it as satisfactory or average.





