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From the Editor.....

“It doesn't matter who you are, or where you came from. The ability to triumph begins with you- always.”
- Oprah Winfrey

Reaching out to empower women, facilitating programs to open doors of opportunities to discover the feminine power and providing platforms to know women's rights is the focus of **Women's Studies Centre, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli**. It is with great enthusiasm the WSC brings out the newsletter to chronicle the academic activities of the Centre that grows with new ideas and constructive energy. I convey my sincere gratitude to the think-tank of WSC which includes the Management, Principal, Staff, Team leaders and members of the task force Committees for their creative support. The milestones of this year include the introduction of the Certificate Course on Gender and Development and inauguration of the Legal Aid Clinic to aid in creating a gender-just humane society. I would like to thank everyone who assisted at and attended the WSC's Activities to make it a fruitful endeavour.

Teaching

a) Gender Studies Course for all II & III UG Students

WSC has been offering a paper in Gender Studies from the academic year 2011- 2012 onwards. In order to cater to all the students it was decided that the paper could be introduced to the II and III UG students. The number of II UG and III UG students who benefitted from it in the current year is 1182 and 1105 respectively.

b) Certificate Course on Gender and Development

The syllabus for Certificate Course on Gender and Development was finalized in the Board of Studies on



2nd July 2011 and it was decided that a pass in standard XII would be the eligibility criteria for students. The University Commission made a visit to the Women's Studies Centre on 25th September 2012 and approved to admit students to the maximum of 60. The course is modelled on life-oriented syllabus. The certificate course consists of three papers namely Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, Gender and Health and Gender and Work. A total of 45 students of both genders from 7 departments opted for this course in this academic year.

Training

a) Orientation on Gender Studies Course for Staff

Orientation on “Gender Studies” was held on 14th August 2012 at Shanthi hall, HCC, Tiruchirappalli. Sr. Christina Bridget, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Commerce, HCC gave an orientation on Gender Studies to the new staff in-charge. The programme started with an ice breaking session



followed by a power point presentation. The participants had group discussion and interaction with the chief guest on the syllabus. The participants were divided into six groups and did role play and chart presentation on topics such as sexual harassment at work place, gender inequality at home, domestic violence and gender bias in education and health. A total of 31 staff benefitted from the training programme.

b) Training Programme on Capacity Building for Rural School Students

The training programme on Capacity Building for Rural School Children was conducted on 2nd February 2013 at Shanthi hall, HCC, Tiruchirappalli. Ms. K. Suganthi, Assistant Professor of English, Holy Cross



College, Tiruchirappalli was the resource person. Students learnt many skills through activities and stories. Students were given different examples to increase their level of confidence and they were asked to tell the importance of individual thinking. They were encouraged to make use of all opportunities that knock their doors.

c) Social Work Trainee

Mr. Sureshkumar of I MSW, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli joined as a field work trainee to WSC in the second semester. The trainee was given orientation on gender sensitization, social work methods and assisted in the work at the Centre for experience. As part of his field work curriculum he made 5 case studies, 2 group work and 1 Community Organization Programme.

d) Training Programmes Attended

Ms. R. Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, WSC attended the following Training Programmes

- ❖ One-Day Training of Trainers Programme on Gender Sensitization on 06th September 2012 organised by Centre for Women's Studies, Cauvery College for Women, Annamalai Nagar, Tiruchirappalli.
- ❖ Ninth Short Term Training on Methods and Approaches to Research on Migration Issues on 15th to 19th October 2012 organised by Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum, Kerala.
- ❖ Workshop on Awareness Creation & Capacity building of Women in Civil Society on 16th & 17th January 2013 organised by Indian Social Institute, Bangalore.
- ❖ Workshop on Research Methodology and Technology Management in Higher Education" on 14th and 15th March 2013 organised by Academic Staff College, Pondicherry University, Puducherry.

Research

a) Research Work Done

- * Ms. Anitha Sharon, Assistant Professor of Social Work and Ms. R. Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, WSC did a research on "An Action Research on Living Conditions and Problems of Beggars in Tiruchirappalli District".
- * The Centre completed the research work on "A Descriptive Study on Conditions and Problems of Women Hostellers in Tiruchirappalli District"

b) Research Work On Going

The research work on slum women is extended to 200 from 50 samples. We are in the process of collecting data. An interactive session with the Student Council Members was conducted on 8th March 2013. Research on Sexual Harassment, Eve-Teasing, Gender Discrimination, Cyber Crimes and Lack of Awareness will be conducted. The research work will be completed in December 2013. The outcome of the research will be included in the next year Annual Report.

c) Papers Presented

Ms. R. Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, WSC participated and presented a paper on "Good Governance and Sustainable Human Development" at the 'National Conference on Gender Mainstreaming: Towards Gender Equality, Equity & Sustainable Human Development (NCGM-2012)' on 17th September 2012, organized by Centre for Women's Studies, Alagappa University, Karaikudi.

Field Action

1. National Nutrition Week Celebration

As a part of National Nutrition Week Celebration, Women's Studies Centre and National Service Scheme of Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli conducted various activities in their adopted villages and College for different target groups to sensitize the people on the importance of nutrition. We conducted a game called "**Health is Wealth and Nutritional Ball**" at Azhinjikarai Village on 1st September 2012. The second day of the celebration was an activity packed day with two competitions and one input session. A '**Nutritional Quiz**' competition was conducted for the administrative staff of the College. Dr. Ashokan, PG Assistant, Holy Cross Girls' Higher Secondary School, Tiruchirappalli was the judge for the competition. A competition called '**Cooking cum Demonstration**' was conducted for men. Men participated with more enthusiasms and interest. Mr. Ramalingam, Chef, Banana leaf A/C Restaurant, Tiruchirappalli was the



judge. He appreciated the participants for their effort and gave some useful suggestions to improve their cooking capacity.

The input session on '**Nutritional Security and Sustainable Development**' was conducted at Shanthi Hall, HCC, Tiruchirappalli for Gender Club members of Women's Studies Centre, National Service Scheme

Volunteers and Red Ribbon Club Volunteers. Ms. Athilakshmi, Head, Department of Food Management and Dietetics, Cauvery College for Women, Tiruchirappalli who was the resource person spoke on food security versus nutritional security and five-year plan in relation to malnutrition.



On the third day of the celebration Women's Studies Centre, National Service Scheme, Rotaract & Exnora of Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli jointly organized '**Anaemia Screening Camp**' to assess the haemoglobin level of II PG students. Dr.(Sr.) Jeusin Francis, Principal, Holy Cross College inaugurated it and 291 students benefited from the screening camp.



On the fourth day of celebration **Competition on Documentary Film Screening on Gender Gap in Women's Health and Poster Presentation on Nutrition Diet** for Pregnant Women, Adolescent Girls and Children were conducted at HCC, Tiruchirappalli. Mr. Gangadharan, Teaching Staff and Ms. Sivagami, Visual Editing Lecturer were the judges for the competition.



On 7th September 2012, **Awareness on Daily Healthy Diet** was organized for the students. Dr. Tamil Selvi, Consultant, Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Arul Hospital, Trichy was the chief guest. She spoke about the importance of motherhood, precautionary measures needed for pregnant women and tips about exercise during pregnancy. Sr. Lizy, Vice Principal presided over the function. Prizes were distributed to all the winners of various competitions. Sr. Niranjana

Antony, Advisor, Women's Studies Centre was the guest of honour. More that 121 students participated in the programme.

2. Awareness Programme on Crisis Management for Adolescents



Women's Studies Centre of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli-02, Department of Social Work, Bishop Heber College(Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli-17 and ATHMA- The Mind Centre (Psychiatric Hospital) jointly organized an awareness programme on "Crisis Management for Adolescents" on 27th September 2012 for the I and II year UG students of various departments of Holy Cross College. Mrs. Meera Ramesh, Psychologist and Consultant Counselor of ATHMA- Psychiatric Hospital addressed the psychological changes (Positive /Negative Energies) of young women and how to handle the feelings and negative energies.

3. Seminar on Human Rights



As part of the Human Rights day celebration, the Women's Studies Centre and National Service Scheme jointly organized a "Seminar on Human Rights" on 10th December 2012 at Shanthi Hall, HCC, Tiruchirappalli. Sr.Niranjana Antony, Advisor, Women's Studies Centre presided over the Seminar. **Mr.M. Chellaiah, B.Sc.**, Tiruchirappalli District Propaganda Secretary, Human Rights Movement, Tiruchirappalli was the chief guest. He emphasized that when women access equal rights, they can combat their problems much better.

4. Seminar on Right to Life

Women's Studies Centre, Come Alive and Extension Services of Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli conducted a "One Day Seminar on Right to Life" on 15th February 2013 at HCC of Education, Tiruchirappalli. Sr. Saghayamary, Secretary and In-charge, Come Alive gave the welcome address. **Mrs. Meera Ramesh**, Psychologist/Consultant Counselor, Faculty in

AIMSS, ATHMA – The Mind Centre, Tiruchirappalli spoke on Love to Live. She said love is common to all. Women should have positive attitude during crisis situation.



In the second session **Ms. J. Christy Subathra**, Correspondent, CREA Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Tiruchirappalli spoke on the topic “Be Empowered and Live”. She emphasized that Women should have dignity and every right to go anywhere at all times. Women have to be merciful and maintain friendship with one another as women in the society. She answered several questions from students during the interaction session. Sr. Secretary clarified students’ doubts during the break.

During the third session **Sr. Niranjana Antony**, Assistant Professor of Social Work & Advisor, Women’s Studies Centre, HCC, Tiruchirappalli spoke on “Enjoy Your Birthright as a Woman and Achieve”. She recounted a number of violence against women and emphasized that we have to think of others problems as our problems. She insisted that women should fight for their rights to win in life.



In the last session **Ms.T. Jayanthi Rane**, Advocate, President, Women Advocates Association, Tiruchirappalli addressed the gathering on “Women’s Privileges & Legal Rights”. There are 86 laws available in our country to protect women. So women need not worry about their safety and advised the students to share their problems with their parents. She informed about cyber crime, Anti human trafficking cell and legal aid clinic.

5. Awareness Campaign on Legal Aid Clinic

To disseminate the information on free Legal Aid Clinic in the 22 adopted villages our students did an **Awareness Campaign on Legal Aid Clinic**. The students were given orientation on the roles and responsibilities of the gender club members along with the functions of the Legal Aid Clinic. The students created awareness on the functions of Legal Aid Clinic



with the brochure at the villages. We have also informed the people to give their problems in written form if they are unable to approach the clinic.

6. Seminar on SHE (Safety, Health, Empowerment)

Women’s Studies Centre, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli organized a “**Seminar on SHE (Safety, Health and Empowerment)**” on 26th February 2013 at Sophie’s Hall, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli. The Seminar was presided over by **Dr.(Sr.) Jeusin Francis**, Principal and Director of Women’s Studies Centre, HCC, Tiruchirappalli.



Mrs.R. Lalitha Lakshmi,IPS., Superintendent of Police, Tiruchirappalli District, delivered the inaugural address. She insisted that marriage should be prevented before 21 years of age and also spoke about sexual harassment, ways to improve sex ratio and requested the participants to empower at least 2 or 3 women.

Dr. Sripriya Pragasam, M.D.,FICOG., FICS., Consultant, Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, SVH Specialty Hospital, Tiruchirappalli spoke on the topic “Women and Health”. She mentioned about the impact of low sex ratio, illegal sexual relationship and importance of uterus in women’s body.

Ms.Gowri, Guest Lecturer, Government Law College, Tiruchirappalli spoke on the topic “Women and media”. She appreciated the role of media in the rape and murder incident at Delhi. Because of media we were sensitized on so many issues. She motivated the participants to learn many good things from media.



Mrs. S. Poongodi, Limca Book of Records Holder, Tiruchirappalli spoke on the topic “Women and Empowerment” at the valedictory function. She shared about her determination to enter the Limca book of record achievement for driving with maximum passengers by her. She told about how women can achieve in life by their hard work, untiring effort and perseverance.

7. Awareness Programme on Law and Impact of Mobile Phones

Women’s Studies Centre organized a programme for all the third year UG students of all the departments on the topic “Awareness Programme on Law and Impact of Mobile Phones” on 28th February 2013 at



Sophie’s Hall, HCC, Tiruchirappalli. Ms.Jayanthi Rane, well known advocate in Tiruchirappalli was the resource person. She discussed with the students, the problems faced by women in society and the laws applicable for the same. The programme was an eye-opener on the various laws and legal aid available for women.

8. International Women’s Day Celebration

Women’s day was celebrated on 8th March 2013. Thirumigu. Priya Babu, Transgender Writer insisted in the presidential address that the transgender community needs job and recognition from the society. She added that due to lack of job and care from the family members, they are forced to go for begging and



prostitution. Hence providing them employment can help them to take care of their life. Various doubts regarding transgender community were discussed during the interactive session. Another resource person Mrs. Shanthi Selvam, Director, Amman Ladies Hostel, Chennai gave felicitation. She shared her lovely college day experiences at HCC and motivated the students that they can achieve a lot in their life. By improving their skills and good character they can do lot of things in their life. Students entertained the

guests and participants through a dance and prizes were distributed to the winners of the competitions.

9. Awareness Programme on Importance of Education and Sanitation

As part of Curriculum the field work trainee of WSC conducted an awareness programme on 9th March 2013 at Gopurapatty. Mr.Anantha Raman, Village President, Gopurapatty presided over the



programme and insisted the need for the awareness programme. Ms.R. Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, Women’s Studies Centre,HCC gave a special address. She quoted one of the foreigner’s view on India’s Sanitation condition and motivated the participants to do interaction Mr.Suburaman, Managing Trustee, SCOPE Trust, Tiruchirappalli who was the Chief Guest delivered a speech about the importance of sanitation and child education. He covered the topics such as importance of education, importance of using toilet for healthy life, cost of constructing a toilet, various types of toilet construction methods, and ways to construct a low cost toilet.

Information Dissemination

❖ Library

The Women’s Studies Centre has a separate library. In addition to 52 books in the last year the Centre purchased 17 books this year for the library. The Centre issues books to staff and research scholars.

❖ Documentation

The Centre is continuously documenting information such as articles on women achievers, violence against women, illegal activities by women to women, sexual harassment against women, women artists, workshop for women welfare and so on. WSC has documented all reports from newspapers on the Centre’s activities. WSC is continuously collecting information pertaining to women issues and challenges in everyday life. The centre houses audio-visual documentation on issues such as Ragging, Anti-Ragging, 3 documentary movies on Gender Gap in Women’s Health created by our college students and a movie on Water. The WSC also has posters on the activities of WSC, laws, status of women and pamphlets on Legal Aid Clinic. The Centre’s vision, mission and objectives are displayed on the college website www.hcctrichy.ac.in

❖ Notice Board

The WSC is maintaining a separate notice board at the entrance of WSC. The Centre has been displaying information pertaining to sexual harassment against women, bills related to women, opportunities and threats for women in the society, articles on women achievers, slogan on women's empowerment, important dates in women's history, Indian women's death due to denial of abortion in Ireland and invitation of WSC programmes in the WSC notice board.



❖ Newsletter – Volume 3

The activities of the WSC are continuously printed in the newsletter. The current year (2012 – 2013) activities are printed in the newsletter 3.

❖ College Magazine

Activities of the Women's Studies Centre for the academic year 2012 – 13 are printed in the College magazine called Holy Rood. A copy of the magazine is available in WSC.

Advocacy

a) Inauguration of Legal Aid Clinic & Awareness Camp on Women and Children's Rights, Sexual Violence against Women and Children and Self Defense



Another feather to the WSC cap was added on 24th January 2013. Mr. P. Parthasarathy B.L., Secretary/Subordinate Judge, District Legal Services Authority, Tiruchirappalli inaugurated the legal aid clinic. He stated that the purpose of the clinic is to give free legal services to the student community as well as the neighborhood free of cost. Dr. (Sr.) Jeusin Francis,



Principal and Director of Women's Studies Centre, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli gave the presidential address. Various advocates such as Mrs. C. Kanimozhi B.A.,B.L., Mrs. Farzana Begam, Mr.A. Murugesan.,B.A.,B.L., President, Tiruchirappalli Bar



Association, Mrs. S.B.A. Rajeswari B.A., B.L., Mr. D. Stanislaus B.A.,B.L., President, Criminal Court Advocates Bar, Association, Tiruchirappalli and Mr. K. Manokaran M.A.,B.L., Advocate covered various laws pertaining to women. Mrs. Maragatham, Inspector of Police, All Women Police Station, Srirangam, Tiruchirappalli spoke about self defense and Dr. D. Rani., M.B.B.S., Assistant Surgeon, ART Centre, Annal Gandhi Memorial Government Hospital, Tiruchirappalli also spoke on health aspect and emphasized the need for premarital testing at ICTC Centers. Gender Club members, NSS volunteers and Rotaract volunteers participated.

b) Functioning of Legal Aid Clinic

An Advocate will be at the Legal Aid Clinic to give legal awareness, advice and suggest some cases to Legal Aid Clinic to meet their expenses on first and third Thursday of each



month between 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. The Advocate will be assisted by Para Legal Volunteer. The Para Legal Volunteer acts as a bridge between the advocate and beneficiaries. Various people were guided to solve their problems such as getting birth certificate, new gas book for old connection, getting voter's identity card, domestic violence and getting death certificate. In all these sessions Co-ordinator, WSC was the Para Legal Volunteer and she attended various meetings conducted on legal service through District Legal Service Authority, Tiruchirappalli.

c) Article on Women Activists Oppose Death for Rape Convicts

The Centre gave voice on demand for hanging over issue to rapists. Ms. Samtha, Gender Club member expressed her opinion regarding hanging the rapist in The New Indian Express on 4th February 2013. Her views were published under the article "Women

Activists Oppose Death for Rape Convicts”. She said that “stringent laws to curb crime against women should be taken. Death penalty for offenders can be commuted to life sentences. So that offenders can undergo the pain, as the victims undergo”.

Other Activities

❖ Gender Club

Every year the I UG students and I PG students of Social Work are enrolled from all departments. The



club was inaugurated on 8th August 2012 to start its activities for the second academic year. **Dr. (Sr.) Jeusin Francis, Principal and Director of Women's Studies Centre, HCC, Tiruchirappalli** presided and motivated the students to create more awareness on gender issues. **Dr. S. Sankari, Member, Child Welfare Committee, Tiruchirappalli District and Supervisor, Umea University, Sweden** inaugurated the Gender Club for the current year 2012 – 2013 and insisted that women should be strong and not be very passive. The Centre has 166 Gender club members from all departments of the college which consists of both boys and girls. They supported the Centre in documentation, programmes at villages and acted as intermediary between their department task force members and WSC.

❖ Committee Meetings



The Centre has 6 task forces which consist of 42 staff from all the departments of the College. Each task force is headed by a team leader. The Centre also conducted meeting for Core Committee members and all task force members on the basis of need. The Centre also has a Co-ordinating body which consists of Principal/ Director, Advisor and Co-ordinator of WSC.

❖ Consultancy

The Centre act as a faciliator to Phase II Centres' activities. Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University is doing a UGC sponsored research project

called “Women Administrators in Higher Education : Challenges and Achievements” We collected data from our College Professors since they concentrated on Tiruchirappalli also.

The Centre guided one I MSW student Ms. Subulakshmi to prepare her assignment on women empowerment on 10th January 2013. The Centre guided her in giving materials, historical development of five year planning on women development and the Centre also gave an orientation on the status of women in India.

❖ NET Coaching

The Centre has been giving lot of information such as online registration, Provided materials for paper I and downloading NET certificate on National Eligibility Test to professors and outsiders.

Details of Participation

❖ **One Day Training of Trainers Programme on Gender Sensitization** was organised by Centre for Women's Studies, Cauvery College for

Women, Tiruchirappalli on 06th September 2012 at Cauvery College for Women, Tiruchirappalli. Five students from Department of Physics participated in the training programme.

❖ Poster Presentation

The WSC presented posters in the -Say No – Unite to End Violence Against Women organised by Anti Sexual Harassment Club of Holy Cross College, Women Advocates Association and Rotaract Club of Temple City on International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women which on 25th November 2012. The poster depicted violence against women, problems of women and women's rights.

❖ NGO Meet

The Co-ordinator, Women's Studies Centre, HCC participated in the 'NGO Meet' organised by Department of Social Work, HCC on 30th November 2012. Various Non Governmental Organisations took part and gave their suggestion regarding the field work placement of Social Work students.

Visits to WSC

❖ NAAC Peer Team Visit

The NAAC Peer team visited the College from 26th to 28th July 2012. The team visited the Women's Studies Centre on 27th July 2012. The members who visited the



Centre were Prof. Dr. Arbindhakumar Das, Chairperson – NAAC Peer Team, Dr. Mamata Satapathy, Member Co-ordinator – NAAC Peer Team, Prof. (Dr.) Yogindar Verma and Prof. Varinder Kaur Thind, Member – NAAC Peer Team. Sr. P. Rajakumari gave the power point presentation on WSC activities. Records were verified by them. The Team appreciated the WSC for the various activities and gave suggestions.

❖ UGC Advisory Committee Meeting



The record UGC Advisory Committee Meet was held on 12th March 2013 at Conference Hall, HCC, Tiruchirappalli. Dr.(Sr.) Jeusin Francis, Principal and also the Director, Women's Studies Centre, HCC welcomed the gathering. Sr. Niranjana Antony, Advisor, Women's Studies Centre read the minutes of the activities of the Centre for the year 2011 – 2013. The members such as Prof. Susheela Kaushik, Former UGC Standing Committee Member & Co-Chair, UGC Capacity Building of Women, Managers in Higher Education, New Delhi, Dr. N. Manimekalai, Professor, Department of Women's Studies, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli and members from college such as Dr. H.D. Subhashini, Assistant Professor of Botany, Ms. Shirly Priya, Assistant Professor of Visual Communication and Mr. Antony Stephen, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Social work took part in the meeting and gave their valuable ideas. Ms. Saraswathi, Co-ordinator, WSC proposed the vote of thanks.

Networking and Collaboration

The Centre organized programmes in collaboration with all the part IV wings and Rural Enrichment through Students and Community Action and Participation for Environmental Sustainability (RESCAPES) within the College. The WSC in collaboration with District Legal Service Authority, Tiruchirappalli, PG & Research Department of Social Work, Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli, All India Radio (AIR) and Chief Educational Office, Tiruchirappalli was engaged in activities outside the college. **The WSC also has partnership with phase I and II Centres such as** Centre for Women's Studies, Cauvery College for Women, Tiruchirappalli Department of Women's Studies, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, and Department of Women's Studies, Alagappa University, Karaikudi.

❖ Words of Appreciation

The Centre has been initiating so many ventures. A special congratulations for the inauguration of Legal Aid Clinic. The growth of the Centre is remarkable. All the very best for its future endeavours.

- **Dr. Sekar**

Principal, Chidambaram Pillai College for Women, Tiruchirappalli

Accomplishment

- ❖ Offered Certificate Course on Gender and Development
- ❖ Offered Gender studies for II year and III year students
- ❖ Inaugurated Legal Aid Clinic in association with District Legal Services Authority, Tiruchirappalli
- ❖ Conducted UGC Advisory Committee meeting
- ❖ Guided a Social Work Trainee
- ❖ Organized seminars on Human Rights and SHE (Safety, Health and Empowerment)
- ❖ Conducted Programmes on Gender Sensitization for gender club members
- ❖ Cultivated relationship with Doctoral Research Scholars
- ❖ Cultivated relationship with PG and Research Department of Social Work, Bishop Heber College, Tiruchirappalli
- ❖ Participated in the workshop organized by phase I Centre
- ❖ Conducted legal awareness programme for all Part IV students
- ❖ Library and documentation
- ❖ The Centre has been building data and disseminating information on women
- ❖ International women's day celebration

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