

Session- 2022-2023

ISSUES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

An interactive meeting on "Issues of Domestic Violence Against Women" and gender sensitization was organized by the HP State Commission for Women on September 3, 2022, at D C Office, Bachat Bhawan, Shimla. The event was graced by Dr. Daisy Thakur, Chairperson of HP State Commission for Women, as the chief guest. The meeting also saw the presence of other important guests, including Law Officer HPSCW Adv. Anuj Verma, Prof. Meenakshi F. Paul, and Prof. Shiv Nath Ghosh. During the meeting, an awareness questionnaire was introduced for college students regarding the issue of domestic violence against women.











BEAUTY PAGEANTS- A GATEWAY TO SUCCESS AND GLORY!

On September 9, 2022, Amar Ujala and GOYAL Motors Pvt Ltd sponsored the registrations for the popular beauty pageant "Miss Himachal Princess" at St. Bede's College, Shimla. The event was organized by the convener of Women Cell, Dr Vandana Thakur, who encouraged and guided students to participate in the contest to showcase their talents and boost their confidence and personality. Over 60 students registered themselves for the pageant, which offers various career options and opportunities, and a cash prize of one lakh rupees and a one-year modeling contract for the winner.



Enrolling for the "Miss Himachal Princess" beauty pageant was a simple process. Girls were required to provide their personal details and hobbies, and once they had filled out the registration forms, they were mailed to Amar Ujala's official website. After the auditions, selected participants would receive training from a Bollywood choreographer, grooming from a beauty institute (Lakme), and outfits designed by budding designers from INIFD (Inter National Institute of Fashion Design). The opportunity for such extensive training and development was highly appreciated by the students.







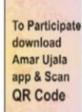
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मिस हिमाचल प्रिंसेस के लिए सेंट बीड्स कॉलेज में हुआ पंजीकरण मिस हिमाचल प्रिंसेस के ताज के लिए शिमला की युवतियों में खासा उत्साह है। आरकेएमवी, कोटशेरा के बाद अब सेंट बीड्स कॉलेज में छात्राओं ने रुचि दिखाते हुए पंजीकरण करवाया। पंजीकरण के

पहले चरण में सैकड़ों छात्राएं इसमें प्रतिभागी बनने के लिए पंजीकृत हो गई हैं। दूसरे चरण में इन पंजीकृत प्रतिभागियों को ऑडिशन के लिए आमंत्रित किया जाएगा। 18 से 24 वर्ष की युवतियां इसमें भाग ले सकती हैं। ऑडिशन में चयनित होने वाली प्रदेशभर की 20 युवितयां फैशन शो में प्रतिभागी बनेंगी। इन प्रतिभागियों को संवारने, व्यक्तित्व निखारने और रैंप वॉक का छह दिनों तक प्रशिक्षण दिया जाएगा। संवाद

इस शो के ऑडिशन में भाग लेने के लिए इच्छुक प्रतिभागी ऑनलाइन और ऑफलाइन आवेदन कर सकते हैं। अमर उजाला एप डाउनलोड कर ऊपर दिए गए क्यूआर कोड को स्कैन कर अपना पंजीकरण कर सकते हैं।

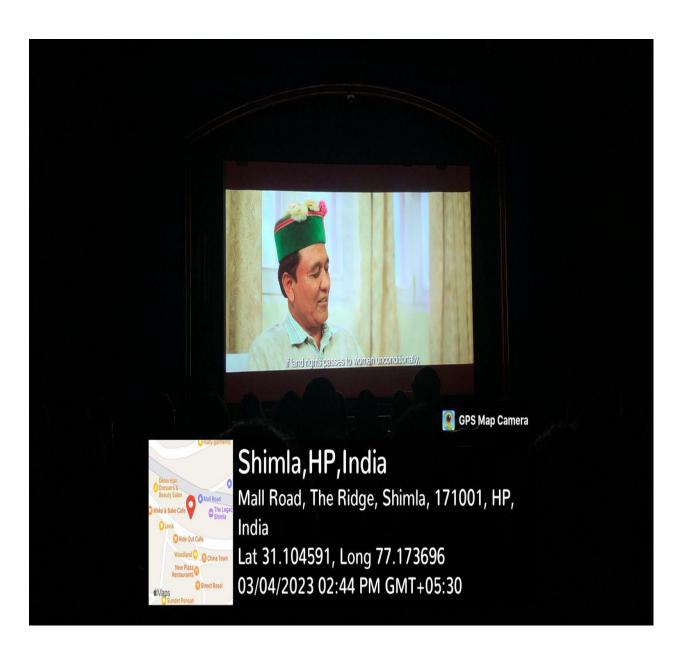






INTERNATIONAL WOMENS' DAY 2023

A group of sixty students from St. Bede's College attended the International Women's Day celebration at Gaiety Theatre, organized by the Directorate of Women and Child Development, H.P on March 4, 2023. The event showcased two documentaries, "No Woman's Land" and "Breaking the Ice", which highlighted the challenges women face in their quest for equality. These documentaries were directed by Dr. Devkanya Thakur, who shared her experiences and creative inspirations with the students and guided them through the filmmaking process.





Dr Devkanya Thakur has explained in her documentary No Woman's Land, that despite the talk about women empowerment, security and the need to address the imbalance in child sex ratio, a significant amount of money is still spent on women's programs. However, in some parts of India, such as the tribal areas of Himachal Pradesh, the law is still gender biased. According to the revenue law prevalent in these areas, a woman is prohibited from inheriting ancestral property from both her paternal and maternal sides, which is a manifestation of patriarchal attitudes.



Dr Devkanya Thakur's short film "No Woman's Land" was produced in 2015 to shed light on the issue of gender-biased laws prevailing in tribal areas of Himachal Pradesh, which prevent women from inheriting ancestral property from both paternal and maternal sides. Despite facing resistance from the male society of tribal districts, Dr Thakur continued to screen the film at different platforms to bring the issue into the public domain. Her efforts resulted in the issue gaining attention from local and national media, which eventually brought it to the notice of the Himachal Pradesh High Court.





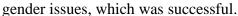
The second film showcased the challenges faced by women in the sport of skiing, a male-dominated field, and their remarkable achievements. Both documentaries directed by Dr Devkanya Thakur were captivating and inspiring. The International Women's Day celebration organized by the Directorate of Women and Child Development, H.P. provided an excellent opportunity for the students to witness such impactful films and take part in an event that aimed to empower women.





CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMENS' DAY 2023

On March 9, 2023, St. Bede's College's Women Cell commemorated International Women's Day. The United Nations theme for this year's Women's Day was DigitALL: Innovation and technology for Gender Equality, which emphasized the importance of technology in raising awareness of gender issues. The institute's students exhibited their talents and confidence through a Nukkad Natak, followed by an interactive session with the guest speaker, Professor Neelima Kanwar, the current Dean of the Faculty of Languages at Himachal Pradesh University. Dr. Kanwar engaged the students in a discussion on various issues faced by women in today's world, and the students shared their experiences and concerns. As part of the celebration, a rally was organized to promote women's empowerment and raise awareness of















शिमला। सेंट बीड्स महाविद्यालय के महिला प्रकोष्ठ द्वारा अंतरराष्ट्रीय महिला दिवस के अवसर पर महाविद्यालय के सभागार में एक संवादात्मक सत्र आयोजन किया गया। इस कार्यक्रम में मुख्य वक्ता के रूप में हिमाचल प्रदेश विश्वविद्यालय के अंग्रेजी विभाग में बतौर प्रोफेसर डॉ नीलिमा कंवर रहीं। अपने वक्तव्य के माध्यम से उन्होंने महाविद्यालय की छत्राओं को वर्तमान समय में महिलाओं के सामने आने वाली विभिन्न समस्याओं को लेकर जागरूक किया, साथ ही महिला सशक्तिकरण पर विस्तृत चर्चा की और अपने वक्तव्य द्वारा पूरे महाविद्यालय को लाभान्वित किया। इसके बाद छत्राओं द्वारा वक्तव्य से सबंधित प्रश्न पूछे गए तथा अपने अनुभवों और विताओं को साझा किया। महाविद्यालय की छात्राओं ने नुक्कड़ नाटक तथा रैली के माध्यम से दर्शकों को जागरूक करने का प्रयास किया और इसके साथ ही कार्यक्रम का समापन हुआ। कार्यक्रम का आयोजन डॉ वंदना ठाकुर तथा प्रियंका मेहता द्वारा किया गया



