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GENDER CLUB

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ABOUT

The Gender Club is an innovative initiative formed under the auspices of the Kudumbashree Mission's Gender Programmes, designed to address critical issues surrounding gender equality and social justice. This pioneering effort is dedicated to fostering an educational environment where principles of fairness and equality are paramount, aiming to cultivate a non-violent society that actively works to eliminate gender discrimination. By creating spaces where individuals can learn about and advocate for gender equality, the Gender Club seeks to raise awareness and challenge the deeply ingrained biases that perpetuate discrimination. The initiative places a strong emphasis on education as a tool for change, believing that informed individuals are better equipped to fight for social justice. This involves a range of activities, from workshops and seminars to community outreach programs, all designed to engage and empower participants. The club also strives to ensure equal opportunities across all sectors, recognizing that true gender equality requires not just the absence of discrimination but the presence of equitable access to resources, opportunities, and decision-making processes. By addressing the social, economic, and cultural barriers that hinder gender equality, the Gender Club works to create a more inclusive society where everyone, regardless of gender, can thrive. This initiative is a testament to the Kudumbashree Mission's commitment to social justice and its proactive approach to fostering a society where gender

equality is not just an ideal but a lived reality. Through its comprehensive and forward-thinking programmes, the Gender Club is poised to make a significant impact on the communities it serves.

OBJECTIVES

- ❖ The Gender Club envisions students as responsible leaders who can create an environment where all genders are treated with dignity and respect. By nurturing leadership qualities in students, the club empowers them to become advocates for gender equality both within their educational institutions and in the broader community. This vision is grounded in the belief that students, as future leaders, have the potential to shape societal norms and foster inclusive environments. The club provides students with the tools and knowledge necessary to understand and address gender issues, encouraging them to take an active role in promoting gender equality and respect in all areas of life.
- ❖ Through its activities, the club aims to teach gender awareness and establish social standards that cherish humanity regardless of gender. These activities include workshops, discussions, and campaigns that educate participants about gender issues and challenge stereotypes. By fostering open dialogues about gender, the club encourages participants to critically examine their own beliefs and behaviours. This educational approach helps establish new social standards that value every individual, regardless of gender, and promote a culture of empathy, understanding, and

respect. The club's activities are designed to be inclusive and engaging; ensuring that all members feel valued and heard.

- ❖ The club promotes an integrated and interdisciplinary approach to studying the social and cultural conceptions of gender. This means that gender issues are explored from various perspectives, including sociology, psychology, history, and literature. By integrating different disciplines, the club provides a comprehensive understanding of how gender shapes and is shaped by societal and cultural forces. This interdisciplinary approach encourages students to think critically and make connections between different fields of study, enhancing their overall understanding of gender issues. By promoting this holistic view, the Gender Club aims to equip students with the skills and knowledge necessary to address complex gender-related challenges in society.

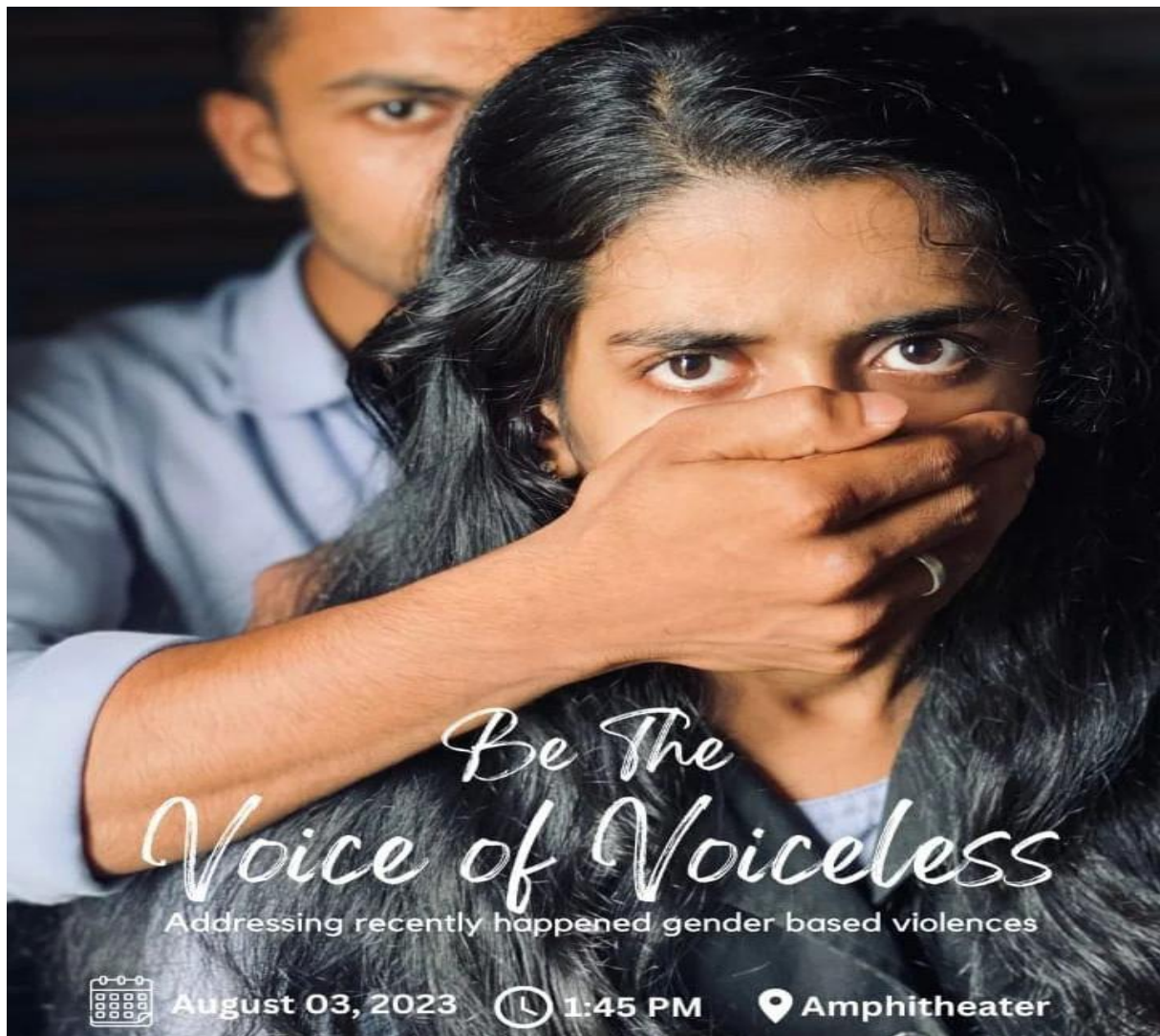
ACTIVITIES

BE THE VOICE OF THE VOICELESS

The Gender Club, in association with the Department of Social Work at Safa College of Arts and Science, Pookkattiri, organized a significant student gathering to address the recent atrocities against women in India. Held on August 3, 2023, at 1:45 PM in the college amphitheatre, the event aimed to raise awareness and foster a collective response to gender-based violence.

The program was inaugurated by Dr. P.V. Nidhin, the Principal of Safa College of Arts and Science, Pookkattiri, underscoring the institution's commitment to addressing such critical issues. The relevance of this gathering cannot be overstated, as it brought together students, faculty members, and Gender Club leaders to discuss and confront the alarming rise in gender-based violence. By providing a platform for open dialogue and reflection, the event aimed to educate and empower participants to become proactive in combating gender inequalities and supporting victims of violence.

The objectives of the program were multifaceted. Firstly, it sought to create awareness among students about the severity and prevalence of



gender-based atrocities. Secondly, it aimed to cultivate a supportive and informed community that can advocate for change. Finally, the program endeavoured to inspire students to take a stand against gender-based violence through active participation and commitment to social justice.

The impact of the program was profound. Faculty members and Gender Club leaders delivered powerful speeches, highlighting the need for collective action and the importance of fostering an

environment of respect and equality. The event concluded with a poignant pledge by the students to work towards a world free from gender-based violence. This pledge symbolized a unified commitment to advocating for change and supporting efforts to eliminate gender discrimination. By engaging the student body in this critical issue, the Gender Club and the Department of Social Work at Safa College have taken a crucial step in promoting a more just and equitable society.

PHOTOS



Principal Dr P V Nidhin Inaugurating the function



Club President miss. Mursina P



Gathering in the Amphitheatre



Students taking pledge to be part of gender sensitization