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## LEGAL LITERACY CLUB

R.N. COLLEGE, HAJIPUR

### (Programmes organized during 2017- 2022)

Legal Literacy Club was constituted at R.N. College, Hajipur on 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2015 under the aegis of National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi and Bihar Legal Services Authority. Mr. N.K. Nirala was deputed as first Para Legal Volunteer at R.N. College, Hajipur. Since then the Legal Literacy Club, R.N. College, Hajipur has been organizing awareness programmes among students at the College. About 10-12 Programmes on different themes are organized in a year. Group discussion on preamble, fundamental duties, right to education, Directive Principles of state Policy, fundamental rights etc. are organized by the club. Essay writing on constitutional values, rights of women, gender sensitization, preamble of the constitution, importance of Science in our life is organized to acquaint students with the above. Similarly debates on population literacy, eradication of poverty are organized to make students know the society they live in. Important occasions like constitution Day, Republic Day and Republic Day are observed.

Here I am giving a brief account of some important programmes from the academic year 2017.

#### 2017

In the year 2017, three important programmes were organized on the themes of (i) Importance of Preamble in the Indian Constitution (ii) Commemoration of Science Day and (iii) International Human Right Day, December 10. On this occasion of Republic Day, the club on 27<sup>th</sup> January an essay competition on the importance of Preamble was organized in room no. 16 of Arts Block. Students took the competition seriously and 30 students of M.A. took part in it. Here it would be pertinent to note that students were aware of the tenets contained in the preamble to the Constitution. Dr. R.K. Verma introduced theme of the essay competition before the test commenced. Students fared well at the test as evidenced by the quality of the essays.

On February 28, 2017 national science day was observed with enthusiasm. On the occasion Dr. Kiran Kumari, HoD, Physics spoke at length on the importance of Science in life. C.V. Raman's work fetched him Nobel Prize in Physics. She exhorted students to consider C.V. Raman as their inspiration.

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On the occasion of Human Rights Day, 10 December, 2017, Legal Literacy Club organized a talk on Human rights. Dr. Archana Kumara, Assoc. Professor of Political Science, was the sole speaker. She dwelt at length on the origin of Human Rights and Universal Declaration of Human Rights on 10<sup>th</sup> Dec, 1948. She enumerated various kinds of human rights students were greatly benefitted by the talk.

2018

District Legal Services Authority, Hajipur (Vaishali) gave the list of e schedule for the programme in the legal literacy club in August, 2018. The first programme fell on the 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. The club celebrated Teachers Day with the Principal Sri V.K. Yadav, chairing the function. On this occasion teachers of Department of Political Science, History and Economics participated in the programme and highlighted the importance of teachers' day.

Speakers exhorted the students to imbibe the teachings of Dr. S. Radhakrishnan. The Principal in his presidential address thanked legal literacy club for celebrating Teachers' day. He summed up the speeches of different speakers and exhorted all present there to cultivate the traits of our revered President. At the end of the Programme students came up with poetry recitation.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep., 2018 a debate on ragging, road safety and dowry prohibition was organized among students. Ragging is the worst thing to happen in an academic campus and all the participants condemned it in no uncertain terms. Road safety is very important in saving lives on the road. Students learnt the basic things about road safety. Finally the debate focused on dowry prohibition, the bane of our society. The principal asked all the participants to take a pledge to desist from giving and accepting dowry.

On 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 a debate on human rights and rights of disabled persons was organized. Students in general and M.A. students in particular spoke their minds in the debate candidly. Almost all participants were of the view that violation of human rights is rampant. Children below the age of 14 are employed in hazardous factories with impunity. The debate gave attention to the rights of disabled persons and inadequacy of the steps taken by the govt.

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On 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 constitution Day was celebrated, the day our constitution was adopted in 1949. This marked the beginning of constitutionalism in our motherland. Dr. P.K. Yadav, an expert on Indian govt. and politics, took keen interest in the discussion on the journey of constitution and good points reflected therein. Values enshrined in our constitution must be cultivated by us in our life.

## 2019

The proposed schedule for the programme in the Legal Literacy Clubs was received by the College in January, 2019. The legal Literacy Club of the College decided to hold a discussion on "Right to Education". Discussion on Right to Education was organized in the auditorium of R.N. College, Hajipur on 19<sup>th</sup> of January, 2019. Dr. R.K. Verma was the keynote speaker on the occasion. He presented a threadbare analysis of right to education guaranteed under the Indian Constitution. The right to Education Act is an Act of the Parliament of India enacted on 4<sup>th</sup> of August, 2019 which provides for the right of children to free and compulsory education till completion of elementary education in a neighbourhood school. 'Free' means that no child shall be liable to pay any kind of fee or charges or expenses which may stop him or her from pursuing and completing elementary education.

Inserted in the constitution under Art.21-A, the right means that every child has a right to full time elementary education of satisfactory and equitable quality in a formal school. Dr. P.K. Yadav introduced the theme in a cogent manner. He was of the opinion that the right to education is a historic step taken by the Govt. of India in the year 2019. Dr. Archana traced the origin of this important right and provisions of the Indian Constitution were there to lend strength to the movement for making education as a fundamental right.

Dr. Archana Kumari, Assoc. Professor Department of Political Science delivered her speech on the right to education and the positive impact it will have on the coming generation. She said that it was a historic legislation by the Indian Parliament. Dr. Shashi Bhushan Kumar, Assoc. Professor, Deptt. of Political Science dealt with the topic in a comprehensive way tracing from the debates in the Constituent Assembly to present day legislation on the right to education. He gave statistical data to show that the number of dropouts has considerably decreased.

In the age of globalization when everything is getting privatized the govt. has taken a bold step in the realm of education. In his presidential address Dr. K.R.K. Ranjan summed up the speeches and hoped that the right to education will usher in an era of enlightenment in India. The poor people are

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being benefitted by this legislation. The discussion was anchored by Dr. K.H. Siddiqui and vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Md. Nayyer Pervez.

On 16<sup>th</sup> February 2019 an essay writing on right to information was organized. Students participated in the contest and almost all of them knew the importance of right to information Act passed in 2005. The awareness level of the students was stounding. They incorporated all the features of the Act in their essays. Essays were examined by Dr. P.K. Yadav. Dr. Yadav later on highlighted the importance of the Act and how it was so important for strengthening the roots of democracy.

On 11<sup>th</sup> July,2019 a debate was organized on the theme "Rise in Population- Boon or Curse". There were 5 to 6 debators and the rest were listeners. Almost all the speakers dubbed 'rise in population' as bane for India and blamed illiteracy for the burgeoning population. Besides, early marriage, universal desire for a male child etc. are responsible for the rise in population. The debate was anchored by Dr. K.H. Siddiqui, in-charge, Legal Literacy Club, R.N. College, Hajipur.

On 26<sup>th</sup> Nov.,2019, constitution day was celebrated. The foundation of a modern democratic Indian state was envisaged in the constitution. The career of India as a secular polity commenced with the adoption of constitution on 26<sup>th</sup> Nov,1949. Ideals of fraternity, equality and liberty went a long way in shaping our country. Besides Scientific temper as a fundamental duty came up for discussion.

## 2022

Covid -19 pandemic halted the activities of Legal Literacy Club in 2020 and 2021. The catatrophic effect of this scourage was felt till the end of 2021. Hence, the legal literacy club resumed its activities from the beginning of 2022. A new incumbent of legal literacy club was nominated Mr. Mukesh Kumar joined here as a para legal volunteer in March,2022.

The first activity undertaken by the club was organized on 15<sup>th</sup> January ,2022. Group discussion on preamble, fundamental duties and right to education was organized. Students were divided into four groups- A,B,C, and D, each consisting of 4 participants . Participants indulged in threadbare analysis of preamble, fundamental duties and right to education. The discussion brought forth the kernel of each of the topics. Preamble proved to be the mirror to the constitution is whereas fundamental duties are there to supplement and compliment fundamental rights. Right to education set forth the march of Indian democracy to new horizons.

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The second programme in February, 2022 was essay writing on constitutional values. Students were encouraged by the literacy club to write essay without prior preparation. They were successful in identifying the values in the constitution. Liberty, equality, fraternity, secularism, socialism formed the crux of their writing. The in-charge Dr. K.H. Siddiqui presented his views on constitutional values encompassing all that were left by students.

On 21 March 2022, essay writing on the theme "rights of women" was organized in room no. 16 of Arts Block. Students enthusiastically participated in the essay writing and came up with their views in their writing. They recounted the rights available to women guaranteed under the Indian Constitution. Interestingly they also wrote on the reproductive rights of women and their equal rights in inheritance. The club incharge Dr. K.H. Siddiqui, engaged with the students on the theme and motivated them to arm themselves with the latest developments in the realm of rights.

On 21 May, 2022 an essay writing on "importance of Science in our life" was organized under the aegis of Legal Literacy Club, R.N. College, Hajipur. Importance of Science in our life cannot be wished away. Science is indispensable in every walk of life. Students were aware of the fact that without Science human life is meaningless. In their write ups students highlighted the importance of science. The crux of their submission was that science plays most vital role from the cradle to the grave. The programme was conducted by Dr. K.H. Siddiqui.

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