

Call for Papers
National Seminar
ON
Violence Against Women: Concept, Issues, Emerging Problems &
Current Challenges On 11/11/2017

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

Variouly referred to as Sexual Violence, Gender Violence, or Violence against Women, this age-old issue and reality has gained urgency only recently because of the significant work of women advocates and survivors in naming the problem. It includes domestic violence, rape, trafficking in women and girls, forced prostitution, and violence in armed conflict, such as murder, systematic rape, sexual slavery and forced pregnancy. It also includes honour killings, dowry-related violence, female infanticide and pre-natal sex selection in favour of male babies, female genital mutilation, and other harmful practices and traditions. These forms show that violence against women may be viewed as a continuum occurring at various life cycle stages of a woman's life.

The UN Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women (1993) defines violence against women as, any act of gender-based violence that results in, or is likely to result in physical, sexual or psychological harm or suffering to women, including threats of such acts, coercion or arbitrary deprivation of liberty, whether occurring in public and private life. Violence against women in its various forms is a violation of human rights, the very nature of which deprives women of their ability to enjoy fundamental freedoms. It is a serious obstacle to equality between women and men and perpetuates inequality. Violence against women intersects with multiple forms of discrimination. While violence against women is universal, its manifestations and women's personal experiences of it are shaped by factors such as economic status, race, class, religion, etc. Violence against women remains hidden in the culture of silence. Advancement in technology has also brought about new forms of violence against women. Early detection of sex of the child has given rise to increasing instances of female foeticide. Easy access to new forms of information and communication technologies has given rise to new forms of harassment and violence such as cyber or phone stalking and increase in demand for pornography.

There is need to break the silence and ensure that violence against women is not just a woman's issue but primarily a political, social, economic and cultural issue that concerns men as well. While men represent the majority of perpetrators of violence against women, they have an important role to play in preventing and combating violence against women. Because of their role models as fathers, husbands, brothers, and sons, men and young boys should be part of the solution and thus be involved in eliminating violence against women. If men felt involved, they should help promote changes in attitudes among other men. It is not women or men working alone to end gender-based violence that yields the best results. It is the partnership between them that has the greatest impact and reach.

OBJECTIVES THE SEMINAR

1. To raise awareness on the issue of gender violence and analyze the causes and factors of violence against women.
2. To analyze how the violence against women impact the lives of women victims, their families and society.
3. To identify educational and social strategies to address the issue.
4. To collect, share and develop innovative responses and best practices for elimination and prevention of violence against women.
5. To give recommendations and concrete proposal for action for elimination and prevention of violence against women.

6. SUB THEME OF SEMINAR

1. Eve-teasing, Molestation, Sexual Abuse and Rape
 2. The nature of Violence against Women.
 3. Historical & Sociological dimensions of Women's position in Indian society
 4. Forced prostitution and trafficking of women and the girl child
 5. Sexual harassment and abuse at the work place
 6. Women's empowerment and changing Indian society
 7. Domestic Violence and honour based killing
 8. Cyber-Crime against women
 9. Harassment in holy places
 10. Violence in work place
 11. Role of Education, Society & Culture in promoting Women's position.
 12. Literary Perspectives on status of Women.
 13. Women and Indian films
 14. Forms of empowerment of women and the future needs
 15. Image of Women in the Media
7. All Academicians, Scholars are invited to submit abstract of their paper for consideration. All submission will be subject to double blind peer review system. Each presenter will be given 10-12 minutes for presentation.
 8. **Abstract should not exceeding 500 words and research paper not exceeding 4000 words typed with 12 point font in Times New Roman.**
 9. **The paper should contain topic/title, name of author, mailing address, telephone No. and email address.** Submission of paper via email is preferred and alternatively, one hard copy CD can be mailed to the organizing secretary.
 10. Last Date for Abstract submission: 5th October, 2017

Date of Acceptance of Selected Abstracts: 12th October, 2017

Date of submission Full Paper 30th October, 2017

Venue ó University Campus

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