## REPORT

## **Awareness Programme**

on

## "Different Provision of Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955, and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989" (Date: 07/02/2019)

This awareness programme was sponsored by Directorate of SC & ST welfare, Govt. of Tripura, and was organized jointly by the Equal Opportunity Cell and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Ambedkar College, Fatikroy, Unakoti.

The programme starts with the inaugural function presided by Dr. Subrata Sharma, Principal i/c of the college, in presence of Mr. Sudhangshu Das, Honorable M. L. A., Fatikroy, as inaugurator and Mr. Lalhiminga Darlong, D. I. G. Northern Range, Tripura, as chief guest & resource person, Mr. Sandipan Debroy, Lawyer, Kailashahar, and other distinguished guests from media house, teachers and students of the college. The function starts with customary lightening of holy lamp and inaugural song by students of the college. Followed by was the welcome address by Dr. Anil Kr. Acharya, co-coordinator IQAC, speech of the chief guest and speech of inaugurator, respectively.

The chief guest in his speech highlighted the present scenario of the SC & ST Act in Tripura in general and specially in Northern range. Also he elaborate of the role of police as the enforcement agency for protection of civil right and SC & ST acts. He sensitized the students regarding the use and misuse of both the acts, especially the SC & ST act.

The inaugurator, at the outset of his speech, enquired the number of SC and ST students present in the meeting and expressed his satisfaction. He highlighted the need of these two acts and Govt.'s keenness in implementation of these acts in its true spirit. Also asked the students to be aware about their rights and duties pertaining to all fields to make their life successful.

The principal i/c of the college narrates lucidly the basics of these two laws, especially highlighting the recent past of the SC & ST act. And asked the students to be sensitive towards these acts. He concludes his speech by expressing thanks to all the dignitaries, teachers and students of the college.

The inaugural function comes to an end with the aforementioned presidential address.

The second part of this programme was a Technical Session, planned speeches by resource persons. It starts with the speech of Mr. Sandipan Debroy, Lawyer, Kailashahar. He explained the pros and cons of both the acts citing examples from Andhrapradesh and other states of India.

Also highlighted isolated incidences of Tripura pertaining to these two acts. Highlighting the strictness of the SC & ST act he specially mentioned about the no availability of advantages of the Provision of Offender Act, and anticipatory bail.

Mr. Tapas Bhowmik, resource person, highlighted various provisions of the Indian constitution for the protection of civil rights, SC and STs with the initial stress on the ill effects of the so-called 'Hindu Social Order'. He concluded with the remark that only laws are not enough to improve the status of SCs and STs; rather it is the mindset of the people and society that need to be sensitized.

Mr. Biplab Majumder, resource person, in his speech narrates a story of an African farmer and with that sensitized the students about the importance of the self awareness regarding their duties and rights framed for their benefit.

After the speeches of the aforementioned three resource persons the awareness programe comes to an end. And refreshment was served to the present students, teachers and resource persons.



PHOTOS

Distinguished Guests in the Inaugural Function



Inaugural Song by Students



Speech by Chief Guest & Resource person Mr. L. Darlong, D. I. G. Northern Range, Tripura



Speech by M. L. A., Fatikroy



Speech by Principal i/c, Ambedkar College



Speech by Resource person Mr. Sandipan Debroy, Lawyer



Speech by Resource person Mr. Tapas Bhowmik



Speech by Resource person Mr. Biplab Kr. Majumder



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