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# Bhrashtachar Mukt J&K Week at GDC Kulgam: A Pioneering Initiative for a Corruption-Free Union Territory

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GDC Kulgam, 10-9-2023: In a concerted effort to combat corruption and promote transparency in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, Government Degree College (GDC) Kulgam organized the "Bhrashtachar Mukt J&K Week" from September 4th to 10th, 2023. The week-long event was organized by the college's DIAC (Digital Initiative and Automation Committee) with the aim of creating awareness about corruption and fostering a culture of honesty and accountability.

The inauguration session of the week was held with great enthusiasm and was graced by the esteemed Principal of GDC Kulgam, Prof. Syed Eazaz Hussain Rizvi, who has been an ardent advocate for clean governance and ethical practices. The event set the tone for a series of impactful activities and initiatives throughout the week.

## Inauguration Ceremony:

The inauguration ceremony, held on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, marked the official commencement of the "Bhrashtachar Mukt J&K Week." Principal Prof. Syed Eazaz Hussain Rizvi, in his opening address, emphasized the importance of eradicating corruption from society. He stated, "Corruption is a cancer that erodes the foundations of our society. It is imperative that we come together to fight against it and create a corruption-free Jammu and Kashmir."

The Principal further highlighted the role of educational institutions in molding the future generation and instilling ethical values. "Educational institutions have a crucial role in shaping the character and values of our youth. We must strive to produce responsible and ethical citizens who will contribute positively to society," he added.

The inauguration ceremony set the stage for an impactful week ahead, filled with various activities aimed at promoting awareness and action against corruption.

#### Seminars by Eminent Speakers:

Throughout the "Bhrashtachar Mukt J&K Week," a series of seminars were organized, featuring distinguished personalities and experts who delivered enlightening lectures on the issue of corruption and its consequences. These sessions aimed to educate students and the wider community about the gravity of the problem and the need for collective action.

Eminent personalities from various fields, including academics, government officials, and social activists, were invited to share their insights. Their lectures covered topics such as the impact of corruption on society, the legal framework to combat corruption in Jammu and Kashmir, and the role of citizens in reporting corrupt practices.

These seminars provided a platform for open dialogue and the exchange of ideas, fostering a better understanding of the multifaceted nature of corruption and the ways to address it effectively.

## Online Quiz on "Corruption-free J&K":

On September 7<sup>th</sup>, an online quiz on the theme "Corruption-free J&K" was conducted as part of the awareness campaign. The quiz aimed to engage students and test their knowledge on the topic while encouraging them to learn more about the efforts being made to combat corruption in the region.

A total of 17 students participated in the quiz, showcasing their commitment to being informed and responsible citizens. The quiz not only assessed their knowledge but also served as a means to spark discussions on the issue among peers.

## Classroom-to-Classroom Campaign:

One of the highlights of the "Bhrashtachar Mukt J&K Week" was the innovative classroom-to-classroom campaign on "Corruption-free J&K." This initiative, held on September 8<sup>th</sup>, involved different faculty members visiting classrooms across the college campus to inform students about government initiatives and policies aimed at curbing corruption in the Union Territory.

The faculty members provided valuable insights into the various measures being taken to ensure transparency and accountability in government functions. They also encouraged students to become active participants in the fight against corruption by reporting any instances they may come across.

Slogan Writing and Display:

The concluding day of the week, September 9<sup>th</sup>, witnessed a creative and engaging activity in which students and faculty members participated enthusiastically. A slogan writing competition was organized, and the winning slogans were displayed prominently in various departments of the college campus.

The slogans, designed to inspire and motivate, carried messages emphasizing the importance of integrity, transparency, and accountability in building a prosperous and corruption-free Jammu and Kashmir. These slogans served as a visual reminder of the commitment to combating corruption at all levels of society.

#### Words of Appreciation:

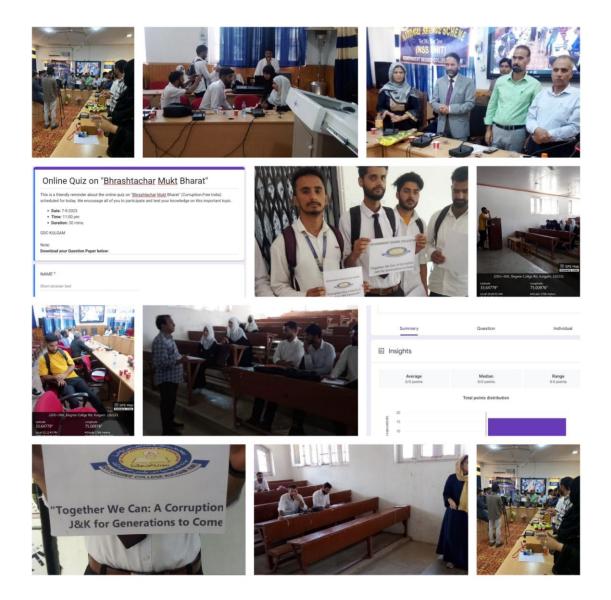
As the "Bhrashtachar Mukt J&K Week" came to a successful conclusion, Mr. Irshad Ahmad Lone, the DIAC convener of GDC Kulgam, extended his heartfelt gratitude to the entire community, especially Principal Prof. Syed Eazaz Hussain Rizvi, the dedicated faculty members, and the enthusiastic students of the college. He recognized their unwavering support and active participation in making the week a grand success.

Mr. Lone stated, "The success of this week is a testament to the collective dedication and commitment of everyone involved. We have taken significant steps in raising awareness about corruption and fostering a sense of responsibility among our students. We hope to build on this momentum and continue our efforts towards a corruption-free Jammu and Kashmir."

The "Bhrashtachar Mukt J&K Week" at GDC Kulgam served as an exemplary model of how educational institutions can play a pivotal role in addressing critical societal issues. It not only raised awareness about the detrimental effects of corruption but also inspired individuals to take action and become agents of change in their communities.

Through a series of informative seminars, interactive quizzes, educational campaigns, and creative initiatives like slogan writing, the college successfully

engaged both students and faculty in the fight against corruption. The resounding success of this week reaffirms the commitment of GDC Kulgam and its stakeholders to building a more transparent and ethical society in Jammu and Kashmir.



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