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**Report of the Seminar on *Gender Equality and Legal Rights of Women* by NSS.**

National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of the College, in collaboration with Special Cell for Women, Kulgam Organised a one day Seminar on the theme 'Gender Equality and Legal Rights of Women' on 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2022. The event started at 11:00 am and was held in the College Conference Hall. The event witnessed the participation of around 70 NSS volunteers besides members from the faculty, non teaching staff and students from various departments. The seminar was aimed at spreading awareness regarding the rights of women and promote gender equality. The proceedings of the event were formally conducted by NSS Programme Officer, Dr Safer Ahmed Bhat, who formally welcomed the guests and brought home the importance of theme. The chief guest on the occasion, Worthy Principal of the College Prof (Dr.) Manzoor Ahmad Lone presented the introductory remarks and formally inaugurated the proceedings of the seminar. He highlighted the need for acknowledging the achievements and contributions of women in different fields and referred to numerous challenges that come in the way of Gender Sensitisation and the legal rights of women thereof. It was suggested that there was an urgent need for greater awareness to help curb crimes against women.

Resource persons from the Special Cell for Women, Kulgam broadly deliberated on Gender Sensitisation and the legal rights of women. The speakers, Razia Malik and Saima Shah, highlighted the importance of Gender equality in 21<sup>st</sup> Century and defined gender equality as the very heart of human rights and United Nations values. It was inferred that despite much progress made in securing women's rights globally, millions of women and girls continued to experience discrimination and violence, being denied of their equality, dignity and autonomy, and even a life. This discrimination and violence against women and girls, deeply rooted in the fabric of societies, was persistent and systematic. Talking about the legal perspective, it was suggested that some good practices that have increased women's access to justice have been so-called one-stop shops. They integrate services and offer Women victims everything from health care and counselling to legal aid and collection of evidence in one place, reducing barriers and cost. Furthermore, the resource persons highlighted the services of Special Cell for Women in



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providing legal support to all the women of District Kulgam. The event concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Kaleeq Ahmad, Consultant at Special Cell for Women, Kulgam.

Dr. Safeer Ahmad Bhat



NSS Programme Officer

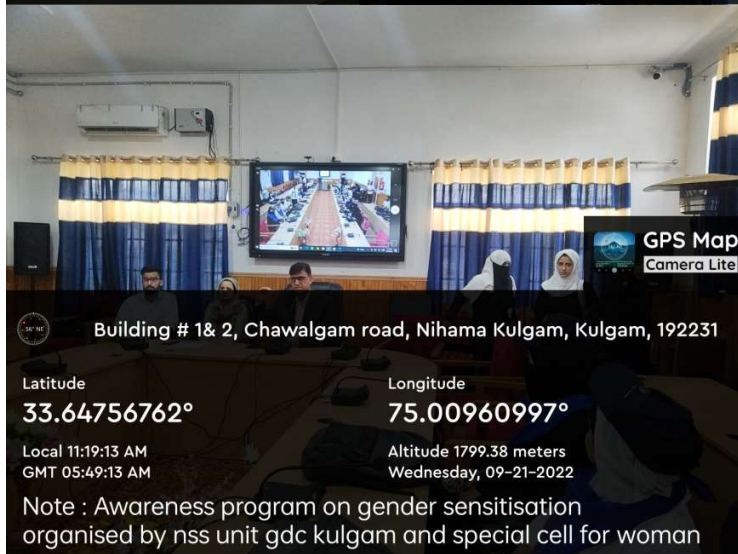
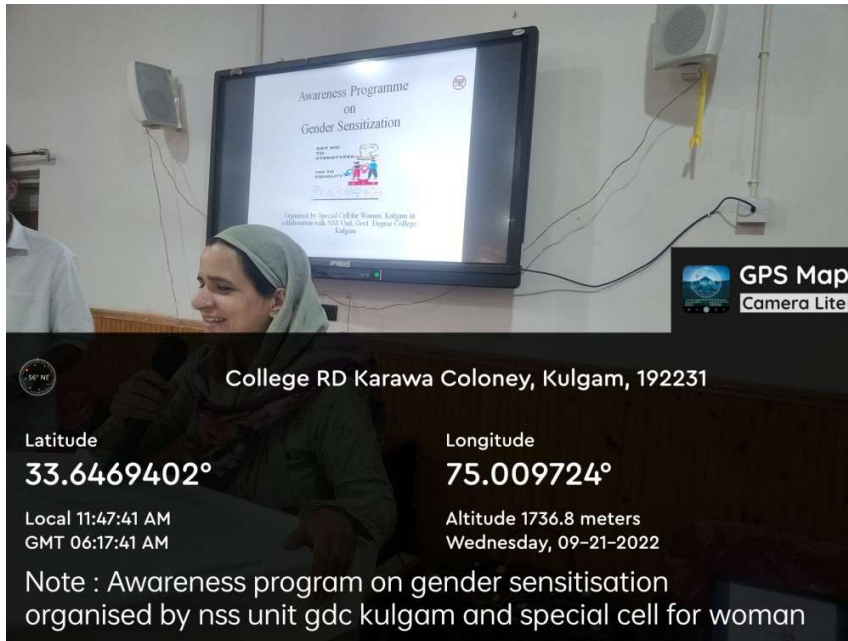
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