Women Development Cell, GPTC, Palakkad

Women Development Cell is established in our college with an aim to educate, enrich and empower woman students and staff of the college and hence to promote their general wellbeing inside and outside the campus. The objectives of the Woman Cell are (1) to create social awareness about the problems of women in general and gender discrimination in particular by means of programs like lectures, workshops and seminars and (2) to conduct skill development programmes to boost self-confidence, self- respect and personality among woman staff and students as well as for the encouragement of self-reliance among them and (3)to create legal awareness about Women Welfare Laws and 4) to create awareness about health and hygiene among female students and staff.



An interactive session on "Gynaecological Problems in Adolescent Girls" led by Dr. Sreeja V Chandran, Consultant obstetrician & gynaecologist, Govt. W&C Hospital, Palakkad, on 21st February, 2023

The Women cell of our college celebrated **THASYA -2023** - International woment's day on March 8th, 2023. The celebrations started at 9:30am with a Flash mob by our final year girl students. A formal inauguration of the celebrations was done by lighting the lamp by our own girl students. A debate on the topic "Gender equality in India: a reality or not??" was organised from 10:00 am to 11:00am and certificates were distributed to the winners. A talk on the womans day theme "DigitALL: innovation and technology for gender equality" by our beloved Principal Smt. Seema K N from 11:00am to 12:30pm.

A grand cultural fiesta was given to all our students and staff by our girl students from 1:30pm to 3:30pm. They celebrated the day with dances, songs, and thiruvathira. Our Lady staff members were also contributed to cultural programmes.

The highlight of the day was the inauguration of Scheme for Her Empowerment (SHE) programme by Honorable District Collector Dr.Chithra S, IAS at 3:30pm. She has interacted with our students and motivated them. She said that each job has its own importance and it depends on how much sincere we are in doing our job. The first edition of the newsletter "AGNEYA" prepared by our SHE coordinators, was also released by Ho. Dt. Collector Dr.Chithra. She distributed the prizes for Princess of GPTC.

The women cell honored two empowered ladies of our college - Principal Smt. Seema K.N for her great leadership in acquiring NBA accreditation to Electronics and Mechanical Departments and also Smt. Bindu C.K for leading the Electronics Engineering Department to NBA accreditation . College Union representative Udheesh gave felicitation to the program. The Cell also honored our last grade lady staff. The celebration ended at 5:00pm

Scheme for Her Empowerment (SHE) Program

The program "Scheme for Her Empowerment (SHE) is a change project initiated by the Department of Technical Education in 2023 to empower girl students of various polytechnic colleges in Kerala. The objective of this program is to develop professional excellence and personal fulfilment in our girl students. This program helps the girl students to acquire more technical and other life skills that will increase their confidence and hence equip them to be great leaders in technical fields. The SHE program will be executed in our college by identifying the technical strengths and weaknesses of our girl students and take measures to tackle their weaknesses and implement projects/training programs in a time bound productive manner





Inauguration of THASYA -2023 by our girl students





Inauguration of the Scheme for Her Empowerment Program of our college on Womens day by Hon. Dt. Collector Dr.Chithra.S IAS





Release of first edition of AGNEYA – the New Letter by Dt. Collector

Presenting memento to Dt.Collector by Principal









Counselling Cell, GPTC, Palakkad

An active counselling cell is also working in our college to facilitate the mental health of our students. The cell include two staff and two students and also on counsellor as external member. Our counselling cell is working along with 'Changathi'- a group of volunteered counselling and "Santhwanam"- a group of professional counsellors at Palakkad. Once a month full time Counsellors are available to render service to those who need help. In this academic year we have started the counselling program in October after completing all the admissions and conducted four sessions of individual counselling during November & December, 2022, February and March, 2023. For each session a group of 10 or more experienced counsellors came and interacted with the students individually.





Individual counselling sessions held in our college





Santhwanam Couselling Group members with students voluteers

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SOFT SKILL TRAINING UNDER 'SHE' PROGRAM







