Title: STREET PLAY COMPETITION ON VARIOUS ISSUES RELATING TO WOMEN

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Time: 1.00 p.m. -2.30 p.m.

Panelists:

1. Dr. Swapna Manindranath Deka, Vice-Principal, Dispur Law College.

Objective: The International Women's Day is celebrated on March 8 all over the world. Women the Epitome of law and sacrifice but is often disgraced, disrespected and suppressed by the society and unaware of their legal rights which are often violated. Therefore, in order to highlight the basic rights of the women enshrined in the Constitution of India, the IQAC, Dispur Law College on the occasion of International Women's Day arranged Street Play Competition on various issues relating to women.



Fig.1: Banner of the Street Play Competition

The titles of the street play were- 1. Domestic violence and Dowry performed by DVD Team (2) Forced Prostitution performed by Tears in Disguise group (3) Menstruation (Daag) performed by STREE.

The first play performed by DVD group was to frame and disseminate awareness, knowledge and sensation among the masses, concerning the women issues and its proper protection. Thus, legal information highlighted important Section 498-A and Section 304-B under Indian Penal Code, 1860. Further Section 113-A under Indian Evidence Act was discussed, along with Section 3 and Section 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 was discussed. Nos. of students-08



Fig.2: Play1-Domestic violence and Dowry performed by DVD Team

The second play performed by Tears in Disguise group discussed about the Vulnerability of the Women and girls who are trapped in the ring of prostitution and Exploitation by the pimps in prostitution. The Legal Concept played by this group were Section 370 of Indian Penal Code 1860, which defines human trafficking, or an act of exploiting people. Again Section 3, Section 4 and Section 6 of Immoral Traffic Prevention Act..., was discussed. Nos. of students-09



Fig.3:Play2- Forced Prostitution performed by Tears in Disguise group

The third play Menstruation (Daag) which was performed by the group STREE highlighted the fact that Menstruation inspite of being a natural and healthy process for girls and women of reproductive age, the process is associated with many taboos. The legal aspects, which was played by this group, was Article 47 of Directive Principle of State Policies which direct the state to raise standard of living and to improve public health as among its primary duties. No. of students-09



Fig.4: Menstruation (Daag) performed by STREET group

The Section 509 of Indian Penal Code was also discussed which lays down the punishment for obscene acts, gesture or words in public indecent body language, and negative comments directed at any women or girl.



Fig.5: The winning team of the Competition

The Street Plays were held at Last Gate, Dispur with a wide media coverage by channel ND24 and published in regional Newspaper Amar Asom. The first play performed by DVD Team was awarded the 1st position with a Trophy and cash prize of Rs. 5000.

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