

## **Report on the Legal Outreach Program**

### ***Overview***

*On 26th June, 2024, the students of Vidyavardhaka Law College, Mysuru conducted a Legal Outreach Program creating General Legal Awareness for the students of class 8 of Rotary West School, Saraswathipuram. The session, focused on crucial topics like drugs and tobacco abuse, cyber crimes, women safety, and bullying, aimed to educate and sensitise young minds about these pressing issues.*

### **Names of the Student Representatives**

- 1) Vikas K
- 2) Sumantha C
- 3) Swathi I G
- 4) Yashasvini B R
- 5) Yashwanth M M
- 6) Yashwanth M
- 7) Srujana Dev
- 8) Supriya
- 9) Vinutha B C
- 10) Vasanth Kumar K
- 11) Thanushree K M
- 12) Thanushree K S
- 13) Trisha K A

### **The Welcome Address**

The program commenced at 3 pm with a warm welcome by Mrs. Poornima, the Principal of Rotary West School. She introduced the guest speakers and emphasized the importance of legal awareness and safety for students.

#### ***1. Drugs and Tobacco Abuse:***

Mr. Vikas K, a final-year law student, addressed the gathering on the severe impacts of drugs, tobacco, and nicotine. He highlighted the detrimental effects these substances have on general health and fertility. Mr. Vikas strongly advised students to stay away from such harmful habits and provided insights into the long-term consequences of substance abuse.

#### ***2. Cyber Crimes and Women's Safety:***

Mr. Sumanth C spoke about the growing concern of cyber crimes, especially those involving minors. He explained the various forms of cyber crimes, including hacking, identity theft, and online bullying. Mr. Sumanth also discussed the negative impact of trolling on women's mental health, urging students to use the internet responsibly and to be aware of online safety measures.

#### ***3. Bullying:***

Mr. Yashwanth M and Ms. Trisha K.A focused on the prevalent issue of bullying among high school students. They explained the different forms of bullying, including physical, verbal, and cyberbullying. They also discussed the emotional and psychological effects bullying can have on victims and emphasized the importance of creating a supportive and respectful school environment.

### ***The Question and Answer Session***

Following the presentations, a question and answer session was held, where students actively participated and posed various questions to the speakers. The interactive session provided clarity on many doubts and reinforced the importance of legal awareness.

### ***The conclusion of the program***

The program concluded at 4 pm, leaving the students more informed and aware of the critical issues discussed. The initiative by the Vidyavardhaka Law College was well-received and appreciated by the students and staff of Rotary West School.



