

TALK ON 'MATERIALISM, INVOLUTION & THE WORLD VIEW' ON NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

The Legal Aid Centre in collaboration with Training and Placement Cell had organized Talk on 'Materialism, Involution & the World View' on January 11, 2019 on the eve of National Youth Day wherein Dr Eswaran engaged in a rejuvenating Talk with the learners of S.L.S. NOIDA

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1. Concept Note:

The Legal Aid Centre in collaboration with Training and Placement Cell had organized Talk on 'Materialism, Involution & the World View' on January 11, 2019 on the eve of National Youth Day (being celebrated on January 12, 2019).

We're all materialists, to one extent or another. We all use and enjoy material goods in our daily lives, and most of us simply couldn't get by without them. And there's nothing wrong with that, as long as the desire for material goods doesn't control us and our actions. To eliminate this kind of narrow thinking amongst the youth, LAC SLS NOIDA grabbed the opportunity of National Youth Day that was upcoming and organized this talk to sensitize the students of SLS NOIDA of the same.

2. Objective:

The main objectives of this talk of the Legal Aid Centre of SLS- NOIDA are as follows:

- To empower the students to be able to look at their life with a different and broader perspective.
- To enable the students to not only flourish in national industry, but also across international borders.

- To make the students responsible and aware of the duties and responsibilities of themselves as a valuable citizen to be able to represent its nation internationally.

3. Preliminary Preparations:

- Seeking permission of the director of SLS NOIDA to conduct such a talk in the seminar hall of the campus.
- Making various other arrangements like arranging for the projector, cameraman and the mic.
- Making a list of all the interested students that were going to be a part of this interaction.

4. Conducting the program:

The director of SLS NOIDA, Dr. C J Rawandale, was co-operative and kind enough to agree to grant permission to conduct this talk in the seminar hall and give the privilege of excused attendance to the students for the lectures missed on account of this seminar. Mr. Shashwat Patwa, Co-convener of LAC, travelled to Dr. Eswaran's residence at 6:00 am to pick him up in the car. To initiate the interaction, Dr. Eswaran started by shooting a general question at the audience about what they understand by the topic. Many answers came up that looked at the topic from various perspectives. He kept the crowds enthusiasm intact by making the students chant motivational phrases together, such as "Jawanon! Udo, aur udna seekho, magar dono

paav ho zameen par” (Young students! Fly and learn to fly, but with your feet on the ground). He made them repeat inspirational quotes after him and intoned some shayaris and old classical songs to pick up from its lyrics, some beautiful and thought-provoking ideas and notions about the various things in life that one comes across, be it success, failure, ecstasy, depression, arrogance, humbleness and the likewise abstract feelings.

5. Response of the target population:

From the beginning of the seminar, Dr. Eswaran kept the audience interacting with him with a tinge of humor. The audience was deeply engrossed in the talk as he was trying to make the audience to put in their ideas more than what he would actually elaborate on the topic, and then add his perception to the context. Hence, it was quite an interactive involving more of dialogues and less of monologues. The students were buoyed up when the rest of them gave a round of applause for the different ideas that each one shared. The overall response of the audience was very encouraging and people whole heartedly participated in the discussions.

6. Future plan of action:

One session is not enough to make the target population aware and motivated of topic chosen in entirety. Dr. Eswaran could only provide them with a basic structure and an impetus to look forward to a change for a better nation tomorrow. The implementation of the wise thoughts

propounded still lies in the hands of the youth. I think more programmes like these should be organized in future so that the people can have a clearer idea and have a greater understanding of the topics.

7. Suggestions/Feedback:

A gist of the feedback of the talk would involve the active involvement and participation of most of the students present in the discussion and interaction with the highly qualified and honorable resource person Dr. Eswaran. Even two hours felt very little to grab more and more knowledge from such a great person.

8. Conclusion/Remarks:

Overall this was a great experience and learning process. It felt very satisfying to see the target audience leaving with a thankful smile to have them motivated and guided towards a right path and have them empowered with knowledge and a different and unique perspective than what the general public tends to have. Moreover, due to the small size of the target population, Dr. Eswaran was able to interact on a one-on-one basis which was of great help to the target audience.

Moments Captured:



