

# LEGAL AID EVENT (WINTER) ON AWARENESS ON WOMEN'S RIGHTS

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## ***CONCEPT NOTE***

**The Legal Aid Centre at Symbiosis Law School, NOIDA conducted various awareness programme to sensitize the society towards different legal and social issues. As an extension of the above initiative, I, student of the law school and a volunteer at Legal Aid Centre conducted a program at Kolkata, West Bengal on the 10th Of December in association with Swayam- an NGO for Women's Rights to make known to the marginalised women of the society their rights under the broader Human Rights Doctrine and addressing various issues regarding Human Rights in general.**

# OBJECTIVES

The main objective of the Legal Aid Centre of SLS- NOIDA was to remind the society about their fundamental rights and moral duties. In order to achieve the ultimate goal, interlocutory measures were undertaken.

1. To make known to women their social and legal rights.
2. To make known to the victims of domestic violence, provisions of the *Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005*.
3. To educate them as to how to approach both governmental and non-governmental redressal mechanism organisations.
4. To address various other social issues concerning women and their development.
5. Addressing issues relating to Human Rights in General.

# PRELIMINARY PREPARATIONS.

Before conducting the event few important preparations were made;

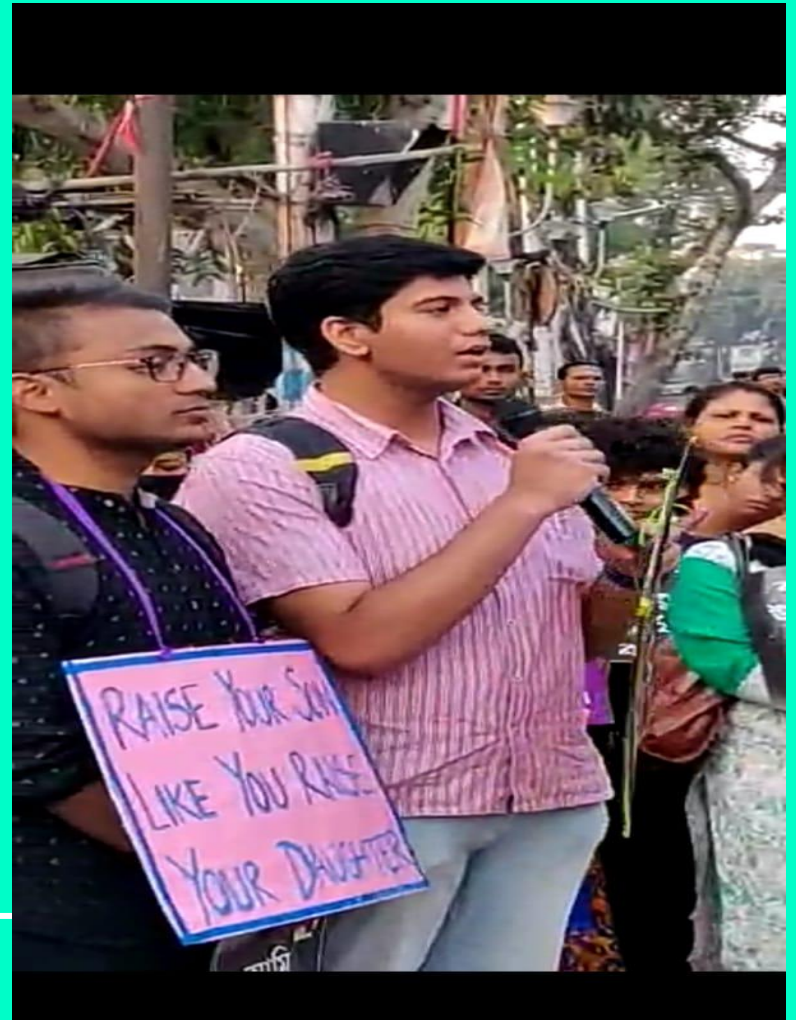
- a) Collaborating and planning out event with NGO SWAYAM.
- b) Contacting various women's rights activist and getting their insight into the same.
- c) Preparing Banners and practising the songs were going to sing.
- d) Ask for police permission to hold event at Hazra More.
- e) Visit Human Rights Awareness Programme at Nandan in front of Victoria Memorial in Kolkata.

# INTRODUCTION TO THE EVENT

Celebrating the International Human Rights Day on the 10th of December, I on behalf of the Legal Aid Centre at SLS, NOIDA conducted an awareness camp on Human Rights, with special emphasis on Women's Rights in collaboration with the NGO Swayam, in the city of Kolkata. The event was at the backdrop of the ghastly crime against humanity in Hyderabad, where a woman was raped and burned alive.



In the event we talked about the basic rights that women have and how they are not quite in practise when an attempt to enforce them is made. We also raised a voice about the various impediments that women have to face in their quest for Justice.

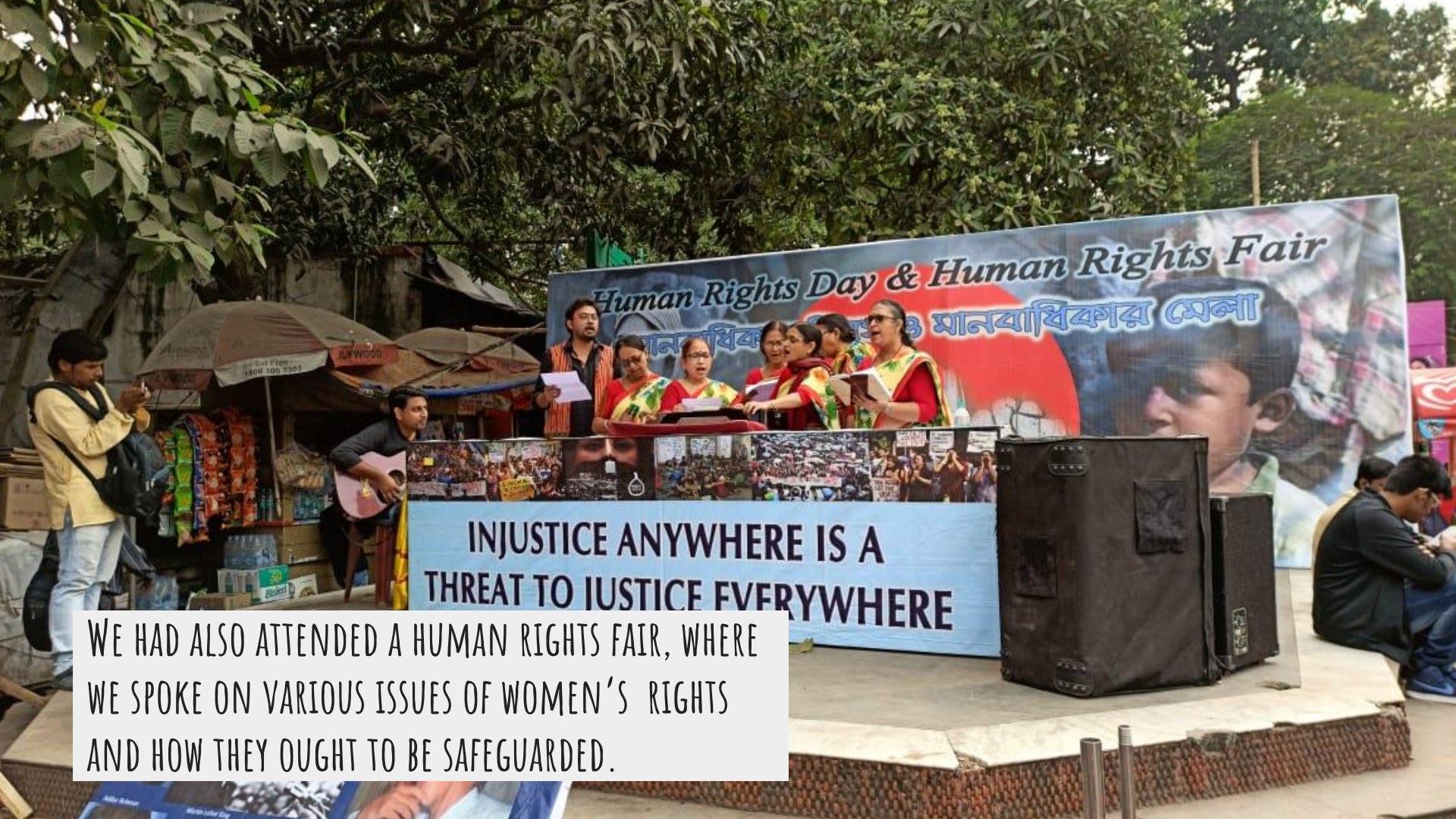


VARIOUS PROMINENT WOMEN IN THE CITY ALSO SPOKE ABOUT THE ISSUE. THE NGO ALSO MADE VARIOUS PLACARDS WITH SMALL MESSAGES IN BOTH ENGLISH AND VERNACULAR LANGUAGES TRYING TO APPRISE THE COMMON PEOPLE ON THE ROAD, ABOUT THE ISSUE OF SAFETY OF WOMEN AND THE VARIOUS RIGHTS WOMEN HAVE. THUS, AN ATTEMPT EVEN THOUGH IN THE SMALLEST WAY POSSIBLE WAS MADE TO CHANGE THE MINDSET OF THE SOCIETY TO A PROGRESSIVE ONE WHERE EACH AND EVERY HUMAN BEING IRRESPECTIVE OF ONE'S GENDER IS RESPECTED.

Respect and honour all human beings irrespective of their religion, color, race, sex, language, status, property, birth, profession/job and so on.

Quran [17/70]





Human Rights Day & Human Rights Fair  
মানবাধিকার দিবস ও মানবাধিকার মেলা

INJUSTICE ANYWHERE IS A  
THREAT TO JUSTICE EVERYWHERE

WE HAD ALSO ATTENDED A HUMAN RIGHTS FAIR, WHERE WE SPOKE ON VARIOUS ISSUES OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND HOW THEY OUGHT TO BE SAFEGUARDED.



# Human Purpose

CONDUCTING THE EVENT REALLY ENRICHED ME AS A PERSON BY IT WIDENED MY OUTLOOK. MY BEST TAKEAWAY WAS THE FACT THAT I HAD WAS THE FACT THAT, FROM A VERY YOUNG AGE WE LEARN A LOT OF GENDER STEREOTYPES WHICH HAVE NO PLACE IN THE SOCIETY, OUR PRINCIPLE DUTY AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AGENTS OF CHANGE LIE IN UNLEARNING ALL THE WRONG THINGS WE LEARNED AND BE ACCEPTING TO A OCEAN OF IDEAS.

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