

"LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMMES: CYBER BULLYING, CYBER CRIMES AND DATING ABUSE"

(Report on the events conducted in Bikaner on 27th December, 2019)

Abstract: Legal Awareness Event was conducted by member of the Legal Aid Centre, S.L.S. NOIDA at AFWWA, 46 Wing, Bikaner on 27th December. The event basically focused on creating awareness among the wards of defence personals about the issues relating to cyber crimes and dating abuse and preventive measures they can take to avoid such issues.

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I. Concept Note

The advancement of technology has made man dependent on Internet for all his needs. Internet has given man easy access to everything while sitting at one place. Social networking, online shopping, storing data, gaming, online studying, online jobs, every possible thing that man can think of can be done through the medium of internet. Internet is used in almost every sphere. With the development of the internet and its related benefits also developed the concept of cyber crimes. Cyber crimes are committed in different forms. The advancement of technology has made man dependent on Internet for all his needs. With the development of the internet and its related benefits also developed the concept of cyber crimes. Cyber crimes are committed in different forms.

A few years back, there was lack of awareness about the crimes that could be committed through internet. In the matters of cyber crimes, India is also not far behind the other countries where the rate of incidence of cyber crimes is also increasing day by day. Cyber crime is a broad term that is used to define criminal activity in which computers or computer networks are a tool, a target, or a place of criminal activity and include everything from electronic cracking to denial of service attacks. It also covers the traditional crimes in which computers or networks are used to enable the illicit activity.

Cyber crimes are a new class of crimes which are increasing day by day due to extensive use of internet these days. To combat the crimes related to internet The Information Technology Act, 2000 was enacted with prime objective to create an enabling environment for commercial use of I.T. The IT Act specifies the acts which have been made punishable. The Indian Penal Code, 1860 has also been amended to take into its purview cyber crimes.

Dating abuse is controlling, abusive, and aggressive behavior in a romantic relationship. It can happen in straight or gay relationships. It can include verbal, emotional, physical, or sexual abuse, or a combination. dating violence is violence that occurs when teens are in an intimate relationship and it has both short-term as well as long-term consequences. While it's commonly reported in the West, it's a matter of concern in India too with more and more young people getting into relationships at an early age. What's disturbing is that patterns of dating violence . However, with most teens hiding the fact that they may be victims of such violence or even unaware of the magnitude of the issue, parents are often not aware of what's happening. Dating violence can affect both boys and girls irrespective of what their culture, socio-economic background or sexual orientation.

II. Objectives

The main objective of the event was to make the children aware about different issues

like cybercrimes and dating abuse. Also, to make them understand that they can use different methods to tackle this issue. The major objectives are-

1. Create awareness among the wards of Air personals about different modern day crimes .
2. To make them understand what different methods can be adapted by them to avoid such crimes.
3. Also to tell them how they can deal with such a situation if they find themselves in it.

III. Preliminary Preparations

Before conducting the event,

- Selected Air Force Wives Welfare Association(AFWWA) at Air Force Station, 46 Wing Nal, Bikaner as the location for my event as a means to spread awareness among the children of Air Force personals.
- Did a research on the current status of the cyber crimes in India and gained permission from the Air Force authorities in Bikaner to carry out the event at AFFWA.

IV. Conducting the Event

After receiving the permission from the Air Force authority to conduct the event at AFFWA, 46 Wing. I went there with my presentation and ensured that the children became aware of such issues. The presentation focused on different issues which are common among the kids which are cyber crimes and dating abuse. The presentation further focused on dating abuse which can occur in subtle forms as well where the behavior of a person changes due to influence of their partners. Then I went into the in depth analysis of dating abuse and its nuances. I also explained how one can escape from the clutches of such abuse by asking for help, avoid getting influenced by peer pressure, remedies for physical and mental abuse, etc. The legal implications of such actions were also explained in detail. The event was targeted on the age group of 14 - 17 years as it dealt with the issue of dating abuse.

V. Response of the Target Population

After completion of the event conducted on both occasion the response received was quite good. AFFWA has requested that such event be conducted even in the future. They have considered this event to be very informative and have requested that such an event be held if I find myself in Bikaner. In conversation with the kids I found that

many of them are on various social platform from I very young age. I guided them and made them aware as to how they can avoid such situations and how the shouldn't share the personnel information on social networking sites and the measures they can follow if the find themselves if they are being targeted. Overall, people were responsive and showed interest in talking to me.

VI. Future Plan of Action

As a similar event had already been conducted during the last vacations the crowd consisted of mixed audience some of them were to an extent aware about it. Moreover as the Air Force is already treating the issue of cyber crimes as one of the major issue since it also affects the security of the force so it has taken various campaign. There needs to be more awareness programmes to inform the teens about the evils of drug abuse. Schools and collages should be targeted to create more awareness.

VII. Suggestions/Feedback

Recommendation Letter- The Legal Aid Cell could provide a letter of Recommendation/Authorisation so that the people could believe our position as members at an esteemed institute and we get permission to conduct events easily.

VIII. Concluding Remarks

Overall the people were responsive and inquisitive. They wanted to get their doubts cleared. They promised me not to share their intimate details on social networking sites. They also promised that they will get their family and friends involved if they find themselves in such a situation . In my opinion the event was a success. It was extremely satisfying to engage in a debate about the complications of awareness of this issue.

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