

2022-2023.

College Women Development Cell, Emphasize on creating awareness about the issues faced by women in particular regarding gender discrimination, throwing light on the importance of economic, emotional, social, racial, and gender equality, and seeks to eliminate deeply entrenched beliefs of sexist prejudice and patriarchal unfairness, to comprehend the different types of violence and amassing knowledge and strength to fight them, administer year-round advocacy programs to educate students on women's social, legal and constitutional rights to prevent gender-based exploitation.

Partnering with Akshara NGO, A year long program named as "Youth For Change Program", through interactive workshops and activities that empower and enlighten young minds to become better humans and promote gender sensitivity, creating an egalitarian campus and society.

COSTUME PLAY COMPETITION.

We started our year with Costume Play on August 13, 2022, themed under Female Achievers of India Since Independence, to celebrate 'Azadi ka Amrit Mohotsav' and educating students about the inspiring Indian Women and their Achievements, The event could highlight the role women's have been playing in contribution to Indian History, this could motivate the female students to become high achievers and could induce patriotism in all students.

FLÂNEUR ET FEST.

Organized on October 8th, to enhance on the student's entrepreneurial and managerial skills, putting an emphasis on 'Women's Empowerment', offering student's platform to earn, learn and have fun, while making them financially foresighted and wise, tough competition was witnessed among students, more than 25 stalls were organized, Enthusiastic Participation was witnessed.

TALK CUM DEMONSTRATION SESSION ON SELF DEFENCE

On 19th October, Resource Person Pawan Semwal was invited to engage with students Enhancing awareness on self-defence training to improve situational awareness, To provide knowledge about the different tips of self-protection Increased curiosity amongst the students regarding Self-defence irrespective of gender, they could learn basic tricks to fight back in harassing situation.

POSTER MAKING COMPETITION.

Organized on 3rd October 2022, To give students an understanding of the milieu of Gender in the society and the disparity that is running wide in our society, to Provide visual, colourful, simple ways to communicate about Gender Disparity. Top 3 artistic posters were awarded certificates.

YUVA-YUKATI MELA.

On 17th December, 2022 Students In Collaboration with Akshara NGO Organized Yuva Yukti Mela, The objective of the mela was to create awareness amongst the youth about the gender-specific roles, how the roles could be shared and how these are equally important for all genders to know and perform. Aiming at raising awareness of the values of gender equality on campus. Students could understand the responsibility an individual holds, and how equal cooperation can help in creating a considerate youth, we could have a discussion on stereotyping and generalization faced in society today, and ways to overcome the barrier between gender-specific roles.

SEMINAR ON PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT AND MENSTRUAL HYGIENE.

On 20th December, 2022 An Awareness Program, Educating Female students regarding menstrual hygiene and how it connects to one's Holistic well-being. Various health issues emerge from Unhealthy menstrual practices and how one can maintain healthy menstrual days thereby being overall healthy, tips & tricks on Personality Development & Interview preparation were also given and how confidence plays an important role, students could clear their doubts and could have sense of clarity about interview preparations.

“MAIN HOON NA” CAMPAIGN”.

Students volunteered in the awareness campaign organized by Akshara NGO in collaboration with Railway Protection Force, at CST railway station, the program was enlightened by presence of DIG Naresh Jadhav with his Special

Team and Faculties from Saint George Hospital, students from over 25 colleges of Mumbai university with the crowd present at CST Station witnessed a street play presented by Akshara's team through which the broadcast the objectives of drama under the tagline " jab bhi kare koi ched-chaad, yaad rakhna Main Hoon Na tumhare saath."

Expressing how girls

shouldn't be left alone to face the world and should how women take action against all wrong doers, following the program a demo session was presented by students led by Anjana Ajimon TYBA, on how sexual harassment takes place in public places and almost every girl student has once undergone such situation and finally culminating to take New Year's Pledge, "Don't Ignore Sexual Harassment- Recognize, Interrupt, Intervene and Report It."

WORKSHOP ON GENDER RIGHTS.

Intercollege workshop on 'Are we really equal?' was organized by AksharaNGO on 2nd February 2023, to sensitise the youth on gender equality and citizenship through exploration of relationship with self, families, friends, romantic partners, community, and the state, Students could learn about Importance of equality and the society as a whole, where gender roles are defined and what as a student one can do to break the chains of disparity.

Y-TALK BY AKSHARA.

This was the year end event of Akshara, where in Rizvi College of Arts, Science & Commerce, following the legacy of holding first position in Song Rewrite Competition, Also Best Peer Guide For year 2021-22 was awarded to Anjana Ajimon, And This Year the upgrade we witnessed was Indeed Splendid, We Won The Best College Of The Year Award out of over 25 Colleges across Mumbai like St'Xaviers, Mithibai, Wilson, SIES, SK'Somaiya, RD National And all other colleges partnered with Akshara NGO for academic year 2022-2023.

The YTalks Youth Fest 2023, held on 22nd February 2023, at Sree Narayana Guru College of Commerce in Chembur, a collaborative event with National Social Service, Mumbai University, Sree Narayan Guru College of Commerce & Women Development Cell - Y Talks - the Ultimate Youth Festival! From fun one-minute games that broke gender stereotypes, to spectacular performances that gave everyone goosebumps, inspiring speeches that made us emotional, insightful workshops that were eye-opening and an energizing live performance to end the day, with over 52 colleges and 1000 students

participating, the energy and enthusiasm in the air were contagious, and we felt compelled to create change in our communities

WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION.

On 8th March 2023, On the occasion of International Women's Day, State Women Commission organized an event named "Jagar Srittvaacha, Sammaan Kartutvaacha", where in Rizvi College's Women Development Cell was invited at Balgandharva Rangmandir, Bandra West, On this auspicious day we had with us Chairperson Of SWC, Rupali Chakankar, she addressed about how women have been in the forefront of the various fields today specifically their role in politics, also not just in politics but other developmental fields, and how they are paving way for other women of the society and Dynamic Leader Shri. Sharadchandraji Pawar Saheb. He not only cited the methods to combat inequality, but also inspired women to speak up for themselves and take action, and he stressed the significance of women's power.

This Women's Day happened to be extremely pleasant for us to be the invitee of the spectacular events, On 9th March, 2023, we were invited to the Women's Day Program Organized by Management Of Our College at Rizvi Law College, we were felicitated by President Akhtar Hasan Rizvi And Director Mrs. Rubina Akhtar Hasan Rizvi for our Accomplishing Performance Throughout the Year 2022-2023.

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Greetings from Akshara

Congratulations to Rizvi college!

We are extremely happy to announce that Akshara Centre (Youth For Change) has awarded the best college to Rizvi College of Arts Commerce and Science, Bandra for the year 2022-2023.

Akshara Centre appreciates and values the long term association with Rizvi College. This year we collaborated through the WDC wing of Rizvi college for our yearlong programme YOUTH FOR CHANGE (YCP)

The Program officer Shaikh Shahida was very proactive and supportive. This was evident through the student's participation and zeal for all our events and workshops. The college also hosted one workshop in their premises on Gender on 2nd February 2023. There were 12 colleges from across Mumbai and 123 students who attended the workshop. Also held Yuvati Yuvak Mela in College premises and that was a huge success of Students.

Apart from Youth for Change program the volunteers were a part of several Akshara events and campaigns as well and learned a lot. Our heartfelt thanks to Shaikh Shahida Maam for her support and guidance. Her presence is a huge motivator for all the students and our team.

Thank You
Akshara Team

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Students involve in Social Action against Sexual Haressment





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