

AIDS DAY PROGRAMME ORGANISED BY CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ON 1ST DECEMBER, 2021

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The centre for Human Rights of Mar Gregorios College of Law, Trivandrum had organised various programmes on the 1st of December, 2021, which is observed as World AIDS Day. As part of the programme, AIDS awareness badges (Red Ribbons) were distributed to all the students, faculty members and other staffs in the college. To create awareness among the students and to commemorate the World AIDS Day, a flash mob was also organised, wherein at the end of the flash mob students had exhibited posters to express solidarity with AIDS patients across the World and seeking to end discrimination shown towards them. Also posters expressing solidarity with AIDS patients across the world were also put up near the college corridors, wherein the posters also reflected this year's theme 'End Inequalities, END AIDS'. An awareness lecture on 'How to control AIDS' was also organised as part of the AIDS day programme, where the lecture was given by Dr.Aarathi Dev, Clinical Psychologist, Govt Taluk Hospital, Ranni, Pathanamthitta.

World AIDS Day, designated on 1 December every year since 1988, is an international day dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection and mourning those who have died of the disease. World AIDS Day is one of the eleven official global public health campaigns marked by the World Health Organization (WHO). A primary goal of World AIDS Day activities is the distribution of information. A major international symbol of World AIDS Day is the red ribbon, worn as a demonstration of commitment to the fight against AIDS. All the World AIDS Day campaigns focus on a specific theme, chosen following consultations with UNAIDS, WHO, and a large number of grassroots, national and international agencies involved in the prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS. This year the theme for World AIDS day was 'End Inequalities, END AIDS'. The themes are not limited to a single day but are used year-round in international efforts to highlight HIV/AIDS awareness.

The AIDS day awareness lecture started at 11:00 AM in the morning. The compere of the session was Ms.Bipasha Manoj, student of Mar Gregorios College of Law. The session started with a welcome address by Ms. Aleena Johnson student representative of Centre for Human Rights.

The guest speaker started off the session tracing the early origin of HIV Infection among people. She had also addressed on various preventive measures which could be taken so as to prevent the spread of HIV infection among partners. She had also mentioned the routes of the infection in India, and when the infection was first reported in India and in which state. Finally the discussion ended up with a question and answer round, wherein the students had asked many doubts regarding the transmission the disease from one person to another.



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**AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON
WORLD AIDS DAY**

DEC 1, 2021 11:00 AM

VENUE: SEMINAR HALL



**WORLD
AIDS
DAY**

END INEQUALITIES, END AIDS

Guest Speaker



Dr. Aarathi Dev

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