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A National Seminar

on

CRIME AGAINST WOMEN: THE 'DEVI' VIOLATED

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Nestled in the lap of nature and housed in a heritage building, the Centre of Excellence, Govt. College Sanjauli, Shimla, HP, has been providing an academically and intellectually stimulating environment to the students.

Situated in the heart of the city, this college has a long tradition of excellence. The institute carries a legacy of teaching and learning, as in its initial days, it was an "industrial orphanage" named, "Himalayan Christina Orphanage and Industrial School for female orphans." It was upgraded during the pre-independence days to B.Ed/B.T. College for girls, affiliated to Punjab University.

Since 1969, this college has been catering to the needs of the students from the length and breadth of Himachal Pradesh. The college was given the honorary status of "Centre of Excellence" in the year 2006 and earned a B+ grade from NAAC in the year 2017.

About the Seminar:

Devi, the divine feminine has the strongest presence in Hinduism. From ancient times to the present, she is worshiped as 'Durga' in nine manifestations. She is known as the vanquisher of demons and devils. 'Saraswati', 'Shakti', 'Laxmi' and 'Kamakhya', she is the powerhouse of knowledge, power, wealth and procreation.

Today, we find the 'Devi' being violated everywhere. History is replete with evidence of discrimination against women. In modern times, this discrimination finds expression in inequality and oppression. She is subjected to various kinds of violence- physical, emotional, financial and psychological. Patriarchy forms the bedrock for this unequal treatment.

The social construct of 'Devi' for Indian women seems to be a ploy to control her through the shackles of patriarchy. Women prefer to be treated with respect and as equals rather than being exalted to the position of "Devi".

Objectives of the Seminar:

The seminar seeks to answer certain pertinent questions related to women's dignity, position and power or the absence of it. Does the Indian woman really want to be venerated as 'Devi'? Does being called a ''Devi' provide her with a sense of dignity and security? Does it put an end to violence and abuse? Crimes against women are on the rise, becoming more heinous with each passing year. The examples of ***Nirbhaya and Gudiya*** haven't left our minds. Gender based violence hinders women's empowerment and gender equality. Women are not only subjected to violence outside the confines of the home, they are also exposed to familial and societal exploitation. The personal is the political. The seminar hopes to initiate dialogue in an evolving climate where things seem to have changed but are still the same in many ways.

Sub-Themes:

The Sub-Themes of the Seminar are as under: -

1. ***'Dayan Pratha'*, an amalgamation of patriarchy and superstition.**
2. **Cyber-crime against women and its prevention.**
3. **Infertility in women: who is to be blamed?**
4. **Violence against women.**
5. **Deification and demonization of women.**
6. **Reproductive rights of women.**
7. **Sexuality and social stigma.**
8. **Rape culture in India.**
9. **Honour and women.**
10. **Gender preference.**
11. **Women entrepreneurs in rising India.**
12. **Education and women empowerment.**
13. **Female labour and economy.**
14. **Women in literature and media.**
15. **Women and the 'culture-trap'.**

The above sub-themes are indicative. Scholars are free to present papers on other relevant issues pertaining to the theme of the conference.

Call for Papers:

We invite teachers, researchers, academicians, research scholars and representatives of civil society to submit their abstracts and full length research papers, articles and case studies in English and Hindi on the theme and sub-themes of the seminar.

Guidelines for Abstracts and Papers:

The abstract should be limited to a maximum of 250 words (accompanied by 5 key words). The full length paper, based on original research, should be between 3000-4000 words. The abstracts and full-length research papers should be submitted in MS-Word (Times New Roman, font size 12 & Line Spacing of 1.5) at smlat20seminar@gmail.com by 15th August, 2021. The abstracts and papers in Hindi should be typed in 'Kruti Dev' with the font size 14 and line spacing of 1.5.

The title on the cover page should be in font size 16 bearing the author's name, email and mobile number.

Important Dates:

- Notification of Seminar 28th July, 2021.
- Last date for submission of abstracts: 15th August, 2021
- Last date for submission of full length paper: 20th August, 2021

Travel and Accommodation:

Accommodation will be provided to the interested participants on payment basis and subject to availability.

No TA/DA is admissible.

Registration Fee:

Payment should be made online through NEFT/RTGS/IMPS at:

Bank Name: **HIMACHAL PRDESH CO-OP. BANK LTD.**

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Registration Fee:

Categories	Before 15th August, 2021	On the spot
Faculty/Teachers	Rs.1000/-	Rs. 1500
Research Scholars/Students	Rs. 500/-	Rs. 700

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