

REPORT ON CAREER GUIDANCE AND ANTI-DRUG AWARENESS WORKSHOP HELD AT GSSS LAHAT

Topic 1: *The Impact of Drugs on Adolescent Lives and the Crucial Role of Education in Combating This Challenge*

Topic 2: *Career Opportunities After 12th Class*

Date: 17th December 2024

Venue: GSSS Lahat

Audience: Students of Classes 11-12, Teachers, and Staff

Speaker(s): 1. Prof. Shikha Dharwal (Assistant Professor of Commerce)
2. Dr. Neetika Sharma (Assistant Professor of commerce)

Organized By: Govt. Degree College Shivnagar, District Kangra H.P 176086

Introduction

A significant workshop on *Career Guidance after Class XII and Anti-Drug Awareness among Adolescents was conducted at Government Senior Secondary School (GSSS) Lahat on December 17, 2024. This program was organized under the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Government Degree College (GDC) Shivnagar and neighboring schools. In this workshop, Dr. Neetika Sharma and Prof. Shikha Dharwal from Government Degree College Shivnagar provided valuable guidance to the students through their insightful sessions. The workshop aimed to provide clarity about career options after Class XII and to create awareness about the growing issue of substance abuse among adolescents. 25 students from school participated in the workshop.

Session 1: The Impact of Drugs on Adolescent Lives and the Role of Education

Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of Commerce Prof. Shikha Dharwal, addressed the critical issue of substance abuse, explaining its physical, mental, and social consequences. Using real-life examples and interactive discussions, she sensitized students to make informed decisions and avoid negative influences. The session aimed to educate and inspire young minds, equipping them with knowledge and guidance to make informed decisions.

Key Points Discussed:

- **Understanding Drug Abuse:** The speaker explained what drugs are, their types, and how adolescents are often influenced due to peer pressure, curiosity, or social media exposure.
- **Impact on Health and Future:** The physical, mental, and emotional consequences of drug addiction were highlighted, including its effects on academic performance, family relationships, and personal goals.

- **Role of Education:** Emphasis was placed on how schools and teachers can play a critical role in educating students about the dangers of drug use. Educational programs, counseling sessions, and awareness drives were discussed as key strategies.
- **Preventive Measures:** Students were encouraged to practice self-discipline, build strong support systems with family and friends, and seek professional help when needed.

Key Takeaway: Education is the strongest tool to combat drug abuse, as it empowers adolescents to make positive life choices and resist negative influences.

Some glimpses of the event:



Session 2: Career Opportunities After 12th Class

Assistant Professor in the Department of Commerce, gave a detailed presentation on various career pathways, including higher education opportunities, professional courses, and competitive examinations. She encouraged students to plan their future wisely and choose careers aligned with their interests and skills.

Key Points Discussed:

- **Traditional and Non-Traditional Careers:** The speaker elaborated on opportunities in Science, Commerce, and Humanities streams. They introduced fields like engineering, medical sciences, business management, law, arts, and design.

- **Vocational Courses:** Students were made aware of diploma programs, skill-based certifications, and ITI courses as alternatives to conventional degrees.
- **Emerging Careers:** The growing importance of careers in technology, artificial intelligence, digital marketing, content creation, and data science was highlighted.
- **Guidance on Entrance Exams:** Information on key entrance exams like NEET, JEE, CLAT, CA, and NIFT was provided.
- **Tips for Decision-Making:** Students were encouraged to identify their interests, research career options, and seek guidance from mentors, counselors, and teachers.

Key Takeaway: With the right knowledge and preparation, students can make informed decisions and pursue fulfilling careers after Class 12.

Some glimpses of the event:



Conclusion

The workshop witnessed enthusiastic participation from the students and teachers of GSSS Lahat, who appreciated the efforts of GDC Shivnagar for supporting the academic and personal development of school students. The collaborative initiative was widely praised for fostering awareness and empowering adolescents to make better decisions for their future.

Principal Dr. Sangeeta Singh of Government Degree College Shivnagar reaffirmed the college's commitment to strengthening its academic partnership with neighboring schools. She emphasized that such workshops would continue to be organized to ensure the holistic development and proper guidance of young learners.

The program concluded with a vote of thanks. The students expressed gratitude for the opportunity to gain valuable knowledge and awareness from the sessions. The event proved to be a significant step toward creating awareness about drug prevention and empowering students to explore diverse career opportunities.

News Highlights:

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