

History Field Trips









Andhra Christian College::Guntur

Department of History

Seminar Report: A View on 18th and 19th Century Social Reforms in India on Gender Sensitization

Date: 16th September 2022

Time: 3:00 PM

Venue: Department of History, Andhra Christian College, Guntur

Organized by

Department of History, Andhra Christian College, Guntur

Resource Person

Smt. G. Manikyamma, Lecturer in History, Andhra Muslim College, Guntur

Faculty of the Department of History, Andhra Christian College, Guntur

- **Mr. M. Siril Kumar**, i/c Head of the Department
- **Mr. P. Rajesh**
- **Mr. M. John Newton**
- **Mr. N. Mukkanti (P. G.)**
- **Mr. G. Prakasa Rao (P. G.)**

Attendees

The seminar was attended by faculty members and students of the Department of History, Andhra Christian College, Guntur.

Seminar Overview

On the 16th of September, 2022, the Department of History, Andhra Christian College, Guntur, hosted a seminar titled "A View on 18th and 19th Century Social Reforms in India on Gender Sensitization." The session was graced by the esteemed presence of **Smt. G. Manikyamma**, Lecturer in History, Andhra Muslim College, Guntur, who served as the resource person for the event.

Opening Remarks

The seminar commenced at 3:00 PM with an opening address by **Mr. M. Siril Kumar**, Head of the Department of History. He welcomed the resource person, faculty members, and students, emphasizing the importance of understanding historical social reforms and their impact on contemporary gender issues.

Presentation by Smt. G. Manikyamma

Smt. G. Manikyamma delivered an insightful presentation, focusing on the significant social reforms of the 18th and 19th centuries in India, particularly those related to gender sensitization. Her talk covered various aspects including:

1. Early Social Reform Movements:

- The role of Raja Ram Mohan Roy in the abolition of Sati.
- The efforts of Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar in promoting widow remarriage.
- Jyotirao Phule and Savitribai Phule's work towards women's education and upliftment of the marginalized.

2. Legislative Reforms:

- The introduction and impact of laws like the Widow Remarriage Act (1856) and the Age of Consent Act (1891).
- The role of British colonial administration in implementing these laws.

3. Women's Education:

- The establishment of schools and institutions dedicated to women's education.
- Contributions of reformers such as Pandita Ramabai and Sarojini Naidu.

4. Gender Sensitization:

- The impact of these reforms on changing societal attitudes towards women.
- The gradual shift from traditional patriarchal norms to a more gender-sensitive approach in Indian society.

Interactive Session

Following the presentation, an interactive session was held where students and faculty members engaged with Smt. Manikyamma. Questions were raised regarding the challenges faced by reformers, the resistance from orthodox segments of society, and the long-term effects of these reforms on modern-day gender issues in India. Smt. Manikyamma provided detailed and insightful responses, encouraging further discussion and critical thinking among the attendees.

Conclusion

The seminar concluded with a vote of thanks by **Mr. P. Rajesh**, who expressed gratitude to Smt. G. Manikyamma for her enlightening presentation and to all participants for their active engagement. He emphasized the relevance of historical social reforms in understanding and addressing current gender issues.

The event was a significant success, fostering a deeper understanding of the historical context of gender sensitization and inspiring attendees to continue exploring and addressing gender issues in contemporary society.



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