

Activities of ICC: At a Glance

The Internal Complaints Committee under Professor Shaheena Tarannum (D/O English) as Presiding Officer along with Professor Samina Khan (D/O English), Dr. Juhi Gupta (Centre for Women's Studies), Dr Farah Ashhar (CMO, UHO), Mrs Shaista Bedar (Asth. Librarian, M A Library), Ms Sabiha Naaz Lari (Ismat Society), Ms Ghazala Ahmad, Ms Nida Khan, Ms Maryam Khan (Members of ICC) demonstrated its commitment to the cause of Gender Sensitization by organizing events and activities on the campus in order to achieve a safe and conducive environment for female students and employees of Aligarh Muslim University.

Keeping in mind the admissions for the Session 2017-18, ICC developed and designed handbill to create awareness and gender sensitization especially among new arrivals and requested the Dean Student's Welfare, AMU for its wide distribution and publicity.

Beginning September, ICC brought out a Handout and Helpline Numbers and sent it to all Deans of Faculties, Chairpersons, Principals of Colleges/ Polytechnic(Boys and Girls), Directors/ Coordinators of Centers, School Education and Provosts of Halls of Residences/ NRSC for display on the Notice Boards of their respective Faculty/ Department/ Office/ Centre etc.



Earlier in Two Phases the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) started a massive campaign, in collaboration with Aligarh Muslim University Drama Club to spread gender sensitization

through Nukkad Natak (The Street Play) in the various Schools of A.M.U. In the First Phase in August 2017, Nukkad Nataak was organised in ABK High School (Girls), AMU Girls High School and Senior Secondary School (Girls10+2). Speaking on the occasion, the Presiding Officer Prof Shaheena Tarannum who led the event said, "Street plays have always been an important tool in spreading awareness about a cause and the idea is to sensitize people regarding women's issues and make a difference in people's thinking with our efforts. Moreover the rationale behind initiating awareness and sensitization from schools was because 40 percent of our population is below 18 years of age and therefore imperative to engage the youth in making a healthy society”.

Later in an interactive session the Principal, staff and students urged the Committee members to organize more such events in future so that the students be more informative and motivated to deal with such menace.



The Second Phase of Awareness and Gender Sensitization Campaign on the campus began from September 11 -14th September, 2017 covering City School (Boys), ABK Union School (Boys), Saiyyid Hamid Sr. Sec. School (Boys) and City Girls School (Qazipara).

The Nukkad Natak titled 'ASTITVA' written by Ms. Razia Khanum , directed by Mr. Dishank Sharma included Jaffar Hasnain, Shakir Ali, Pradeep , Fiaza , Habiba , Amir, Azhar, Rishi , Tahzeeb, Muglata, Ahmad Navi, Aaqib Khan, Sufiyan, Shobneet, Mushrik , Saba khan and Priya Sharma brilliantly highlighted the diverse forms of abuse women and

children face at home, school and while travelling. They touched upon issues of eve-teasing, touching, female infanticide, stalking, child abuse and acid attack.



The ICC effectively used "Nukkad Natak" with catchy dialogues ,songs ,slogans and powerful performances by enthusiastic actors from A.M.U Drama Club to educate students on the subject. The campaign got a stupendous response and was well attended by students, Principal and the Staff of schools.

Prof Samina Khan reaffirmed the Internal Complaints Committee's conviction towards women's safety and for providing safer workplaces for women. Dr Farha Ashhar (ICC member) highlighted the importance of reporting harassment cases and creating awareness. Ms Sabiha Naaz Lari and Dr Juhi Gupta were also present.



On October 6th, 2017 Internal Complaints Committee undertook tree plantation drive to extend support to 'Swachhatha Hi Sewa',a fortnightly clean-up drive on the initiative of The Government of India .The tree plantation drive was facilitated by the Department of Land and Garden, AMU.



Speaking on the occasion ICC Presiding Officer Prof. Shaheena Tarannum said that tree-planting is hugely beneficial to the world in the face of accelerating climate change and will make a valuable contribution to the fight against global warming, as well as providing a host of wider environmental and socio-economic benefits. She further added, restoring the green cover therefore is the single most important intervention that can reverse the impact of global warming

Internal Complaints Committee members Prof. Samina Khan (Deptt. Of English), Dr. Farha Ashhar (CMO, MAS), Dr. Juhi Gupta (Centre for Women's studies), Ms. Sabiha Naaz Lari (Ismat Literary and Handicraft Centre) along with the staff of ICC and Land and Garden actively participated in the drive.