





#### MADRAS SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

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### **ALUMNI LECTURE SERIES -1** ORGANIZED BY VIDIYAL FORUM

**SEMINAR ON** 

## "ROLE OF SOCIAL WORKERS IN **ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN"**

Time: 9:00AM - 11:00AM Date: 30/09/22

Day: Friday **Venue: TAG Auditorium** 













#### INTRODUCTION:

On 30th September, 2022 a Guest Lecture on the topic "Role of Social Workers in ending violence against children" was conducted by the BSW Department Alumna Ms. Poorani, from the batch [2014-2017]. She was now the Child Protection Officer. She was assisted by her colleague Ms. Lavanya Grace, Child Protection Officer. They were from the Tamil Nadu Welfare and Women Empowerment Department.

#### **PROCEEDINGS:**

- At 8:45 AM, Ms.Poorani and her colleague Ms. Lavanya Grace arrived to the college and were received by Mr.Navin, Treasure and was directed to the department.
- Dr. T. Rufus Singh Asst. Professor, Mr. S.Xavier Vivek Jerry Forum Coordinator, Ms.Triveni, President and Ms.Yurekaa, Secretary sat together and had a discussion.
- At 9:00 AM, Alumna Ms. Poorani was directed to the TAG Auditorium and the program commenced.
- Ms. Pooja Shree from BSW 1st year did the MC.
- The Program commenced with the Tamil Thai Vaazhthu. It was sung by Ms.Akshaya, Ms.Susi Medila and Ms. Haripriya.
- The Welcome Address was given by Mr. Navin, Treasurer.
- Ms. Susi Medila welcomed Ms.Poorani and her colleague Ms.Lavanya Grace with handmade Eco-friendly roses made by her.
- At 9:10 AM, Dr. T. Rufus Singh was invited to introduce our Alumna Ms. Poorani. He read out a brief introduction about her. He quoted that "once the stage was decorated by her and now the stage was being decorated for her". By this line we can understand that he was very proud of the achievements that was done by her in her field of work.
- Ms. Poorani was invited to introduce her colleague Ms. Lavanya Grace.
- At 9:30 AM, the session was handed over to Ms. Poorani, she started off the session by explaining us the definition of children and she asked us the various problems in the society that was being done against children.
- She explained us about the Demographic Data, Child Literacy Rate, Child Marriage Rates, Sex Ratio, Violence against Children, Juvenile crime rates in Tamil Nadu versus the National Average. These details was shared by Ms. Poorani to understand the current scenario of violence against Children.
- It was found that, Teenage Pregnancies had risen from 4% to 6% and the rate of Crime up to 10.9%.











- We identified the various factors that led to violence against children such as Drug abuse, Destructive family, Lack of employment, Human trafficking etc.
- Ms. Poorani, told that negligence was also an important cause of why the children are undergoing a lot of violence.
- We learnt that Child Labor is a Non-Bailable offence. We also learnt that Child Marriage is a Non-Bailable offence everyone including the Husband, Parents, Relatives, Audience and whoever supported the marriage will be arrested.
- The Resource person shared a case study, about two sisters in Salem district. The sister's parents died in an accident, and they were put under the custody of their maternal uncle, due to poverty he was not able to provide for the children. As a result, they were sent to an NGO. Due to COVID, the NGO sent the children back to their uncle. As he was already struck by poverty, he decided to get the elder sibling married as he was unemployed and had 3 children himself. The same was planned for the younger sibling.
- The elder sibling contacted Child Protection service at the night of her marriage, and was rescued successfully. After which she was given the choice as to return to the family or to the NGO. She decided that she would like to stay with the NGO and continue her studies and the younger sibling was left with her family.
- According to the Child Welfare Committee, the first preference for the child's custody is given to the family as the child needs all the love and affection they deserve.
- Caste and Religion are two important factors which plays a key role in Child Marriage.
- We discussed the various other factors that led to Child Marriage, and the important factor was lack of Women Empowerment. Due to this, women are subjected to a lot of violence and abuse
- At 9:55 AM, we discussed about when the prohibition of Child Marriage in India was introduced and it was found to be 1929. We were all surprised that it's going to be a century and still we haven't been able to destroy the social evil. The main reason for it is the Caste and Religion that are imbibed in the minds of the citizens.
- We discussed the consequences of Child Marriage on the girl child which includes Early Pregnancy, Physical and Mental strain on the woman, Infant Mortality rate and financial instability in the family.
- Ms. Poorani also shared the, women helpline number which is 181.
- When underage Girls & Boys are involved in child marriage they will be tried under PCMA (Protection of Child Marriage Act) and POCSO (Protection of Children from Sexual Offence).
- POCSO punishment includes minimum of 7 years in prison up to a lifetime. Every person who
  is involved in the act, even if they play a small role will be held accountable, it is a strictly
  implemented Act.











- At 10:10 AM, Ms. Lavanya Grace conducted an activity, where 5 boys and 5 girls were called on to the stage and they had to choose a side. Neutral, Agree and Disagree for the statements proposed.
- Many of the question she presented was controversial. The ten members found it difficult to choose one side as they had different opinions. The 10 members represented the society. Each of the student was asked to explain as to why they chose the particular side they were in.
- At 10:30 AM, Question and Answer session was conducted, Dr.T.Rufus Singh asked Ms. Poorani, "How to become a child protection officer?" Ms.Poorani replied that, the BSW and MSW graduates have more scope in becoming a Child Protection Officer. She also mentioned that we were all in the right path.
- At 10:45 AM, Mr.S.Xavier Vivek Jerry, Forum Coordinator felicitated Ms. Poorani with a book called "We should all be Feminists" written by Ms.Chimamada Ngozi Adiche
- Dr.T.Rufus Singh felicitated Ms. Lavanya Grace with a Jute bag.
- Ms. Poorani gifted 23 books to the BSW department. The book were regarding violence that was done against children such as Child Marriage, child sexual abuse etc. The books also focused on the Role of social workers in ending violence against children.
- At 11:00 AM, Ms.Nanthitha, Executive Member gave the Vote of Thanks.
- At 11:04 AM, The dignitaries and students were asked to raise for the National Anthem.
- A group photo was taken with Alumna Ms. Poorani, Faculty Members and Vidiyal Forum Members.
- Coffee and Cookies were severed as refreshments to Ms. Poorani, Ms.Lavanya Grace and the Faculty Members. They discussed on how to take the Alumni Guest Lectures series to the next level.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

The session came to an end at 11:00 AM. It was an eye opener for all the students. They were able to gain a lot of knowledge on various aspects of violence that are done against children and how as Social Workers we play an important role in preventing it.



































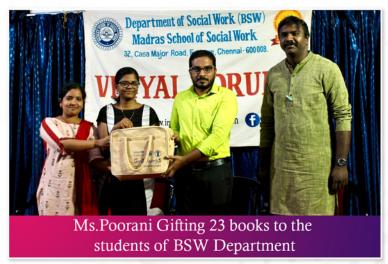
































# **ANNEXURE**













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#### **SPEAKER**

MS.POORANI Child Protection Officer **Tamil Nadu Social Welfare And Women Empowerment** Department BSW Alumna 2014-2017 Batch



30th Sept 2022 Friday **9AM TO 10AM** 

VENUE: TAG AUDITORIUM, MSSW

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#### **INVITATION LETTER**



# Department of Social Work (BSW) Madras School of Social Work Accredited by NAAC with A+ grade



Date - 27/09/2022

To
Ms. Poorani,
Child Protection Officer,
Ending Child Marriage Program,
Tamil Nadu Social Welfare and Women Empowerment Department.

Respected Mam,

Sub - Inviting you to deliver a Guest Lecture - Reg.

Greetings from Vidiyal Forum Madras School of Social Work was founded in the year 1952, to impart education in the field of Social Work at UG, PG, M.Phil and Doctoral level.

'VIDIYAL FORUM' is an initiative of the Department of Social Work, BSW Program. We have planned to have a series of Guest Lectures every month with our Alumni being the resource person.

In this regard we would like to invite you to deliver the Guest Lecture on the topic "Role of Social Workers in Ending Violence against Children"

We look forward to your positive confirmation of our invitation. We are happy to welcome you back to our college.

Thank you

Regards,

Dr. A. Thirumagal Rajam, Program Head, BSW











#### RESOURCE PERSON PROFILE

Ms. POORANI

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#### Educational Background:

 Master of Social Work specializing in Community Development (Madras School of Social Work)

Bachelor of Social Work
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#### Work Experience:

- Currently works as the Child Protection Officer in the 'Adolescent Empowerment and Ending Child Marriage' programme being implemented by the State Resource Centre for Non-Formal Education in partnership with the Department of Social Welfare and Women Empowerment (Govt of TN) and UNICEF. I work extensively in implementing the programme in the districts of Theni, Dharmapuri, Dindigul, Madurai and Perambalur and am responsible for the strengthening of Child Protection Committees across Tamil Nadu state. I have built the capacities, by enhancing the knowledge and skills of the various stakeholders of child protection, including the District Social Welfare Officers, District Child Protection Officers, Project Officers (ICDS), ChildLine Coordinators, District Youth Officers and Youth club leaders of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS), Block Development Officers, Child Development Project Officers, Police Officers, Village Administrative Officers, teachers, Anganwadi Workers, SHG women, adolescent boys and girls, etc on ending all forms of violence against children, especially child marriage, operationalizing and strengthening child protection committees, PCM Act, handling children in distress, gender, life skills, etc. I also work closely with the Dept of Social Welfare and Women Empowerment through advocacy initiatives for child protection.
- I have previously worked as the 'Associate' with the Indian Political Action Committee, as the district in charge of Villupuram during TN assembly elections 2021. I was extensively involved in campaign ideating and strategizing and have trained senior political leaders and party post holders on electioneering and campaign implementation.
- I worked with the SOS Children's Villages of India (Thrissur) as a Management Trainee and was responsible to meet the education and counselling needs of the children.
- I am an RTI activist and work closely with the Arappor lyakkam











#### RESOURCE PERSON PROFILE

- Trained street theatre artist and has performed in and out of Chennai on various developmental issues
- I am also a freelance translator and have worked with the People's Union for Civil Liberties (PUCL), Tamil Nadu Youth Party, Royal Enfield, and Parvathy Group of Hospitals.

#### Accomplishments:

- UGC NET qualified for lectureship
- · Received 'Voices for Safe Spaces' award instituted by the AWARE India Trust
- IAPA instituted 'Best Passed Out Student' awardee of BSW department
- Was previously awarded as 'Friends of Police' by the railway Police for assisting in the rescue of destitute women and elderly from the railway stations of Chennai
- Have filed RTIs and have been instrumental in exposing major corruptions in TN











#### GENDER STATEMENT ACTIVITY

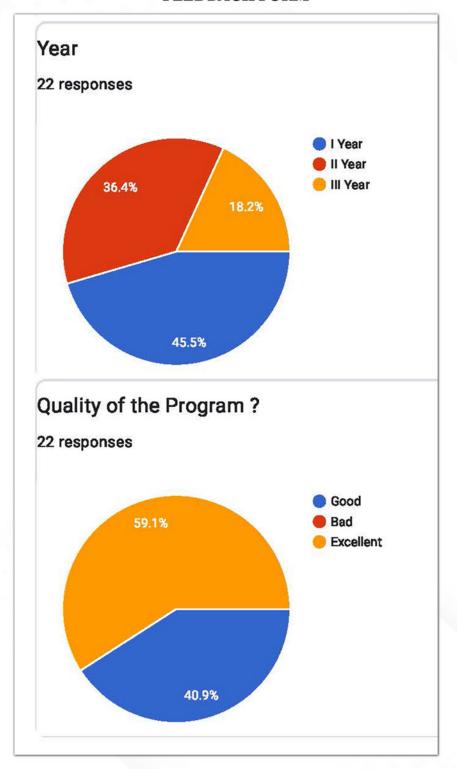
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- 2. A woman's honor/ character is based on how she dresses.
- 3. Child is primarily dependent on mother for rearing
- 4. Crying and asking for help is not a sign of masculinity
- 5. Assertive women are unfeminine and are "bossy"
- 6. Successful men look good, But spending too much time on your looks is not manly.
- 7. Men who are not aggressive and/or assertive are unmanly and likely gay.
- 8. A real man has as many sexual partners as possible; A real man never says no to sex.
- Men are too impersonal and not emotionally apt to take on tasks "better done by women like nursing, counselling, taking care of babies"
- Women are too emotional and physically not equipped to undertake certain kinds of work like police, taking important decisions, driving etc









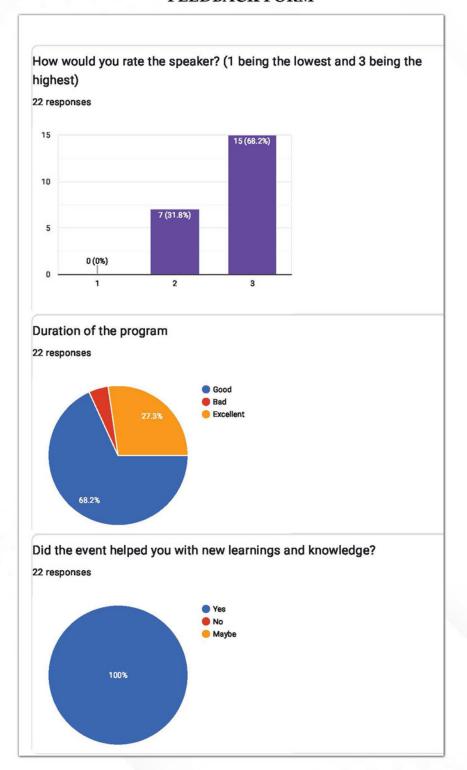










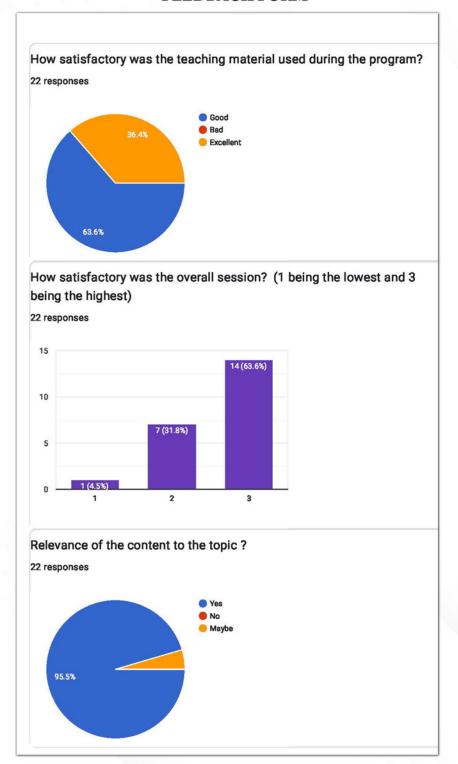




















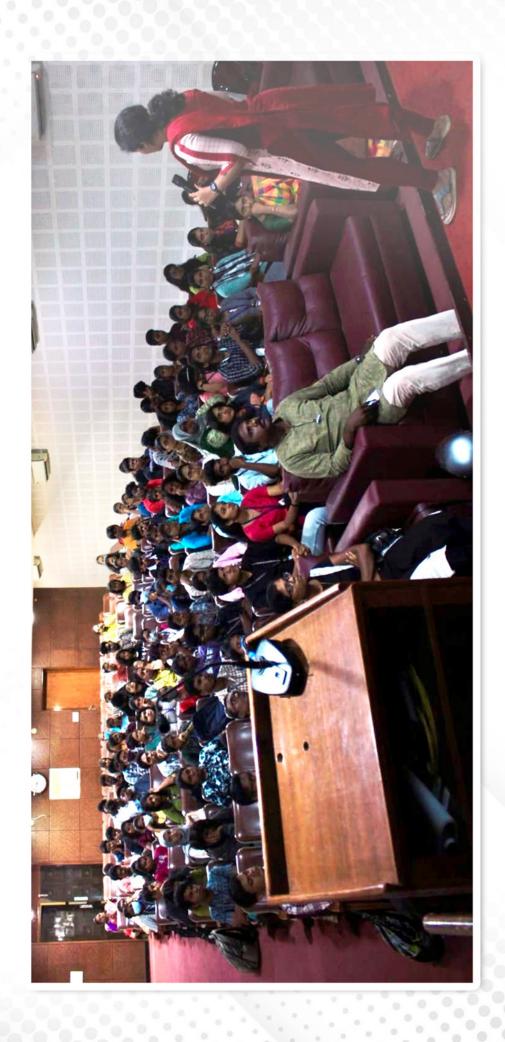
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