GUEST LECTURE ON SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY

On September 9, 2022, The Department of Psychology, Madras School of Social Work had observed " World Suicide Prevention Day" for the year 2022. Dr.R.Subashini, Honourable Dean, Madras School of Social Work had welcomed the gathering.

Dr. Raja Samuel, Respected Principal, Madras School of Social Work had delivered the inaugural address for the day. Dr. V. D Swaminathan, retired professor from the Dept. of Psychology, University of Madras was the guest speaker for the day, who had shared valuable knowledge on the topic 'Self strengthening strategies against Suicide' and had interacted with the audience through a detailed discussion session. Ms. Angela Brewin, APHRA registered mental health nurse, Sutherland Hospital, NSW, Australia was the keynote speaker who had presented on the topic of 'Suicide Prevention, An experiential Psycho-Social Approach' shared her valuable experience dealing with people across various parts of the world.

The session was also followed by an interactive discussion with the audience. The faculty members and students from the department of Psychology had their presence as the audience. Dr. Subasree, Head of the Department of Psychology had addressed the audience about the present scenario of suicides and had enunciated the role of mental health professionals in preventing suicide. Two students from the department, S. Dhanish Muthalif and S. Sneha had been the emcee for the event. Ms. Madhar Shameem, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology did the Vote of Thanks for the day and the session concluded with the National Anthem.