

CONSUMER WELFARE CELL 2017-18

1. On 26th July 2017, Miss. Sharwari Prabhudessai, Asst. Prof. in Law delivered a talk on the Consumer Protection Act 1986, to the members of Consumer Welfare Cell. She highlighted the history of the Act, the six rights of the consumers under the act, the objective of the act, the provisions of the act and the redressal machinery under the act. She also explained the consumer responsibilities and how to file a complaint, where to file a complaint, the appeals relief to consumers, penalties and also discussed the case laws regarding the act.



2. Miss Antonette Noronha, the college counselor spoke to the students on various issues facing young women. Some of the issues expressed by the students were peer pressure, weight problems, relationship issues, parents issues, gender bias, social media, time management, drug abuse, finance, safety and health. She explained various means to solve these issues. She concluded by saying that women should be “women of value, power and ability”.



3. On the 28th of September 2017 , there was a demonstration of some nutritious and delicious dishes and snacks by Dimple Utagi. The students took active part in the preparation of the dishes. Dimple Utagi created awareness about healthy eating to the students. There was active participation from all students as they truly enjoyed preparing all the dishes.



4. Dr. Fatima D'Souza, officiating Principal of Govt. College Borda, gave a talk on 'Consumer Awareness through Consumer Education' on 28-09-2018. She educated the students about the role of a consumer, Problems faced by Consumers, Duties of Consumers, aims and importance of consumer education, creating awareness about consumer welfare and the options available to consumers for redressing the disputes in Goa.



5. Consumer Welfare Cell Conducted Road Safety Patrol Training Programme for the Students who have registered for the same on 11th October 2017 at 10.30 am on college grounds. It was conducted by Damodar Mistry Head Constable Margao Traffic along with his team. The students were briefed about the various traffic signs. He also alerted them the various safety precautions that are needed to be taken on the road.



5. On 15th September 2017, a road safety awareness action was organized outside the college gate from 8:30 am to 10:00 am. The members held placards and banners displaying the importance of road safety. The members also created awareness regarding the use of ISI marked helmets and the use of seatbelts while driving. The activities of the road safety action was coordinated by the consumer welfare cell coordinator Gladys D'souza and Dr. Aldina Gomes in association with GOACAN Mr. Roland Martins and the Margao traffic Police.



6. On 2nd December 2017 Mr. Rupesh Shinkre, a social entrepreneur created awareness about the ill effects of coal mining in Goa. He said that coal dust contaminates air and increases respiratory and cardio vascular diseases. If coal mining is allowed in Goa, coal will choke Goa as the coal will affect the villages, forests, air, water bodies and the total ecology and environment. He also spoke about nationalization of rivers, a reflection of Goa. Thus he created awareness among students about the environmental issues and health hazards due to coal mining. This talk was organized for all the students of all the faculties.



7. On 21-03-2018 Dr. Aldina Braganza E Gomes, HOD of Psychology Dept. conducted a session on 'How to cope up with stress during exams'. She highlighted different tips of stress and the strategies that can be utilized by the students for the same. She highlighted the importance of physical exercise and meditation to relax the mind and to focus on the learning process. Towards the end a practical session on meditation and breathing exercises was conducted by Ma'am for the benefit of the students.



8. Students visited the Consumer Redressal Forum South Goa District on 07-02-2018 situated at Fatorda Margao. The Consumer Forum plays a vital role in addressing disputes regarding consumer/retail issues and gives relief to the distressed party. The students witnessed the ongoing cases and also took insights from the arguments. Also, they learnt about the mechanism to approach the court with respect to such grievances. However, due to prohibition on photography inside the courtroom, the students could not click a picture as a testimony of their presence to be documented.



9. Jovelle Furtado demonstrated the art of making different flowers such as stone flowers, Hand made paper flowers, Foam sheet flowers; sequence leaves tree and stocking flowers to the interested students from 7th to 10th November 2017. The students can become entrepreneurs by making and selling flowers as there is a lot of demand for such flowers.

