



**HOPE Foundation's
Finolex Academy of Management & Technology, Ratnagiri**

Women Development Cell

A Seminar on

“SAKHI” One Stop Centre, Ratnagiri, an initiative by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Govt of Maharashtra

The objective of the Women Development Cell is to promote the general well-being of female students, Faculty and staff at Finolex Academy of Management and Technology (FAMT). It also addresses concerns of gender discrimination and recommends measures and policies for gender equality.

In this context, the Women Development Cell of FAMT organized a seminar on ***“SAKHI” One Stop Centre, Ratnagiri, an initiative by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Govt of Maharashtra***, on 17th January 2025, in C1/6 at 11:00 a.m., for faculty, staff and girl students of FAMT. The objective of the program was to explain the importance of facilities provided by “SAKHI” One Stop Centre, Ratnagiri and also to create awareness amongst students to register on the Stree Shakti Portal, which is launched by the government to provide information related to cybercrime, legal help, medical help etc.



**Introduction to the resource person by Ms Bageshree Kakatkat (Student co-ordinator)
(L to R: Prof Abhilasha S. Jadhav(WDC Convenor), Adv. Swara Mayekar Madam and
Ms. Priyanka Borkar Madam**

The seminar was inaugurated with the felicitation of Adv. Swara Mayekar Madam and Ms Priyanka Borkar Madam.



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Prof Sankarshwari Madam Felicitating Prof Abhilasha S Jadhav (WDC Convenor)

The resource person for the seminar was one of the renowned and eminent advocates from Ratnagiri, Mrs Swara Mayekar Madam. She has been a counsellor for the "SAKHI" One Stop

Centre, Ratnagiri, an initiative by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, State Government of Maharashtra for the last three years.

The seminar started with various legal provisions and acts introduced by the government to prevent violence against women in society. She explained the various facilities provided by SAKHI” One Stop Centre. Like a Police helpline, temporary stay arrangements are provided for girls, and women, legal advice, medical help etc. She also shared information related to various women's acts/laws which could be helpful in day-to-day life. Swara Madam shared household acts, live-in relationship acts, and cybercrime acts in a very precise but simple manner. She narrated day-to-day life examples, related to a legal right, and cybercrime which is more common nowadays. She explained the laws against sexual harassment in society, what needs to be done and what should not be done when such a case happens. Swara Madam also explained one important thing that, the legal laws are for protection against violence and not for taking advantage of it in any case, by imposing false allegations on anyone.



Adv Swara Madam addressing the audience..

Thereafter, Priyanka Madam briefed the faculty, staff and students about registration on the Stree Shakti portal, which was launched by the government to provide information related to cybercrime, legal help, medical help etc. The audience present over there registered on the streeshakti.org portal.



Adv. Swara Madam and Ms Priyanka Madam are seen guiding students, faculty, and staff to register on the streeshakti.org portal.

Overall, her session was very enlightening and informative as it was related to the various facilities, and legal rights advice provided by the centre. The resource person threw light on every aspect of the portal related to women and girls.

Lastly, the session ended with a vote of thanks by Prof Gayatri M. Kirkire (Co-convenor-WDC). She expressed her gratitude to our Principal Dr Kaushal Prasad Sir, for his support in the conduction of the programme. Also, special thanks were conveyed to the female student co-ordinator Ms Bageshree Kakatkar and her team.



Prof. Gayatri M. Kirkire Madam expressing a vote of thanks.

The entire program was conducted under the guidance of Prof Abhilasha S. Jadhav (WDC Convener). A total of 97 students and the WDC team participated in the seminar.