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Invitation - One day Workshop in collaboration with Sruti Disability Rights centre, Kolkata on Violence on Women with Disabilities on 15th February 2020

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Dear Colleagues,

Warm and pleasant Greetings!

The Centre for the Rights of Differently Aabled(CRDA), a unit of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, is dedicated to working for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, spreading awareness regarding Disability and Mental Health.

CRDA is organising a One day Workshop in collaboration with Sruti Disability Rights centre, Kolkata on Violence on Women with Disabilities on 15th February 2020. The workshop is scheduled from 9.30am to 3pm in the Assembly Hall. We have Mr. Pavan Muntha, Mr. V Muralidharan, Ms.Srinidhi Raghavan and Ms Shampa Sengupta as our resource persons.

Pavan Muntha is an activist with visual impairment and working on disability advocacy for last 2 decades.. He is CEO of Swadhikaar Centre for Disabilities Information, Research and Resource Development, Andhra Pradesh. He was one of members of Alternate Report from India on UNCRPD delegation and met UN Committee, Geneva last September.

V. Muralidharan is the General Secretary of National Platform for Rights of Disabled (NPRD), largest cross-disability organisation with members in 14 states of India. NPRD is presently one of the leading DPO that is impacting policy level issues in India. He was also one of the delegates who met UN Committee at Geneva regarding CRPD Alternate report.

Srinidhi Raghavan is a writer, researcher, trainer and development practitioner. She currently works on women's rights, sexuality and disability rights with Rising Flame. She has worked at the various intersections of sexuality, gender, disability and technology. She writes about, reflects and is informed by all this and her personal experience with chronic illnesses and disability.

Shampa Sengupta is an activist working on disability and gender issues for more than 30 years. She is the Founder-Director of Sruti Disability Rights Centre, a non-funded advocacy group that works on disability and gender rights. She has several research papers as well as published articles. Presently her focus is on policy level changes on women with disabilities and has been working on making Indian laws and policies on women pertinent to lives of disabled women and serving as Joint Secretary of NPRD.

We cordially invite you to our event.

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Thanks & Regards,

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**REPORT ON ONE DAY WORKSHOP ON VIOLENCE ON WOMEN WITH
DISABILITIES IN COLLABORATION SRUTI DISABILITY CENTRE, KOLKATA**

15 Feb., 2020

The Centre for the Rights of Differently Abled (CRDA), a research based centre of Symbiosis Law School Hyderabad (SLS-H), is proud to report that on 15th of February, 2020, the CRDA team successfully conducted One Day Workshop on Violence on women with disabilities in collaboration with Sruti Disability Centre, Kolkata at Symbiosis Law School-Hyderabad campus.

The team acted with utmost diligence in fulfilling this task outside of their direct ambit of higher education, and took responsibility while conducting this event. The event initiated at 10:00am in the assembly hall with welcome address by Ms. Dhanya K.A., Faculty-in-charge, CRDA. The event then followed by introduction of the CRDA by the Founder Mr. Akshay Jain which was then followed by the introduction of esteemed guests of the event. Following are the details of the sessions addressed by following guests:

Session 1: Addressed by Mr. Pavan Muntha, CEO, Swadhikar

Mr. Pavan highlighted the UN system with specific reference to the rights of the differently abled and shed light over the soft laws and hard laws under the UN system in respect of the same. He also gave a brief idea of the duties of the states and an easy understanding of UNCPRD. His session was very informative and fruitful one with the active participation of students present therein.

Session 2: Addressed by Mr. Muralidharan, General Secretary, National Platform for Rights of Disabled

Mr. Muralidharan gave a broad idea about historical background over the recognition of disability rights and treatment of disabled ones in the past. While doing so, he made students to explore the condition of disabled ones from the time of Manu. He highlighted the fact that how Manusmriti created a great discrimination while treating disabled ones. He also gave an idea about various kinds of definition of disability during various time period. Then, he proceeded with guarantees given by the Indian Constitution while safeguarding the rights of differently abled and laws enacted in accordance with the same. His session enlightened the student with the very crux of disability movement in the past and the present.

Session 3: Addressed by Ms. Srinidhi Raghavan, Expert in Women's rights, technology, sexuality, and disability.

Ms. Srinidhi Raghavan highlighted various kinds of violence that occurs against a woman with disability. She broadly classified such violence into direct (sexual, economic etc.), cultural (exclusion based) and structural (denial of accessibility). She also highlighted procedural and legal aspects whereby a victim of violence has to suffer in order to prove her case. In order to make student understand various violence faced by women with disability, she has shown a video of experiences of such women. Finally, she ended her session with some suggestion like controlling our language is the first step in avoiding such violence and harmonisation of law is needed to meet the end result.



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Session 4: Addressed by Ms. Shampa Sengupta, Director, Sruti Disability Rights Centre, Kolkata.

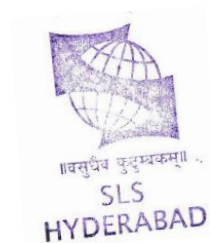
Ms. Shampa shed a light over UNCRPD draft history and highlighted the need to have separate instrument to deal with the rights of differently abled. She then spoke upon Indian laws against violence and highlighted that how they lag in the cases involving women with disabilities. She also shed a light over the provisions of POCSO and its role in safeguarding the interest of differently abled women who faced violence. She then proceeded with issues like abortion of a girl with intellectual disability and compensatory challenges faced by the victims of violence. She also stated various cases which she came across during the course of her work like the sexual harassment allegation against CJI by a hearing impaired woman etc. She also enlightened students with the practical issues prevalent in government run institutions and the difficulty which Verma Committee faced while putting forth suggestion in respect of safeguarding the interest of women with disability. She made students understand the practicality inherent in the subject by showing a video upon the same. Finally, she ended on the note that there is an urgent need of legal deliberation with respect to disability movement.

The event then proceeded with the felicitation of guests and address by Prof. (Dr.) Sarfaraz Ahmed Khan, Director of SLS-H. The event then came to an end with Thank You note by Ms. Dhanya K.A., Faculty-In-Charge, CRDA.

This event was conducted to make brainstorm, reflect, discuss, share, analyse, critique and plan the future of disability movement especially in terms of violence against women with disability and make students actively participate in the same in order to effectuate such movements. Approx 30 students were present during the whole event. Both male and female villagers along with children equally participated in the event.

This event would not have reached its estimated success without the support of Prof. (Dr.) Sarfaraz Ahmed Khan, Director SLS-H; Mr. M.A. Hazi, Administrator, SLS-H; Col. B.S. Bali (Retd.), Campus Administrator of Symbiosis, Hyderabad campus; Ms. Dhanya K.A., Faculty-in-charge, CRDA and the student members of team CRDA.

The team concluded the event on a strong note, fulfilling the objectives and agendas set for them, and made their strong contribution in awareness creation upon the disability movement especially in terms of women.



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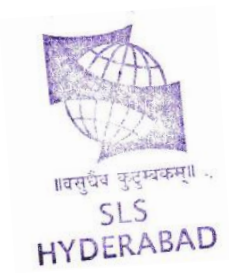
PICTURES ENCLOSED(FROM LEFT TO RIGHT): SESSIONS ADDRESSED BY THE ESTEEMED GUESTS (MR. PAVAN MUNTHA, MS. SRINIDHI RAGHAVAN AND MS.SHAMPA SENGUPTA); THE RESPONSE OF THE PARTICIPANTS



PICTURES ENCLOSED (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT): WELCOME ADDRESS BY MS. DHANYA K.A.; ADDRESS BY PROF. (DR.) SARFARAZ AHMED KHAN, DIRECTOR, SLS-H; ADDRESS BY MR. AKSHAY JAIN, FOUNDER, CRDA



PICTURE ENCLOSED: GROUP PHOTO OF ESTEEMED GUESTS, THE DIRECTOR OF SLS-H, FACULTY-IN-CHARGE OF CRDA WITH THE PARTICIPANTS AND CRDA MEMBERS

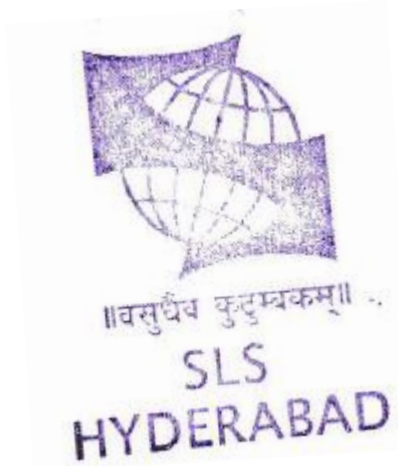


ATTENDANCE

Total number of participants - 65

SNo	Name of the student	Batch
1	Akshay Jain	2015-20
2	Meenakshi	2015-20
3	Purvi Morwal	2016-21
4	Bhavana Madireddy	2016-21
5	Tressa Maria Joseph	2016-21
6	Wagisha	2016-21
7	Arijit Nayak	2017-22
8	Romi Kumari	2017-22
9	Rachita	2019-24
10	Akshara Kamath	2019-24
11	Krishna Gattani	2018-23
12	Bharat Singh Rathore	2016-2021
13	Sneha Vemulapalli	2016-2021
14	Vengyalil Aninditha	2016-2021
15	Siddhi Shubhangi	2016-2021
16	Goldy Gwalinee	2016-2021
17	K.S.Aravind	2016-2021
18	Sriharshitha Chada	2017-2022
19	aarsheya singh	2017-2022
20	Anna Mariam Koshy	2017-2022
21	Namita	2017-2022
22	Vaibhav Anand	2017-2022
23	Ankita Mohanty	2017-2022
24	Abhigna Reddy K	2017-2022
25	Suraj Pratim Saikia	2017-2022
26	Elizabeth Minu Mathews	2017-2022
27	Shubhangi Nangunoori	2017-2022
28	Akshaya B S	2017-2022
29	Divyanshi Singh Choudhary	2017-2022
30	Mohammed Suleman	2018-2023
31	Aishani Pattanaik	2018-2023
32	Diya Mal	2018-2023
33	Sneha Bera	2018-2023
34	Toolika rana	2018-2023
35	Smartaz Majumder	2018-2023
36	Priyanka Talwar	2018-2023
37	Dipshikha Mukherjee	2018-2023
38	Mandeep Pamaar	2018-2023
39	Anushree N. Murthy	2018-2023
40	Aprajita Agnihotri	2018-2023
41	Pranav Kapur	2018-2023

42	Anubhooti Sharma	2018-2023
43	Katikaneni Amuktha Rao	2018-2023
44	Rimjhim Suhani	2019-2024
45	Krishnan K S	2019-2024
46	Harleen Kaur Rait	2019-2024
47	ishwinderpal singh	2019-2024
48	Suhaib Ashraf	2019-2024
49	shantanu seth	2019-2024
50	Devansh Gupta	2019-2024
51	N. Srinidhi Reddy	2019-2024
52	Aditi Reddy	2019-2024
53	Nivan Raj Sharma	2019-2024
54	Lahari Gurralla	2019-2024
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