# Report on the Gender Sensitization Campaign organized by the Women and Child Development Department, Government of Kerala in association with Gender Justice Forum of Government College Kariavattom

#### **Day 1: Inauguration of Gender Sensitization Campaign**

**TOPIC**: Gender Sensitization Campaign

DATE & TIME : Sep 22, 2021 11:00 AM Mumbai, Kolkata, New Delhi

**PLATFORM**: Zoom meeting

Zoom meeting link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87124266718?pwd=bXpocVNjS3ZyTlh5ZnFQOXNyTkl5dz09 The Women and Child Development Department, Government of Kerala in association with Gender Justice Forum of our college organized Gender Sensitization Campaign for the second and final year students from 22<sup>nd</sup> September to 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021 through online mode. The purpose of the programme is to make each student aware of two important topics: Gender & Relation and Gender & Law. Dr. Sini H., Chairperson, Gender Justice Forum, Government College Kariavattom welcomed all participants and emphasized the need to create an awareness among the youngsters about the importance of gender equality in view of the increasing incidents of dowry deaths, murder attempts against girls associated with love failure/rejection of love proposal and suicides in Kerala. Presidential address was given by Mrs. Sabeena Beegum, District Women & Child Development Officer explained the motive of the Gender sensitization Campaign organised by the Government. Mrs. Jaya A.S., Principal Government College Kariavattom inaugurated the programme and in her inaugural address she emphasized on the importance of getting educated to pursue a career of one's own choice and thereby becoming independent and responsible to discourage the practice of giving or taking dowry. Dr. Sabeen H.M., IQAC Coordinator, Government College Kariavattom and Mrs. Vidhya V.T., Senior Superintendent, Government College Kariavattom extended their felicitations for the grand success of the programme. Vote of thanks for the inaugural session was proposed by one of the student representatives of Gender Justice Forum Ms. Gowri Sudarshan.



**Day 1: Webinar on Gender & Relation** 

**TOPIC** : Gender & Relation

**NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS**: 50 Final year students

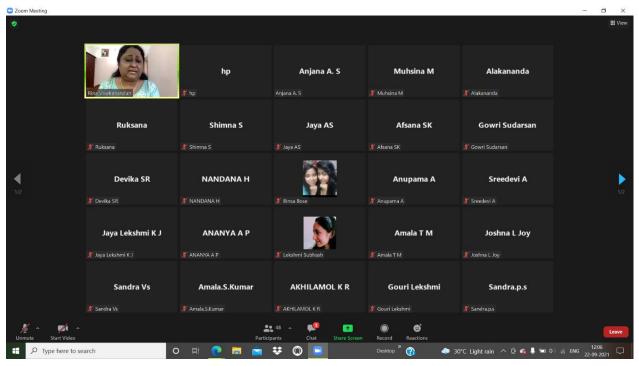
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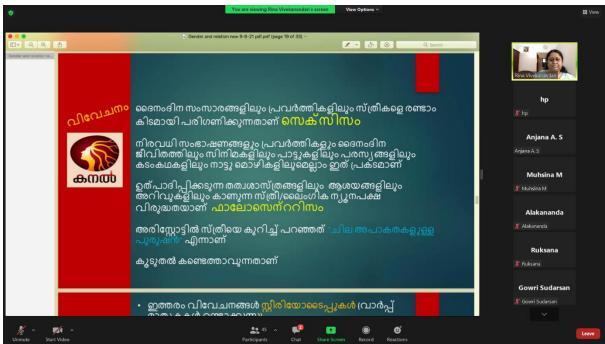
NAME OF RESOURCE PERSON: Mrs.Rina Vivekanandan, Founder & CEO, Solastra Global Pvt. Ltd.

**PLATFORM** : Zoom meeting

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The resource person Mrs. Rina Vivekanandan started her talk with patriarchal families, gender bias in the field of education and employment, gender pay gap and also about every other gender discrimination existing in our society. She suggested that men also have emotions and feelings and only by respecting each other's feelings gender equality can be attained. She also shared several helpline numbers provided by the Government of Kerala for the protection of Women & children. Students, both girls and boys diligently interacted with the resource person throughout the session. Mrs.Rina emphasized that girls must get an employment in all possible ways they could by overcoming all the hardships they have to face on the way to accomplish their aim. The session came to an end by 12.30pm.





### Day 2: Webinar on Gender & Law

**TOPIC** : Gender & Relation

**NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS**: 50 Final year students

**DATE & TIME** : Sep 23, 2021 11:00 AM

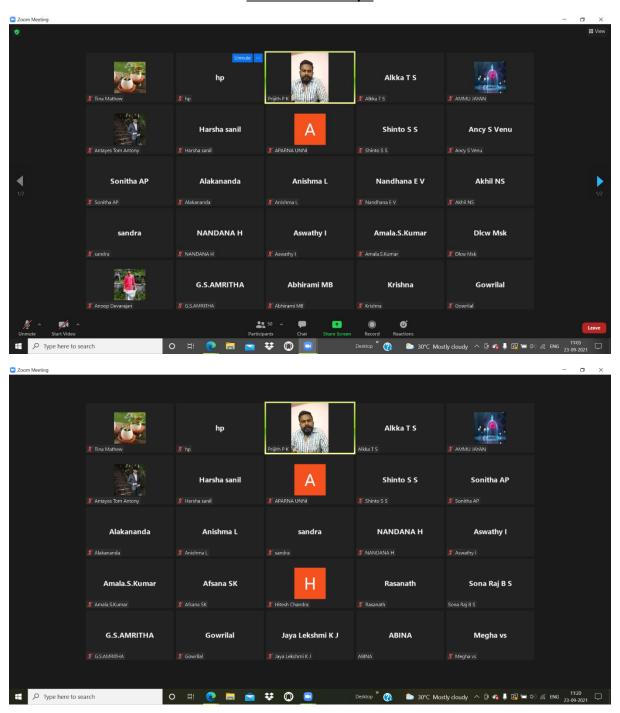
**NAME OF RESOURCE PERSON**: Mr.Prijith P.K., Founder Secretary of Queeryhtm.

**PLATFORM** : Zoom meeting

Zoom meeting link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83463337578?pwd=V3ZWM0wvazFKeVdiUStLLzNJWTFNUT09



Mr. Prijith started the session by explaining the meaning of gender in law. He defined gender identity as personal conception of oneself as male or female (or both, neither). An awareness about the protection given by law to women through various women related-laws like protection of women from domestic violence, anti-sexual harassment act, anti-rape law, anti-trafficking in person act, anti-violence against women and their children act etc. was given. Mr. Prijith emphasized the importance of gender equality guaranteeing the equal rights and opportunities of women and men in all spheres of life. Students earnestly took part in discussion with the resource person and the session ended by 12.30pm.



### **Day 3: Webinar on Gender & Relation**

**TOPIC** : Gender & Relation

**NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS**: 40 Second year students

**DATE & TIME** : Sep 24, 2021 11:00 AM

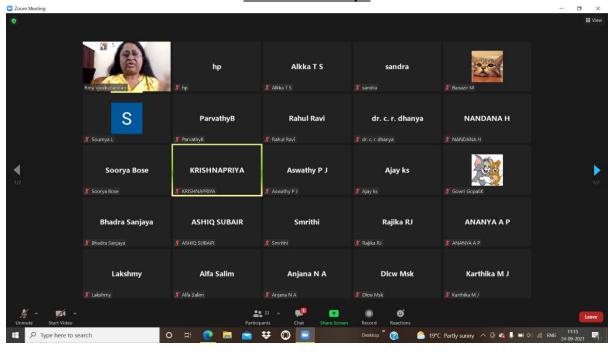
NAME OF RESOURCE PERSON: Mrs.Rina Vivekanandan, Founder & CEO, Solastra Global Pvt. Ltd.

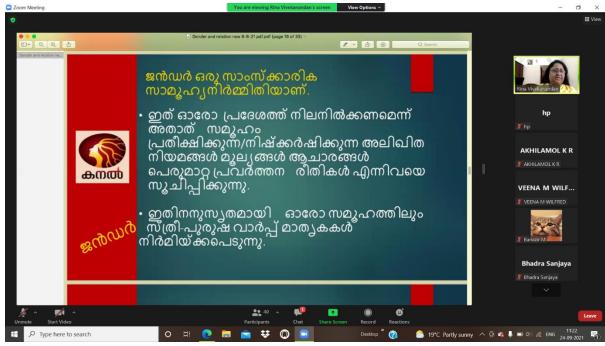
**PLATFORM** : Zoom meeting

Zoom meeting link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87317334865?pwd=eVVWUXdQU2hyS3BmUkoydzJOeVpNdz09



The resource person Mrs. Rina Vivekanandan began her talk with different forms of patriarchy existing in households and in our society. She explained gender bias by pointing out many examples from her own experience in education and employment, gender pay gap etc. In her opinion men also have emotions and feelings and only by respecting each other's feelings gender equality can be attained. She also shared several helpline numbers provided by the Government of Kerala for the protection of Women & children. Both girls and boys energetically interacted with the resource person throughout the session. Mrs. Rina emphasized that girls must get an employment in all possible ways by overcoming all the hardships they have to face on the way to accomplish their aim. The session came to an end by 12.45pm.





### **Day 4: Webinar on Gender & Relation**

TOPIC : Gender & Law

**NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS**: 30 Second year students

**DATE & TIME** : Sep 25, 2021 11:00 AM

**NAME OF RESOURCE PERSON**: Mr.Prijith P.K., Founder Secretary of Queerhytm.

**PLATFORM** : Zoom meeting

Zoom meeting link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85726475812?pwd=eHBSeXhoOGJPOFpaVVNtK2NEclhxUT09



Webinar session of Mr. Prijith on gender & law started by defining the meaning of gender in law. He explained gender identity as personal conception of oneself as male or female (or both, neither). An awareness about the protection given by law to women through various women related-laws like protection of women from domestic violence, anti-sexual harassment act, anti-rape law, anti-trafficking in person act, anti-violence against women and their children act etc. was given. Mr. Prijith emphasized the importance of gender equality guaranteeing the equal rights and opportunities of women and men in all spheres of life. Students enthusiastically took part in discussion with the resource person and the session ended by 12.45pm.

