

Activities: Women's Cell: 2009-15

1. Organized a deliberative and interactive session on "***Women and Leadership***" on the 19th of June, 2009 to mark the formal inauguration of the Cell. The programme was graced by Smt. M. Iawphniaw, Chief Post Master General, North Eastern Region.
2. Organized a Panel Discussion on 29th May, 2010 on the topic "***Women's' Reservation: Are we ready for it***". The Discussion was moderated by Sr. Xavier, Coordinator, LTS, North Eastern Region and the panelists were Shri Toki Blah, President ICARE & a Social Activist, Prof. Pascal Malngiang, Department of Political Science, NEHU, Shillong, Prof. V. Pakyntein, Department of Anthropology NEHU, Shillong, Smt. Fenella Nonglait, Lecturer, Law College, Shillong and Smt. Angela Rangad, Social Activist. The event became more meaningful since it was graced by the presence of a group of women leaders from all over the country spearheading the movement to mobilized public opinion in support of the **Women's Reservation Bill**. The movement called the **Reservation Express** was launched by ANHAD all over the country.
3. Organized a programme on "***Sexual Awareness: Behavior and Accountability***" on 8th November, 2011. Dr. J. Lyngwa, MBBS, Health and Family Welfare Center, Government of Meghalaya, was the resource person.
4. Organized a programme on "***Domestic Violence on Women and Atrocities on Women and Children***" on 16th December, 2011, at Nongmadan Community Hall, Smit village. The target group comprised of the various Women's organizations in the village and Advocate Meena Kharkongor, Government Lawyer, Jaintia Hills District & member of State Women's Commission was the resource person. The programme was also graced by Dr. Balajied Syiem, Syiem of Hima Khyrim, Mr. K. M. Syiem, Sordar Smit Pyllun and Mr. J. Khyriemujat, Rangbha Snong Nongmadan and the President and Secretary of the Seng Longkmie, Nongmadan besides members of the Cell.
5. Organized an awareness programme on "***Teenage and Pregnancy***" on May 13th, 2013, at the Conference Hall of the College.
6. Organized a popular talk on "***Human Trafficking***" on the 1st November, 2013, and Smt. Rozanna Lyngdoh from Impulse Network, a Shillong - based NGO was the resource person.
7. Women's Cell publish an ISBN Publication entitled "***Women's Wide Canvas – Issues and Challenges***", edited by Dr. Evakorlang Kharkongor and Smt. Indasien S. Warjri. The various articles included in the book have thrown light on various issues with regard to society in general and women in particular. The publication was released on 11th December, 2014; the concluding day of the Two-Day Workshop on Youth and Entrepreneurship organized by the Entrepreneurship Development Cell in collaboration with the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Youth Development Ministry of Skill Development, Entrepreneurship, Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu.
8. Organized an Awareness Programme on ***Women and Children's Rights*** in collaboration with State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR), Meghalaya State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW) and supported by Shillong Round Table – 252, and Social Welfare Department, Government of Meghalaya. The programme was held on 16th July, 2015. Advocate Meena Kharkongor, Chairperson, SCPCR and Smt. I. Warjri, Mission Director, State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW), Meghalaya, were the Resource Persons.

9. In collaboration with the Department of Garo and the Department of Hindi the Women's' Cell organized a Workshop on **"Reality Bytes"** 11th September 2015. The main objective of the workshop was to highlight the role of films and electronic media in communication, with special reference to the acquisition of linguistic skills. Smt. Sahana P. Marak, Museologist, Ministry of Art and Culture, Government of Meghalaya, was the resource person. A highlight of the programme was that two films were screened at the workshop. A documentary film entitled "MiAmua", depicting the religious ceremony of the Garos during Jhum cultivation directed was screened. The documentary was directed by Prof. L.D. Marak, Head of the Department of Garo. Also a short film entitled "Pooski Raat", based on a short story by famous Hindi writer Munshi Premchand was also screened at the workshop. Teachers and students from Shillong College participated in the workshop.
10. In collaboration with DBT Project, Civil Hospital, Shillong the Cell organized an Orientation Programme on **Breast Cancer Awareness** on 13th October, 2015. The Project is about educating young urban women on the benefits of Breast Self- Examination, causes of Breast Cancer and its preventive aspects. Dr Judita Syiemlieh, MD, Specialist and Principal Investigator, DBT Project, Civil Hospital, Shillong was the resource person.