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## AIE ORGANIZES GUEST LECTURE ON CHILD ABUSE & PROTECTION OF CHILD RIGHTS

Children are the future custodians of sovereignty, rule of law, - justice, liberty, equality, fraternity and finally international peace and security. They are a human resource, invaluable but vulnerable. Millions of children around the world are exploited, abused, and discriminated against. These children include child laborers, children affected by armed conflicts, sexually exploited children, children in conflict with the law or in the care of the state, as well as children living on the streets, coping with disabilities, or suffering from discrimination because of their religious or ethnic-minority status. To sensitize the student-teachers on such issues, Army Institute of Education organized a Guest Lecture on 'CHILD ABUSE & PROTECTION OF CHILD RIGHTS' on 09 Sep 2019. The Resource Person was Dr Upasana Singh, Founder President, Human Touch Foundation, NGO based in Greater NOIDA.

Dr Tania Gupta, Principal AIE, felicitated the distinguished guest, who took out time from her busy schedule to interact with the student-teachers of AIE. In her lecture, Dr Singh sensitized the student-teachers about various forms of child abuse, role of parents & teachers in its prevention, counselling of victims, various agencies for child protection, helpline numbers, citizen based web portals etc. She accounted that we accept child labour at nearby tea stall, local workshops & factories and other areas. Abuse could be physical, sexual or psychological. In 90% of cases accused is usually the family member or relatives. The innocent victim seek attention of trustworthy people so elders should be vigilant. Dr Singh highlighted the child rights embedded in Indian Constitution Article 21A- Right to Education, Article 23- Prohibition of traffic in human beings and forced labor, Article 24- Prohibition of Employment of Children in Factories, Article 39, Article 45

etc. She also apprised student-teachers about legislations related to children and the role of various Government agencies who are working for prevention of such acts, like

- ✓ THE IMMORAL TRAFFICKING (PREVENTION) ACT, 1956 (ITPA)
- ✓ THE CHILD LABOUR (PROTECTION AND REGULATION) ACT 1986 AND AMENDMENT ACT 2016.
- ✓ THE JUVENILE JUSTICE (CARE AND PROTECTION OF CHILDREN) ACT, 2015
- ✓ THE PROHIBITION OF CHILD MARRIAGE ACT 2006.
- ✓ RIGHT OF CHILDREN TO FREE AND COMPULSORY EDUCATION ACT, 2009 (RTE ACT)
- ✓ PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM SEXUAL OFFENCES ACT, (POSCO) 2012

The lecture was highly informative and provided the base knowledge to the future teachers on how to tackle such sensitive issues and where to approach in case of emergency.



Principal AIE felicitating Dr Singh



Dr Singh addressing the student-teachers