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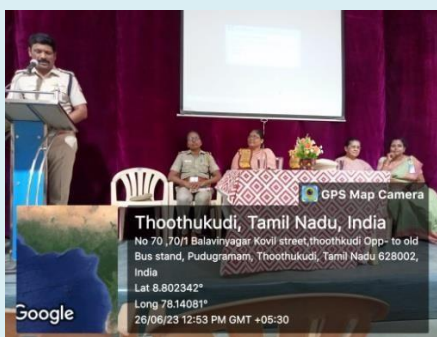
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Anti Drug Cell Report

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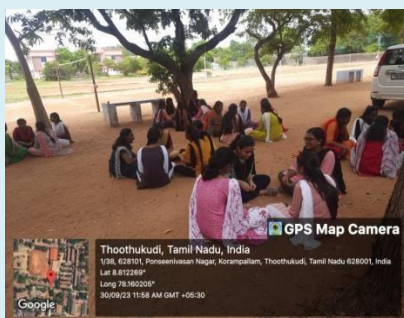
1. In view of the International day against drug abuse and trafficking observed on **26th June 2023** worldwide, the Department of Psychology and the Anti-Drug Team of St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi organised an awareness programme on the topic "Just Say NO!". Mr. Sivasubbu, DSP and Ms. C. Judy, Inspector, Bothai Porul Thadupu Matrum Mathu Vilaku Amalaka Pirivu, Thoothukudi were the resource persons. The final year UG students of Commerce and English (SSC) were the beneficiaries along with the students of the department of Psychology. The resource persons created an awareness on the impact created by drugs in the lives of young minds. Rev Sr. Dr. Jessie Fernando, Principal, St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi and Rev. Sr. Josephine Jeyarani, Director of SSC, St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi graced the occasion with their presence.



2. To create an awareness among the college students, the management organised an Oath taking session on **11th August 2023**. All the students of the institution were made to stand and take the oath. This was made to develop a sense of responsibility among the students against the use of drugs. The oath was given by the Principal and the students recited the oath.



3. Anti-Drug abuse cell conducted an awareness programme to create a drug free locality on **30th September 2023**. The minds of the youth have to be shaped strongly against using drugs, for this, the students must be aware of all the shortcomings of using drugs. To enhance this, A Group Discussion was organised wherein students sat in groups and discussed about the ill effects of using drugs. The session remained fruitful to the students.



4. To create an awareness among the students on the availability of drugs and the various drug usage methods among the students, the Department of Psychology, along with the **Anti-drug cell** of the college, organized an Awareness and Lecture Session on **18th January 2024** in the Star Hall. Mr. John Moses Giritharan, Assistant Professor, Department of Criminology, Kamaraj College, Thoothukudi was the resource person. He addressed the students on the topic Adolescent Drug Usage and created an awareness among the students.

