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REPORT ON "AIDS AWARENESS RALLY"

Date: December 5, 2024

Location: College campus to Polo View, Srinagar

Event Organized by: Red Ribbon club and NSS

Purpose: To raise awareness about HIV/AIDS prevention, testing, treatment, and the importance of reducing stigma.

INTRODUCTION:

On **05-12-2024**, a large-scale **AIDS Awareness Rally** was organized by the Red Ribbon club and NSS, under the worthy guidance of Prof. (Dr) Seema Naz (Principal of the college). 32 student participants from various courses-UG, B. Ed, M.A. enthusiastically took part in the rally. The rally aimed to educate the public about HIV/AIDS, promote prevention methods, and encourage people to seek testing and treatment. This event also sought to reduce the stigma surrounding the disease, which continues to be a significant barrier to individuals accessing care.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

1. The rally began with an opening speech by **Prof. (Dr) Seema Naz**, Principal of the college, who discussed the global impact of HIV/AIDS and the importance of early detection and treatment. **Prof Syed Altaf** (NSS PO) and **Prof Shawana Manzoor** (Nodal officer RRC) also shared their insights, emphasizing that HIV is manageable with proper care and support.
2. The rally featured a vibrant march through key areas of the city, with participants holding banners, posters and placards, all walking in solidarity to demonstrate support and call for action.
3. The rally concluded with a collective pledge led by Prof Syed Altaf (NSS PO). Participants were encouraged to continue spreading awareness, get tested regularly, and offer support to those living with HIV.

KEY MESSAGES PROMOTED:

Prevention: Safe practices, such as using condoms and regular testing, can significantly reduce the risk of HIV transmission.

Early Testing: Getting tested regularly for HIV is crucial for early detection and effective treatment.

Stigma Reduction: Discrimination and stigma surrounding HIV/AIDS can prevent people from seeking help. The rally emphasized compassion, education, and inclusion.

Treatment and Care: With modern medical advances, people living with HIV can lead healthy, fulfilling lives if they have access to proper treatment.

CONCLUSION:

The AIDS Awareness Rally was a powerful reminder of the need for ongoing education, awareness, and compassion in the fight against HIV/AIDS. It highlighted the importance of community engagement in reducing stigma, increasing access to healthcare, and encouraging preventive measures. The event was a success in fostering solidarity and commitment toward a future where HIV/AIDS is no longer a barrier to healthy living.

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