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#### **POPULATION EDUCATION CELL**

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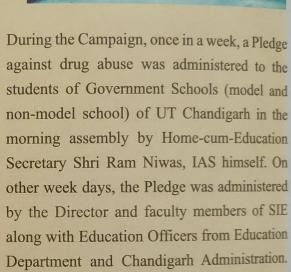


Shri Ram Niwas, IAS, Home cum Education Secretary, UT Chandigarh interacting with students during the Anti Drug Campaign at different Government Schools of UT Chandigarh. This project was initiated by Population Education Cell of State Institute of Education, UT Chandigarh

# Anti Drug Pampaign

Anti Drug Campaign an initiative of Home-cum-Education Secretary, Shri Ram Niwas, IAS, was launched at Govt. High School, Sector-7, UT Chandigarh on 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2009 (Tuesday), under Population Education Project (PEP) initiated by State Institute of Education (SIE), Sector-32, UT Chandigarh.





NGOs like "Hamari Kaksha" and "Servants of the People Society" actively participated in the



Home-cum-Education Secretary made the students aware of their Fundamental Duties and Fundamental Rights. He also discussed the health issues giving importance to personal hygiene. Social evils prevailing in society were also highlighted by him. Tree plantation drive was also a part of the campaign.

Campaign.





## Eledge Administered

#### Pledge

We, the students of ...... school, solemnly pledge never to indulge in Tobacco and Drug abuse because :

- It is a sin against humanity.
- It damages the brain and lungs.
- . It is addictive and kills.
- . It makes one weak and sick.
- \* It makes us lose perspective of right and wrong.
- It affects us, our family, our community and our country adversely.
- It harms not only us, but also people around us.

Let's join hands and work towards eradicating this menace from our lives and society and make ourselves mentally, physically and morally strong.

#### शपथ

हम ...... विद्यालय के विद्यार्थी शपथ लेते हैं कि हम कभी तम्बाकू या दूसरे नशों का सेवन नहीं करेंगे क्योंकि :

- नशा मानवता के प्रति पाप है ।
- यह हमारे दिमाग और फेफड़ों को नुकसान पहुँचाता है ।
- 💠 यह एक लत है जो घातक है ।
- यह हमें कमज़ोर और बीमार बनाता है ।
- 💠 यह हमारी अच्छा/ बुरा पहचानने की शक्ति को कमज़ोर बनाता है।
- ❖ यह हम पर, हमारे परिवार, समाज और राष्ट्र पर बुरा प्रभाव डालता है ।
- यह केवल हमें ही नहीं बिल्क हमारे आसपास के लोगों को भी नुकसान पहुँचाता है।

आइए ! हम सब मिलकर इस सामाजिक बुराई से अपने जीवन, समाज और राष्ट्र को मुक्त करें और मानसिक, शारीरिक एवं नैतिक रूप से सशक्त हो जाएं ।

Students of a Govt.
School of UT
Chandigarh taking a
Pledge under Anti
Drug Campaign



#### Chrust Areas of Ropulation Education

Population Education is a value-laden concept. Its content is culture and region bound and is inter-disciplinary in nature. The desirability of having need-based as well as a demand based curriculum, calls for a serious exercise in respect of selecting appropriate and relevant contents. The Reconceptualized Framework of Population Education has been built around the following six major themes. These are:

- 1. Population and Sustainable Development
- 2. Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women
- 3. Adolescents Reproductive Health (Adolescence Education)
- 4. Family: Socio-Economic Factors and Quality of Life
- 5. Health and Education-Key Determinant of Population Change
- 6. Population Distribution: Urbanization and Migration



The Table below shows the population of top 10 countries of the world in 2008 and would be in 2050. As projected, it may happen that India replaces China in 2050 in terms of absolute number of people.

#### TOP TEN COUNTRIES BY POPULATION SIZE

2008		
Sr. No.	Country	Population (millions)
1	China	1324.7
2	India	1149.3
3	United States	304.5
4	Indonesia	239.9
5	Brazil	195.1
6	Pakistan	172.8
7	Nigeria	148.1
8	Bangladesh	147.3
9	Russia	141.9
10	Japan	127.7

2050		
Sr. No.	Country	Population (millions)
1	India	1755.2
2	China	1437.0
3	United States	438.2
4	Indonesia	343.1
5	Pakistan	295.2
6	Nigeria	282.2
7	Brazil	259.8
8	Bangladesh	215.1
9	Congo Dem. Republi	c 189.3
10	Philippines	150.1

Source: 2008 World Population Data Sheet, Population Reference Bureau

## Our Outcomes



A two days Advocacy Programme for school principals, officers, media personnel and religious leaders was organized by PEC of SIE in which 41 principals from different schools and 46 media personnel and religious leaders participated. They interacted with the resource persons and pledged to disseminate the message to the masses.



A Training Programme for Pre-Service Teachers of State Institute of Education and Brahm Rishi Yoga Training Centre was organised, where the prospective teachers were made aware of the need for Population Education and sustainable development by eminent resource persons such as Dr. Renu Gandhi, Dr.(Ms.) Jyoti and Dr. Avnish Jolly.

A rally was organised under PEP with the sole aim of creating awareness in the general public about the social issues like Female Foeticide, Dowry, Population Explosion, AIDS, Environment Protection and Save Water etc. The public showed keen interest & joined the rally shouting slogans like "Nanhi Kalian Karen Pukaar, Maa Mujhe Garbh Mein Na Maar". Nukkar Nataks highlighting the social issues were staged at intersecting roads, where common public joined the students.



## Photo Exhibition

A Photo Exhibition on the theme "Anti Tobacco" was organized by Population Education Cell of SIE at Government Museum and Art Gallery from 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2010 to 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2010. Entries were invited from students of 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> class of all government and private schools of UT Chandigarh. The exhibition was inaugurated by Dr. (Mrs.) Saroj Yadav, Professor and Coordinator, Population Education Project, NCERT, New Delhi. On this occasion, first, second and third prize of Rs. 3000/-, 2000/- and 1000/- respectively were given to the winners.





## Women Empowerment

The great Indian Philosopher – Dr. S. Radha Krishnan once remarked that "If a man fails, we can still survive but if a woman fails there would be a disaster".

Woman's multifaceted role as a mother, a beloved, a wife, a daughter and a sister has gone down the annals of history in golden words. She has proved her supremacy in the fields of sacrifice, loving and giving, caring and sharing and immense generosity of spirit.

Even in Mythology, Durga is an embodiment of Shakti, Laxmi of Prosperity and Wealth and Saraswati of Education. These goddesses have proved that women have been worshiped and are complimentary and not supplementary force to their male counter parts. Even though man is the giver and woman is the receiver, she is still the more vital force than the two.

The Sikh Gurbani exhorts the mankind with the Shabad "So Kyun Manda Aakhiye Jit jamme Rajan". In other words, the woman always has a dominant role to shape the future of mankind.

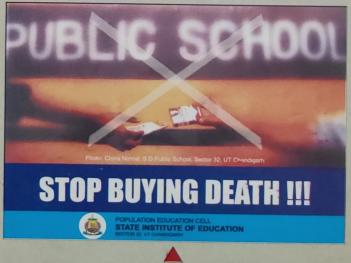


A Poster Making and Slogan Writing competition was organized by Population Education Cell. The main objective of organising this event was to make every child in the age group of 14 to 16 aware of the evil effects of drug abuse, environmental degradation and corruption in the society. All the Schools under Chandigarh Administration were directed to hold inter and intra class competitions of class 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> on the given topics. A total number of 33 schools participated and 106 entries were received. The entries were exhibited in the Govt. Museum and Art Gallery.



Role Play Competition under the guidelines of NCERT was initiated by Population Education Cell in the month of Sep.2009. In State Level Competition, ten teams participated from the UT Govt. Schools. Govt. High School, Sector 24, Chandigarh was declared the winner. The winning team stood 2<sup>nd</sup> at regional level. Further they got an opportunity to represent North Region at National level in the last week of January. The Participants made the Chandigarh Administration proud by winning 3<sup>rd</sup> position at national level. The winners were given medals & Cash prizes of Rs 500/- each at National & Regional Level. The whole programme was a big success.





Posters of the winners of Photo Competition were developed by Population Education Cell.



Shri Ajoy Sharma IAS, Director Higher Education, U T Chandigarh inaugrating the ICT Centre at State Institute of Education

"The goal of population stabilization cannot be achieved simply by adopting and promoting "Population Control" measures. We need to ensure gender equality, improvise health care facilities, provide education for all and promote sustainable development. These concerns now occupy center stage in the endeavours which is being made under the "National Population Education Project". This News Letter is the voice of the project and aims at disseminating the relevant information to educational institutions."

Dr Surender S Dahiya

"We are glad to present this News Letter on "Population Education". This News Letter unfolds perceptions in respect of population which has reached a stage where mankind accepts that population is not a number game. It is not an obstacle to development, rather an aspect of development. As a matter of fact population has always been a resource, making critical contributions to the process of development. We eagerly await to receive your views and comments."

Jasmine Josh

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