

Action Taken Report on the Annual Activism for Ending Gender-Based Violence

Introduction

In accordance with the repeated advisories issued by the UGC, advising the HEIs of the country to observe the Annual Activism Programme for Ending Gender-Based Violence, between 25.11.2025 and 10.12.2025, by way of conducting events such as mass campaigns, seminars, workshops etc., with a view to spreading awareness about the various Acts against violence on women and children among others, the Rabindra Bharati University (RBU) organised a series of programmes including mass awareness campaigns, exhibition of posters, pamphlets etc. showing the legal implications of such inhuman acts of violence and so on. On the final day of the awareness campaign, i.e. 10.12.2025, a state level seminar was organised on the topic, “Generating Awareness about the Acts against Violence on Women and Children”. Professor S. K. Chakraborty of the National University of Juridical Sciences (NUJS) addressed the audience, which comprised both students and teachers of RBU, at the seminar hall of the University.

Seminar Details

The seminar was organised by the Department of Human Rights, RBU, in league with the IQAC of the University. The proceedings of the seminar started with the address of the Coordinator of the Department of Human Rights. The invited speaker of the technical session gave a detailed description of the various Acts against violence on women and children. He particularly emphasised the role of the state in protecting the rights of the citizens. At the same time, he categorically mentioned the role of the citizens in making the society just, discrimination-free and healthy. The Chairperson of the session reiterated the words and sentiment of the speaker in her speech and asked the students community of the University to lead the battle against violence on women and children right from the front. The Dean of the Faculty of Arts concluded the seminar with his observations on how the rights of the citizens are violated in our everyday life and also on how this social menace can be triumphed. The interactive session that followed proved to be the most productive session in terms of exchanging ideas among friends and peers.

Outcome

Mass awareness about the Acts against all forms of confiscation and/or violation of human rights could successfully be generated at least among the students community of the University. They showed tremendous sense of understanding and empathy during the entire period and promised to uphold these values throughout their life.

Conclusion

The annual activism programme concluded with the collective pledge taken by the members of the University to respect each other's rights and do everything possible to protect the same in the face of assaults.