

Report of the Seminar on Addressing the Global Issues of Child Labour was organised at Govt KNM Arts and Science College, Kanjiramkulam in collaboration with Indian Institute of Public Administration, Kerala Regional Branch at EDUSAT Room on 13.9.2023, 1pm to 4pm



Inauguration of seminar by Dr.Predeepa Kumari R,Principal in charge

The seminar on *Addressing the Global Issues of Child Labour* was inaugurated by Dr.Predeepa Kumari, Principal in charge, Govt KNM Arts and Science College. In her inaugural address she cited how some most of us were fortunate enough to get education, while many of children are still working hard to eke out a living. Followed by the inauguration, Dr.G.Radhakrishna Kurup, Secretary, Kerala Regional Branch, Indian Institute of Public Administration, delivered the Presidential address. In his address, he cited the rationality behind establishment of IIPA by Pandit Jawahar Nehru in 1954, as primarily for making administration more people oriented. Dr.Kurup mentioned that IIPA was extremely delighted to have collaborated with the colleges in the conduct of seminars on socially relevant issues to make students abreast with the contemporary social changes. Dr.Krishna Kumar R, Assistant Professor of English in his felicitation address reminded the participants about the importance of conducting seminars and discussion on the issue of child labour in the social context of increasing violence against children. Invited lecture delivered by Sri.Maneesh M Nair, Consultant, UNICEF was on the topic Child Labour: Global Perspectives. The lecture started by referring to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, data representations across the globe on Child labour, causes and

consequences, the global efforts for elimination of child labour, and the possible solutions via education, poverty alleviation programmes, rising advocacy, awareness. Dr.Sonya J Nair, Assistant Professor and Head,Department of English, All Saints College, Thiruvananthapuram provided invited lecture on the representation and normalisation of child labour in media.The lecture incorporated demonstration and discussion of highlighted portions of cinemas and literature to indicate the relative deprivation. The interaction session was very engaging as the students raised queries about different schemes and programmes for protection of child rights and the need for more parent support awareness programmes tackling the issues related to child labour in an appropriate way.Dr.Jyothi S Nair,NAAC Co-ordintror welcomed the delegates and resource persons and Dr.Abduraheem MP,IQAC Co-ordinator proposed vote of thanks



Dr.G.Radhakrishna Kurup, Secretary, Kerala Regional Branch,Indian Institute of Public Administration, delivered the Presidential address



Sri.Maneesh M Nair, Consultant, UNICEF delivering invited lecture on the topic Child Labour: Global Perspectives



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