



Department of Electrical Engineering

A Brief Report of Visit to NGO "RUWA" held under WISE (Women in Science and Engineering) on Thursday, March 2, 2017

"A Kind gesture can reach a wound that only compassion can heal". With the vision to inculcate the virtue of love and compassion, giving and sharing, and above all to sensitize women towards the needs of the underprivileged section of the society, a trip to a NGO "Rajasthan University Women Association (RUWA)" organized by Department of Electrical Engineering under WISE on Thursday, March 2, 2017.

All the girls of Electrical Department with Dr. Shuchi Dave (Chairperson, WISE) & Dr. Deepika Chauhan (Faculty coordinator, WISE) reached at RUWA office situated at Janta colony Jaipur by 1:30 PM.

All the dignitaries of NGO and group of PCE girls along with faculties gathered in a Hall. **Dr. Pawan Surana**, General Secretary of the Indo-German Society, former head of the State Women's Commission and Rajasthan University Women's Association, the ex-principal of Maharani College, gave introduction, about history of its establishment and working process of RUWA. She said, "It is a short stay home. The women and girls who face any of the atrocities, including sexual assault can stay here as they do not have any other place to live. This NGO provides them various facilities and rehabilitate them. RUWA was established in year 1987. They provide legal and family counseling so that such women can overcome their challenges. There is a short stay home run by RUWA where women with problems are taken care and kept till they find solid solution for their problem. This short stay home is named 'Shakti Stambh'. She gave the information about 24 hours Helpline number for jaipur females are 0141-2609757 and one toll free no. is 10922.

The RUWA was established in 1987 by Dr. Chandra Bharill. The main objectives of RUWA are:-

- Implementation of human rights; Welfare of deprived women and members; Promote women's education and empowerment; Create awareness and environment for social justice; To provide a forum for women in higher education

They gave many examples of how and what type of cases they have handled. On 15 August 1987 they finally got a shelter for the victims to stay that was named as "Shakti Stambh" or Short Stay House. She discussed some of the cases with girls.

There are different cells which are run by RUWA named as

- Shakti Stambh; Academic Cell; Family Counseling centre;

- Bulletin and WEBSITE cell; Distressed women and Legal cell; Working Women Resident; Shishu Needh Creche; Rehabilitation cell; 24 hours Help line

Some other members of committee were also present Professor Lad Kumari Jain, Convener, Legal, Dr. kokila Jain, Vice president & Dr. Janki Moorjani Department of psychology university of rajasthan etc. All members speak on different issues faced by girls and women in society.

The members of WISE performed various activities to motivate the victims living there which were as follows:-

- Motivational speech by Neha Khandelwal, IV year and Gargi Sharma, III year
- A motivational song by Neha Kumari, III year
- Distribution of chocolates among RUWA members

It was disheartening and strengthening at the same time, to have heard the stories of few troubled women across Rajasthan and how they dealt with their harsh situations. Many of them got justice, but sadly, some of them bore irreversible consequences, like a teacher and her daughter. At the end Dr. Shuchi Dave gave vote of thanks to NGO members regarding their session for PCE Girls. She also presents some mementoes to the members of committee as a token of thanks from Poornima College of Engineering. Session was ended by 3.00 pm. Student were happy and motivated after the session.



