Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women

Sector 36-A, Chandigarh (U.T.)

RUSA sponsored Workshop and Mock Drill for Disaster Management in association with the Disaster Management Committee

In a first of its kind endeavour, the RUSA team of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for

Women, in association with the Disaster Mangement Committee of the college, organized a Workshop and Mock Drill to generate awareness about the techniques and strategies required for disaster management. A team from the National Disaster Response Force 7th Battalion, Bathinda, Punjab apprised the students, faculty and the support staff of various measures which can minimize the catastrophic effects of any disaster.

Through examples of various disasters which our country has witnessed in the recent past like tsunami, cloudbursts, fire, earthquakes and cyclones, Inspector Nukul underlined the fact that loss of human lives and property could have been much less if there was more aware of the ways of handling these crises. He also discussed the multi-layered role of the Disaster Response Team. A team of 21 members demonstrated handling of the situation in case of an earthquake, fire, flood and accident like operation of safety equipments and evacuation in these cases. CPR, in case of a stroke, was also well-illustrated by the team. The demonstration of rescuing people from high-rise building with the help of ropes was also undertaken by the team.

An exhibition of equipment used for disaster management like boats and diving suits used during flood or cyclones, Aska Lights for rescue operations, Victim Location Device and Seismic and Acoustic signal devices along with tools used for detecting radiation was a huge draw. The team described in detail the functioning of all these devices.

Principal Dr Nisha Bhargava applauded the dedicated team for playing an indispensable role in rescue operations. She congratulated the RUSA Team and Disaster Management Committee for arranging this enlightening workshop for generating awareness on this highly relevant issue.