## CHILD MARRIAGE PROHIBITION

## **REPORT**

On 12.12.2022 (Monday) Mrs. S. Kausalya from Rediyar Chatratra Union office, Jhansi Rani - Admin OSC and Thavachelvi - OSC went to each class and explained in detail to the students about the problems caused by child marriage in our engineering college. This event started at 11.00 am. Around 190 students participated with great enthusiasm. Their explanation of Causes and Impact of Child Marriage are as follows: Child marriage is no less than exploitation of right. In almost all places, the child must be 18 years and above to get married. Thus, marrying off the child before the age is exploiting their right. One of the most common causes of child marriage is the tradition which has been in practice for a long time. In many places, ever since a girl is born, they consider her to be someone else's property. Similarly, the elders wish to work out their family's expansion so they marry off the youngsters to characterize their status. Most importantly, poor people practice child marriage to get rid of their loans, taxes, dowry and more. The impact of child marriage can be life-changing for children, especially girls. The household responsibilities fall on the children. They are not mentally or physically ready for it, yet it falls on them. While people expect the minor boys to bear the financial responsibilities, the girls are expected to look after the house and family. Their freedom to learn and play is taken away. Further, their health is also put at risk due to the contraction of sexually transmitted diseases like HIV and more. Especially the girls who get pregnant at a young age, it becomes harmful for the mother as well as the baby.

At last the event finished at 01.00 pm with child marriage prohibition pledges from students.

NSS Coordinator Principal







