

Citizen Consumer Club Seminar Report

On 20th August 2024, the Citizen Consumer Club of the Laidlaw Memorial School and Junior College organized a seminar on "Responsible Citizenship - Consumer Responsibilities" and on the "Salient Features of POCSO Act 2012". The event took place in the Breeden Hall from 2:30 to 4: 15 p.m. and was attended by students of Classes IX and XI.

The function was presided over by our Officiating Principal, Mr. R. Nelthropp. The seminar commenced with a Welcome Address by R. Nithin of Class XII.

Dr. S. J. Parameswari, Coordinator of the Citizen Consumer Club, delivered a brief speech outlining the objectives of the club.

Mr. S. Manohar, President of the Coonoor Consumer Protection Association gave an insightful speech on "Responsible Citizenship". He addressed the evolving behaviour of consumers in today's world, emphasizing the link between consumerism and environmental impact, the harmful effects of junk food, and the values of simplicity for children.

Ms. V. Nithya, Supervisor, Child Help Line, District Child Protection Unit, delivered a special presentation on the POCSO Act 2012. She highlighted the importance of child protection, discussed the negative effects of social media, and provided practical examples to illustrate the limitations of mobile usage. A series of educational videos on the POCSO Act were also shown to the students.

The program was organized by Deputy Head Master Mr. R. Vasu. The program concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by K. Poornachandrika of Class XI.