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**VET Institute of Arts and Science (Co-education) College**

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**2 DAY AWARENESS PROGRAM IN TRIBAL SETTLEMENTS OF ANTHIYUR,  
ERODE ON “EDUCATION FOR ALL, TEENAGE PREGNANCY AND CHILD  
MARRIAGE” THROUGH STREET PLAY ON 26 AND 27 JANUARY 2023**

**OBJECTIVES OF THE VISIT:**

- To engage in active learning experience in both inside and outside the classroom.
- To have an interaction with the tribal people.
- To make awareness regarding abolition of Child marriage, Teenage pregnancy, importance of rights of the girl child and Education for all.

On 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023, as part of extension activity the students of B.A. Sociology went to Anthiyur tribal settlements to create awareness through street play about teenage pregnancy, child marriage and education for all for the tribal people living in and around the tribal areas.

On 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 after hoisting the National flag in VET Institute of Arts and Science (Co- Education) College Thindal, Erode, the bus commenced by 10 AM. The Students reached the place around 2.30PM and after 3.30PM the students went to to enact the street play near the market to create awareness among the shop owners and the people living over there. They watched the street play and had an interface with the students by sharing their views while asking the feedback

On the next day the street play was enacted in the morning at the Secondary School of enamangalam, functioning under the centrally sponsored scheme Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) for the students of 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> standard. The head Mistress, faculties and the students of the school enjoyed the street play and also got the good ideas about education for all, teenage pregnancy and child marriage.

Around 2.00PM students enacted the street play at the Government Residential Tribal school. The Vice President and ward members of the Panchayat along with Head Master,

faculties and students of 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> standard. They enjoyed the street play and understood the essence of the street play.

### **IN ENNAMANGALAM:**

In Secondary School, few students shared their views about the street play:

- a. Need for education of a girl child
- b. Need for equal rights for girls
- c. The correct age for marriage of girls

The school administration of Secondary School, appreciated the students who performed in the street play and revealed that the street play clearly shown about the issues of child marriage, teenage pregnancy in the contemporary society. The teachers of the school appreciated the performers of street play and shared their views on importance of education which can effectively create impact on lives of individuals as well as the society.

### **IN VIRALIKATUR**

In Government School, Viralikatur, Erode District, many students shared their perception and thoughts on the child marriage, teenage pregnancy.

The teachers suggested the students of VET Institute of Arts and Science (Co-Education) College, Thindal, Erode to create awareness using street plays on the topics like “importance of higher education, hygiene etc.

### **IMPORTANT FINDINGS**

- The people who live their lead a normal standard of living.
- Recently Government has initiated Mobile unit ambulance services to the area.
- The bus operates 4 times in a day that is in morning 7.00 am and 10.00 am and in afternoon 1.30 pm and 3.30 pm which affects the normal life as well s schooling of the children.

### **CONCLUSION:**

- The Students of VET Institute of Arts and Science (Co-Education) College, Thindal, Erode learned about the tribal settlements.