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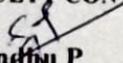
The Department of History, Mercy College, Palakkad, in association with YMCA Palakkad, organized an insightful awareness session on “*Domestic Violence and Women’s Rights in India*” on 16 October 2025. The programme aimed to educate students on legal rights, social awareness, and the need for proactive measures in combating domestic violence.

The session was led by Adv. Sheeba Nandajan, Deputy Director of Prosecution, Palakkad, who shared her extensive experience in handling cases related to women’s rights and legal protection. She elaborated on the key provisions of the *Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005* and the *Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961*, emphasizing their importance in safeguarding women from abuse and dowry-related harassment. The talk also explored other related legal provisions that safeguard women’s dignity and rights within the family and society.

Adv. Sheeba emphasized the importance of awareness and legal literacy as tools for empowerment, urging students to stand against discriminatory practices and support victims of violence through empathy and informed action.

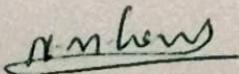
The session was highly interactive, with students actively engaging in discussions, raising questions on legal procedures, and reflecting on ways to challenge social norms that perpetuate violence.

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