Report on Workshop on 'Cyber Sentinel: Safeguarding our Digital World'

Date: 30th April 2024

Venue: Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Lakhuwas, Sohna

Event Type: Workshop

Mode of Activity: Offline

Target Group: 9th – 12th standard students

Coordinators: Dr Mina Kumari (NSS member) and Neeraj Kumari (NSS Coordinator)

Organized by: NSS, K R Mangalam University, Gurugram

Resource Person: Mr. Amar Saraswat, Assistant Professor, School of Engineering & Technology, K. R. Mangalam University, Gurugram.

Participants during awareness session: More than 81 students women of NGO and 17 NSS volunteers

Introduction:

In the digital world, where the craze of social media is increasing day by day among the students, the concern of cyber bullying and cyber security is pertinent. Students as well as parents need to be well-informed of what steps they can take to keep their children safe. With this notion, NSS K. R. Mangalam University organized a workshop on Cyber Sentinel: Safeguarding our Digital World on 30th April 2024 in Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Lakhuwas, Sohna.

Objectives:

The main motive to organize the session was to educate the students about the risks and preventive measures associated with cyber activities. The workshop aimed to equip students with essential knowledge to stay safe in the digital world.

Content:

The event was started by Dr. Neeraj Kumari, NSS Coordinator where she briefed about the workshop. Dr. Neeraj welcomed all the participants and introduced the resource person to the participants. The workshop was conducted in two sessions. In first session, Dr. Kumari engaged the students in discussions about

various social media platforms. It was noted that approximately 90% of the students actively use platforms such as WhatsApp, Facebook, Instagram, and Snapchat.

The session was preceded by Mr. Saraswat where he presented real-life examples of cybercrime incidents. He highlighted that the cybercrime cell receives over 10 lakh complaints from users every month. Emphasizing the importance of cybersecurity, Mr. Saraswat advised the participants to regularly update their social media account passwords and keep their profiles private. NSS volunteers provided assistance to participants in implementing these measures. Additionally, Mr. Saraswat cautioned against answering calls from unknown numbers.

During the second session, students had hands-on learning experiences with social media platforms. NSS volunteers helped the students in ensuring the security of their social media accounts using their mobile phones.. Dr. Neeraj Kumari concluded the session by sharing real-life instances where individuals fell victim to cybercrime facilitated by Artificial Intelligence. She urged participants to refrain from sharing personal information with unknown individuals.

Conclusions:

The workshop on cybercrime awareness at Government School, Lakhuwas, effectively addressed the growing concerns surrounding online security. By educating students about cyber threats and preventive measures, the workshop played a significant role in promoting a safer and more responsible use of technology among the youth. Such initiatives are essential in building a digitally literate and secure society.

Event outcome:

Overall, the workshop served as a valuable opportunity for students to gain awareness and practical insights into safeguarding their digital presence against cyber threats. The workshop on cybercrime awareness proved to be highly beneficial for the students at Government School, Lakhuwas. It enhanced their understanding of the risks associated with online activities and empowered them with knowledge to protect themselves in the digital space.

Dr. Neeraj briefed about the workshop

Mr. Amar Di   ention measures

Participants during the workshop

A group photograph with participants and NSS volunteers

Participants during securing of their chats on WhatsApp

NSS volunteer helped the participants to keep their profile private on social media