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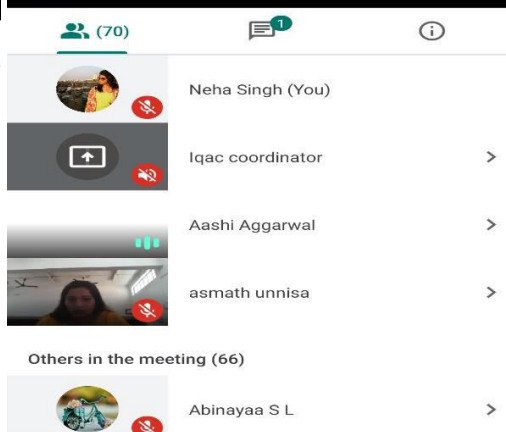
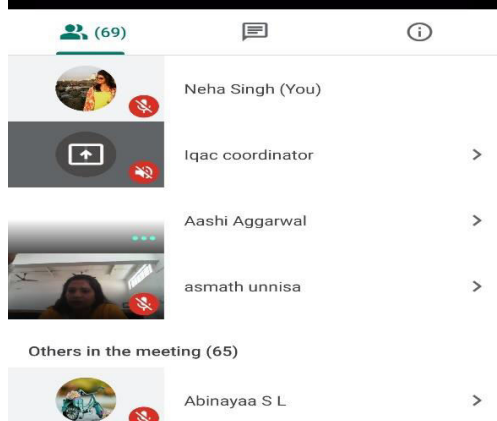
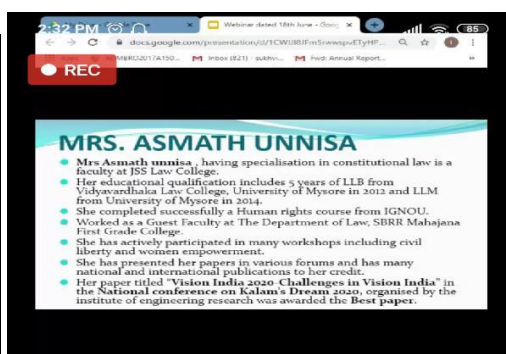
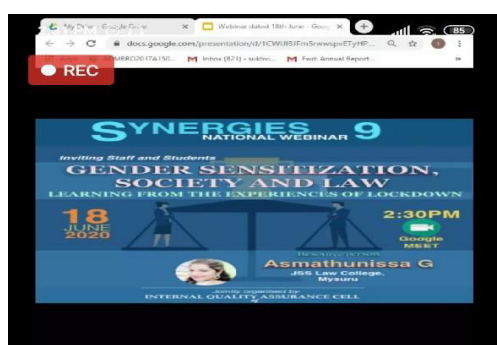
Gender Sensitisation, Society and Law: Learning from the Experiences of Lockdown

The Internal Quality Assurance Cells (IQAC) of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Khalsa College, Bhopal School of Social Sciences and Anand Institute of Social Work had collaboratively organised Synergies National Webinar 9 on Gender Sensitisation, Society and Law: Learning from the Experiences of Lockdown on 18th June, 2020. The webinar was organised for the staff and the students. Mrs Asmathunnisa from JSS Law College, Mysuru was the resource person of the webinar. Students from the three institutions were given an opportunity to introduce the audience with the speaker.

Mrs Asmathunnisa explained the audience how the women since the Rig Vedic times have continued to face the discrimination and exclusion owing to the sexual politics created by the society. In times of COVID'19 pandemic the world witnessed a surge in the cases of domestic violence. The women struggled against 'virus and violence' simultaneously. In order to counter the rise in the cases of domestic violence and sexual abuse, she made the audience aware about the various initiatives taken at the international, national and local levels. WHO clinical handbook, 24*7 available lockdown Government helpline number, Women and Child Development department initiative, UP State Slogan were few of the initiatives that could be accessed at times of distress. She even discussed general and specific guidelines like sexual and reproductive health services, creation of appropriate gender etc. In the end, she shared a small video to highlight the narratives of domestic violence by the victims.

The students conducted the interactive session of question and answer between the participants and the resource person. The webinar was well received and the speaker took up some queries raised by the participants.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks, which was delivered by Neha Singh from Sri Guru Nanak Dev Khalsa College.



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But for several women, 'staying home' does not equal to safety. Many are unfortunately, trapped with their abusers with nowhere to go

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National Crime Records Bureau, 2018

Cruelty by husband or his relatives

around one-third of the crimes against women are registered under 'cruelty by husband or his relatives'

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Only 12% of woman who have suffered violence from husband sought help - NFHS 2015

Only 12 % of woman who have suffered violence from husband have sought any form of help, reveals National Family Health Survey of 2015