



Legal Aid Society

ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad

Report of the speed mentoring program on Awareness on Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, on 4th November 2025.

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School at IFHE, Hyderabad, organized a legal awareness program focused on the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, at the International School, Shaikpet, Hyderabad, Telangana, on November 4, 2025. Approximately 200 students from the 9th and 12th grades, along with the school's Director, Principal, and teachers, participated in the program. Faculty members discussed various provisions of the Act related to child sexual abuse, including safe and unsafe touch, as well as the penalties for offenders.

During the program, the faculty emphasized the importance of the POCSO Act, highlighting the significance of consent and respecting personal boundaries among children and teens. They explained concepts like grooming and manipulation to help students recognize warning signs of child sexual abuse. The discussion guided students on how to respond to and report unsafe situations confidently. Furthermore, it underscored the role of teachers and adults in fostering a culture of safety, trust, and respect for every child.

Legal aid members presented a poster outlining the process for reporting sexual abuse to parents, the police, and the school disciplinary committee. Additionally, students performed a mime act to raise awareness about child abuse, demonstrating ways children can protect themselves. They shared vital information about the child helpline number (1098), the police helpline number (100), and the POCSO eBox facility under the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights. A game activity centered on awareness made the session more interactive for the students.

Feedback from attendees indicated that they gained a clear understanding of the POCSO Act and its various provisions. The Act emphasizes that students should not remain silent if they experience sexual abuse; they should report such incidents immediately to their parents, the police, or school authorities. The event was funded by the IFHE Management under the guidance of Prof.Dr. Ravisekararaju, Director, ICFAI Law School, Hyderabad to promote legal literacy in Telangana.

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రాయదుర్గం, న్యూస్టుడే: షేక్ పేట ఇంటర్నేషనల్ స్కూల్లో పోక్సో చట్టంపై అవగాహన కార్యక్రమం జరిగింది. మంగళవారం లీగల్ ఎయిడ్ సొసైటీ ఆఫ్ ఇక్నాయ్ లా స్కూల్ ఆధ్వర్యంలో నిర్వహించారు. చిన్నారులకు లైంగిక వేధింపులు, సురక్షిత స్పర్శపై అవగాహన కల్పించారు. పోక్సో చట్టం ఆవశ్యకతపై గోడ పత్రిక ప్రదర్శించారు. దీనిపై ఇక్నాయ్ విద్యార్థులు లఘు నాటిక ప్రదర్శించారు. లైంగిక వేధింపులకు గురైతే విద్యార్థులు మౌనంగా ఉండకూడదని, వెంటనే తల్లిదండ్రులు, ఉపాధ్యాయులు, పోలీసులకు తెలపాలని సూచించారు. ఏమైనా సమస్యలు ఎదురైతే 1098, 100 సంబర్లకు ఫోన్ చేయాలని కోరారు.



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ICFAI Law School's Legal Aid Society Empowers 200 Shaikpet Students with POC SO Awareness

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The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School, IFHE Hyderabad, took its fight against child sexual abuse to the corridors of International School, Shaikpet, today, reaching exactly 200 students from classes 9 to 12 in a hard-hitting, interactive session on the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POC SO) Act, 2012.

Flanked by the school's Di-

rector, Principal and a full complement of teachers, the faculty team stripped the Act down to its essentials: what counts as safe touch versus unsafe touch, the grim penalties awaiting offenders, and the red flags of grooming and manipulation. "Consent and boundaries are not adult concepts—they start in the playground," one faculty member told the rapt audience.

A hand-painted poster tracing the exact reporting route—parent → school disci-

plinary committee → police—went up on the auditorium wall within the first ten minutes. Minutes later, a student mime troupe acted out a silent but searing skit: a child spotting danger, saying "no", dialing 1098, and watching justice roll in. The applause was deafening.

The session closed with an energetic quiz-game that had teams shouting out the Police emergency number (100) and explaining the POC SO e-Box, an online complaint portal run



by the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights. Every correct answer earned a sticker, every wrong one

earned a promise to memorise the helpline before dinner. Feedback forms collected at the exit told the real story.

"I always thought 'tell an adult' meant my secret would spread. Now I know who to trust and how," wrote a Class



10 student. A teacher added, "Our staff briefing tomorrow will copy your reporting flow-chart—word for word."

Fully funded by IFHE Management, the programme is part of a wider Telangana push to make legal literacy as routine as morning assembly. "Silence is the abuser's best friend," the Legal Aid Society

president told reporters outside the school gate. "Two hundred voices just got louder."

For any child reading this: you are never alone. Dial 1098 or 100, drop a mail to POC SO e-Box, or walk straight to the Principal's office. The law—and an army of trained adults—has your back.

