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Introduction

The Department of Education organized a screening of the Hindi film "Madam Geeta Rani" for the F.Y.B.Ed. students as part of the course on "Gender, School, and Society." The film aimed to provide an engaging medium to explore the depiction of women in mass media, particularly focusing on the role of women educators in societal reform and leadership.

The event emphasized the importance of critical media literacy in understanding how gender roles and stereotypes are perpetuated or challenged in popular culture, with the aim of linking these themes to the educational context.

Objectives of the Screening

- 1. Examine Media Representation of Women: To critically analyze how women are portrayed in mass media and understand the implications of these depictions on societal attitudes toward gender roles.
- 2. **Highlight Women as Change Agents**: To showcase women in leadership roles, especially in education, as a source of inspiration for future educators.

- 3. **Promote Gender Sensitivity in Education**: To encourage students to reflect on gender biases and stereotypes in their personal and professional lives and adopt gender-sensitive practices in their classrooms.
- 4. Link Media Narratives to Social Realities: To understand how media narratives can shape perceptions about women's roles and influence the aspirations of students and educators alike.
- 5. Encourage Critical Thinking About Gender Norms: To inspire future educators to challenge traditional gender norms and contribute to creating a more equitable and inclusive educational environment.

Event Summary

The screening began at 10:45 AM in the Seminar Hall, with active participation from F.Y.B.Ed. students and faculty. The film *"Madam Geeta Rani"* tells the story of a determined school principal who confronts societal prejudices and brings transformative changes to her school.

The protagonist's journey was a powerful depiction of a strong female leader overcoming systemic challenges such as gender discrimination, cultural stereotypes, and outdated practices in the education system.

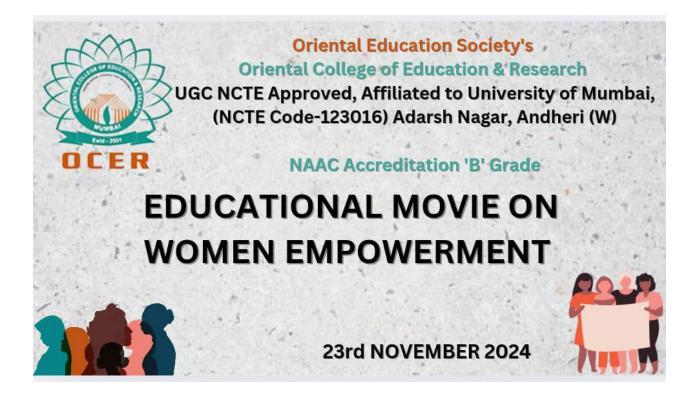
Following the screening, a discussion session was conducted where students reflected on the themes of the movie. Many appreciated how the film challenged stereotypical representations of women and emphasized the importance of women in leadership roles.

Outcomes

- Students gained awareness of the influence of mass media in shaping societal perceptions of women and their roles in education and leadership.
- The screening encouraged students to critically engage with media narratives and their implications for gender equality.
- Students were inspired to adopt inclusive and equitable practices in their future teaching careers, recognizing their role in challenging stereotypes.

Conclusion

The screening of "*Madam Geeta Rani*" was a valuable learning experience, successfully addressing the themes of gender, school, and society. By examining the portrayal of women in mass media, the session encouraged students to critically evaluate their role as educators in fostering gender equity and societal transformation.







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