

PB&J Club, Session (23.03.24)

Navigating Feminism in the Digital Age

Topic:

Navigating contemporary feminism in digital age- “Feminism isn’t about making women strong. Women are already strong. It’s about changing the way the world perceives that strength.”

Participants attended:

12

Mode:

Online (at 12 noon)

Explanation:

This is to bring to your kind notice that PB&J club conducted its eighth session on 23rd March 2024. This session was in online format and the topic was ‘Navigating contemporary feminism in digital age’. The students were briefed about the session through the poster and notice. Interesting inputs were produced throughout the discussion on the power of social media and online platforms, individuals having an opportunity to amplify their voices and advocate for gender equality like never before, digital landscape’s own set of complexities and obstacles from online harassment to misinformation.

The following aspects were covered in the session-

- Meaning of empowerment as people having control over their own choices and lives.
- Change has taken place throughout patriarchy
- Definition of empowerment is subjective to people and their experiences.
- Feminism is being able to choose to work or not. There are rural and urban differences in women’s routines.
- Struggles of men and women are seen as competition.
- Men and women tea cup emoji
- who is right and wrong in the struggle
- women's cricket - conversation are going around
- Some set of people are stagnant of their position as a man
- Communication with the opposite gender is important to regulate needs of both the genders.
- Society doesn't teach how to deal with opposite gender from childhood, upbringing matters a lot.
- In schools, girls and boys are made to sit separately - where the difference begin.
- Teachers at school judge girls for talking to boys.
- Genders are shaped by culture especially by internalized misogyny and patriarchy affecting women; women by their generational trauma as they were deprived of opportunities, try to control other women around them
- There is a generation gap in upbringing of gen Z
- Women's right to her body- fertility rates dropping down

- Capitalism and advertisements influencing women to have kids, get into relationships.
- Some women fought without resources to give us the resources and opportunities to have an opinion today
- To conclude feminism is an informed choice.

Conclusion

Gender roles and discrimination are taught since the beginning of childhood due to patriarchy and internalized misogyny. There is an increasing role of media influences including advertisements, films and most importantly, social media on the youth which can act as an imperative medium to teach equality in terms of opportunities and choices to children.