

## **THE TALK**

### **VIGILANCE AWARENESS WEEK**

**"Vigilance is not only the price of liberty but of success of any short"**

**Parivartan, the NSS unit of Mata Sundri College for Women organized an event called TALK, topic Independent India@75 self-reliant with integrity**

**on the occasion of the vigilance Awareness week on 30th October 2021 at 5:00 PM as part of the ongoing activities taken up under Vigilance Awareness Week which is running from 26 October to 1 November 2021. 39 numbers of volunteers took part in it. Sana and Diya took their responsibility and explained why and how we celebrate Vigilance Awareness Week. How important it is to be vigilant and how we can do our bit in improving India's situation. In the end, there was also a QUIZ competition in which every volunteer took part.**

**The aim of the event was to recognize the ills of corruption and promote ways to combat it at an individual as well as systemic level. According to a 2020 report by corruption watchdog Transparency International, India has the highest bribery rate in Asia and the greatest number of people who use personal connections to access public services. The Global Corruption Barometer (GCB) – Asia, found that nearly 50 percent of those who paid bribes were asked to, while 32 percent of those who used personal connections said they would not receive the service otherwise. That's why all volunteers pledged to take steps in order to curbing down corruption and promote transparency.**

**The theme for 2021's Vigilance Awareness Week was 'Independent India @75 - Self-Reliant with Integrity' and it is driven by Central Vigilance Commission. It coincides with the birthday of 'Iron Man of India', Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who played a key role in the political integration of 565 princely states to independent India. The initiative aims to bring together all the stakeholders when fighting against the scourge of corruption. Promoting transparency and honesty, especially in educational institutions and corporations, as well as strengthening anti-corruption institutions might be the way forward for India if it truly wants to achieve its socio-economic development goals. And Vigilance Awareness Week could serve as a reminder of the importance of continuing the fight against corruption both at national and individual levels.**