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Press Release

ANTI-DRUG AWARENESS PROGRAM ON DRUG ABUSE

The Anti-Drug Committee of Bharathidasan University organized an awareness programmeon drug abuse on March 5, 2025. The event featured Mr. L. Bhaskar, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Narcotics Intelligence Bureau, Tiruchirappalli, and Ms. S.SelvaSundari, Divisional Excise Officer, Tiruchirappalli, as key speakers.

The programme commenced with a welcome address by the Coordinator, Dr. A. AntonyJoseph Velanganni. Prof.V.Rajesh Kannan, Member of the Vice-Chancellor's Committee & Syndicate Member, Bharathidasan University, delivered the presidential address, emphasizing the crucial role of students in maintaining a drug-free society. Prof.R.Kalidasan, Registrar (i/c), Bharathidasan University, in his inaugural address, highlighted the University's commitment to fostering a drug-free campus.

The chief speakers were introduced by Dr.M.Anusuyadevi Jayachandran and Dr.C. Kubendran, members of the Anti-Drug Committee. More than 500 students from various disciplines of Bharathidasan University actively participated in the awareness programme.

Mr.L.Bhaskar elaborated on the dangers of drug addiction, urging students to cultivate a passion for positive pursuits instead of harmful habits. He introduced the Tamil Nadu Government's drug-free initiative app, encouraging students and the public to report drug-related issues for prompt action by authorities. He also discussed the health risks, societal consequences, and emotional impact of drug addiction, stressing the importance of education and personal growth.

Ms.S.SelvaSundari illustrated her speech with real-life incidents from across Tamil Nadu, explaining the negative consequences of drug abuse and how making positive choices leads to personal and societal upliftment.

A pledge against drug abuse taken by all participants followed by vote of thanks by Dr.T.Sivasudha, and rhe programme ended with the National Anthem.

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