THINK HEALTH NOT DRUGS

Drugs are a kind of psychoactive substance which people take to change the way they feel behave or think. Drug abuse is a patterned use of substance (drug) in which the user consumes the substance in amounts or with methods neither approved nor supervised by medical professionals. Use of drugs may lead to criminal penalty in addition to physical, social and psychological harm, both strongly depending on local jurisdiction. Drug abuse and addiction are major burdens to society.

As a part of awareness campaign, Shri Hariom Gandhi, Zonal director, Narcotics Control Bureau, Ahmadabad, organized a seminar on THINK HEALTH NOT DRUGS on Thursday, 3rd April, 2014 at Silver Oak College of Engineering and Technology to educate youth about negative effects of various kinds of drug addictions.

Dr. Shaurin Shah, Principal of Silver Oak College of Engineering and Technology greeted Shri Hariom Ganghi with flowers. Darshil Zalan, a student of 2nd semester welcomed the faculty members and audience and introduced about the seminar. Then Shri Hariom Gandhi started the presentation explaining three new dangers, today’s youth life style, drugs and internet.

He spoke on the harmful effects caused by alcohol and nicotine addiction which is very common in youth and is available very easily and legally. He threw some light on heroin, expanding market of cocaine, synthetics, increased smuggling of cannabis and poly drug abuse which is new phenomenon. He explained how Afghanistan, 80% world opium heroin producer lost its culture and how illegal business is carried out. He nicely answered to the questions raise by the students like what are the signs of drug abuse? Why do we fall prey to drug? What are the physical and behavioral symptoms? etc.

The visual presentation had some images of well known personality who were on the verge of destruction because drugs felt good at first but later, started ruining their lives. It was a huge hit. Sir told about the story of a guy whose life was ruined due to drug addiction through his heart touching pictures at different stage of life. He explained role of Narcotics Control Bureau and punishment for drug abuse in India. The whole seminar nicely explained “Prevention is better than cure, Cure is better than punishment”.

Last but not the least, Mr. Nirav Patel, a faculty member was at the podium for vote of thanks to Shri Hariom Gandhi, Dr. Shaurin Shah, Mr. Minkal Patel and all other faculty members for their coordination and especially audience who gave full support.