



International Women's Day 2018

ISAY- India Safe Abortion Youth Advocates



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St. George Hospital, Fort



International Women's Day is celebrated on 8th March every year and to create awareness about women's rights on this day, the gynaecology ward at St. George Hospital decorated the OPD and wards. Charts were also put up which spoke about empowerment of women along with a few motivational quotes.

The Chief Minister of Maharashtra, along with the Dean of Grant Medical College and J.J Group of Hospitals addressed the various issues faced by females in the healthcare set up and what measures can be taken to ensure that the rights of these women aren't ignored anymore.



In an effort to start the conversation among the patients in the ward, Youth Champion Zainab Engineer along with her colleague Smita Bokhare addressed the young women about the essence of Women's Day. The discussion mainly focused on the ignorance of health and educational rights among women and how small steps taken by each individual can help bring a change especially for the future generations.

Women cater to the needs of the entire family without giving a second thought about their own and society has reached a point where the importance of these needs is conveniently neglected. At such a time the women need to stand together and ask for their rights because no one is going to fight their battles for them. The patients recognized the disadvantages of the illiteracy prevalent among many of them and vowed to encourage their children to pursue a career of their choice. The discussion ended on a motivational note where they also spoke about the importance of women supporting each other in their pursuits and following their dream no matter what age, caste or socioeconomic strata they belong to.