

RAJASTHAN UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (RUWA)

Established in 1975

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WE ARE:

- A 'non' political
- Non discriminatory
- Social service oriented voluntary women's organisation
- With 400 women members from the University, affiliated colleges and higher education institutions, Student/Wives of staff.
- Committed to the cause

OUR MAIN OBJECTIVES

- To provide a forum for women in higher education.
- Ensure nondiscrimination of women in the field of education, employment and other social conditions.
- Create awareness and environment for social justice.
- Initiate and support efforts for removal of social evils and conditions that are detrimental to the status, image and dignity women.
- Promote women's education and empowerment thus contributing to their participation in national development.
- Welfare of deprived women and members.

- Undertake relief works in times of natural calamities.
- Implementation of human rights.

SOME OF OUR ACTIVITIES

- Creating awareness and environment against discrimination
- Organising awareness programmes discussions, seminars, workshops, debates, poster competitions.
- Providing support to all women in distress.
- Personal contact and counseling
- Legal and Medical Aid
- Short Stay Home facility
- Fighting violence against women
- Liaison with police and administration.
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- Work is discharged by different cells.
- MSSK (Women protection and security centre at Women Police Station, Banipark, Jaipur till 2020)
- Associating with other peer groups on common issues.
- Assistance through out 24 hours by helpline.
- Follow-up and Rehabilitation

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

RUWA's efforts were instrumental in.

- Establishment of an independent centre for women's studies in the Rajasthan university campus in 1981.
- Suggested amendments to important laws related to women from 1975 to present
- Establishment of first Women Police Station of Rajasthan at Jaipur March, 1989.
- Establishment of Working Women's Residence in Rajasthan University campus
- Establishment and managing 'Shakti Stambh' Short Stay Home for distressed women.
- Providing shelter, counseling and rehabilitation to many women.
- Generating awareness against 'Sati, Dowry ,female foeticide and other social evils.
- Initiated and worked towards the establishment of National as well as State Commission for Women.

- Establishment “Kinder-Garden” (Shishu Needh) for working women.

SWADHAR GREH “SHAKTI STAMBH” SHORT STAY HOME FOR WOMEN “RUWA”

- Foundation in 1987 by RUWA
- Shelter and rehabilitation for all women in need
- Admission to women aged 18 to 60 years.
- Free boarding and lodging , medical treatment
- Free counseling by experts and RUWA members
- Legal aid and police assistance provided
- Economic employment by placement and self-employment, training in handicraft and developing skills, improving qualifications.
- Mutual compromise by consultation with both parties.
- Free education and care of children of the residents from 0 to 12 years.
- Some special training programmes: computer programming typing and short hand, nursing, jewellery making, food preservation, library science, teacher training, gem cutting, tailoring and embroidery, tie and dye, cards and rakhees.

CELLS OF RUWA

REHABILITATION CELL

- Making women economically independent
- Placement provision
- Training and developing special skills.
- Entrepreneurship
- Adult education
- Improvement of qualifications
- Computer education

FAMILY COUNSELLING CENTRE “RUWA”

- Founder by RUWA in 1987
- Operation area: Rajasthan and other states
- Objectives: to help the client to regain emotional balance, find inner strength to enable her to find alternatives to restart her life
- Work Procedure: Registration of the client, counseling sessions with the committee, settlement according to the need of the cases

- Structure of the committee: Minimum two RUWA members, counselor, client or other related parties
- Type of cases: Family problems, women's harassment, alcoholism, dowry death/ murder, desertion, divorce, maintenance, rape, kidnapping, restitution of conjugal rights etc.
- Awareness : Family Life Education programme, Legal Literacy Camps, Health awareness and checkup camps and workshops, establishing units in colleges for "Youth and Personal Relations"

SHISHU NEEDH (CRECHE)

- Founded in 1992 as a part of the Working Women's Residence on Rajasthan University Campus.
- To provide a home away from home a learning centre for little children between the ages of 3 months to 7 years.
- Run by a committee of RUWA
- Professional guidance of the Department of Human Development, University of Rajasthan.
- Working women are benefitted by this crèche.
- At any one time there are 20-30 children at the creche.
- Under the guidance of E.C.C.E. Professionals the creche is looked after by one supervisor and 3 experienced child caretakers.
- Special summer camp organised every year for children of the creche and other school children.

DISTRESSED WOMEN AND LEGAL ADVICE/AID CELL

- Founded in 1987
- Legal Aid provided to victimized women in society.
- Cases successfully settled for Maintenance, *Stree Dhan*, Restitution of conjugal rights, Divorce, Extra marital affairs, Dowry harassment, Dowry Death/murder, Sexual harassment, Rape, Abduction, Sexual harassment at work place, Prevention of child marriage, Minor child custody.
- Legal Day : Every Friday
- Committee of expert-advisers assisted by advocates of High Court and District Session Court
- Advocacy for amendment of laws protecting the rights of women
- Filing public interest litigation to seek justice for women

UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE MATTERS

- Advocacy of gender equality at workplace
- Combating sexual harassment at work place
- Counseling women students
- Assisting women faculty employee with service-complains sexual harassment at the workplace

ACADEMIC CELL

- Aim: To raise awareness on women's issues.
- Function: To organise debates and contests for students, seminars, discussions, workshops.
- Advocacy on national issues
- Celebration of International Women's Day
- Debating Women's issues.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH CELL

- Focusing on women's health
- Health and hygiene
- Contraception and immunization
- Nutrition
- Organisation of health camps

WORKING WOMEN'S RESIDENCE

- Established by RUWA's efforts situated in the Rajasthan University Campus.
- Decent housing for working women.
- Affordable rental charges.
- Safety and dignity maintained.

BULLETIN AND WEBSITE CELLS

- An in house activity, writing meaningful articles
- Dissemination of Information about RUWA's activities.
- Fund Raising ; Publication of Bulletin, "Shakti".
- Foregrounding distinguished women

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