

Workshop Report:

Women's Cell of Narula Institute of Technology has organized one Seminar on "Cervical cancer awareness program for married women" supported and approved by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, Govt. of India, New Delhi, on 16.01.13 at 12.30 PM in the Language Lab of the Institute. Dr. Ramdas Chatterjee, formerly, Head, Dept. of Tumor Virology, Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute, Kolkata, and Visiting Faculty of Lady Brabourne College of Kolkata was the guest speaker.



Women's health is of paramount interest for any welfare state. Only healthy mothers can help in sustaining the growth of a family which in turn contributes greatly in the advancement of a nation.

A large proportion of Indian women lack basic awareness about uterine cervical cancer. In spite of being a well-preventable disease, if detected early through non-invasive (painless) inexpensive diagnostic tests, cervical cancer cases are presented at an advanced stage to the hospitals/doctors without having much scope of cure. Women and their family members still have indifferent attitudes to the disease.



Dr. Ramdas Chatterjee, is conducting a two-year (2011-2013) research project entitled 'Assessment of Knowledge, Attitude, Belief and Practice of the Women in Kolkata, Towards Cervical Cancer and Its Risk Factors' as its Principal Investigator with support from Indian Council of Social Science Research, Govt. of India and Lady Brabourne College, Kolkata, as the affiliating institute.

A one hour program was conducted by Dr. Chatterjee to assess their level of knowledge on the disease and subsequently enhanced their awareness level through an educative deliberation. Dr. Chatterjee covered several aspects of the disease, such as, its risk factors, symptoms, diagnosis, treatment and most importantly preventive measures like, vaccination and early diagnostic test. Further, he stressed that such program may help in reducing the burden of cervical cancer in the country. The participants interacted vividly with Dr. Chatterjee with several interesting questions on the disease.

A vote of thanks was conveyed to Dr. Chatterjee by the Chairperson of the Women Cell of NIT.