

## **Awareness Programme on the Need and importance of International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking at ZPH School, MR Palli Tirupati on 26-06-2023**

International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, or World Drug Day, is marked on 26 June every year to strengthen action and cooperation in achieving the goal of a world free of drug abuse. In connection with International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking Dr. K.Hymavathi, Associate Professor and Dr.T.Chaitanya, Research Associate of Women's Studies Centre, Sri Padmavati Mahila Visvavidyalayam, Tirupati organized an Awareness Programme on World Drug Day for 10<sup>th</sup> class students of Zilla Parishad High School located at M.R.Palli,Tirupati. The main objective of the programme is to spread awareness about the physical and psychological impact of substance abuse, illicit drugs; causative factors of drug abuse, symptoms and its consequences might be in the areas like health, family, social, occupational, financial, and legal on the adolescents, youth and society. The theme of the year 2023 is ***"People first: stop stigma and discrimination, strengthen prevention"*** which focuses more on raise awareness about the negative impact of stigma and discrimination on people who use drugs and their families.



**Dr. Hymavathi addressing the students**

