TUMKUR UNIVERSITY, TUMKUR DEPARTMENT OF STUDIES AND RESEARCH IN SOCIAL WORK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

"Legal Awareness and Women Empowerment"

As part of the series of developmental programmes organized by the Community Development Centre of Department of Studies and Research in Social Work, Tumkur University, a programme on "Legal Awareness and Women Empowerment" was conducted on 26.02.2012 at the Community Hall, Kattigena Halli Village, Kora Grama Panchayath, Tumkur Taluk.

Sri Sa. Chi. Rajkumar, Secretary, Santhwana Kendra, Tumkur, who is also a renowned advocate, made an eloquent presentation regarding the importance of legal knowledge for women. He said that despite the impressive achievements of women organizations' in terms of microfinance and micro-enterprises, there is not much change in the unfavourable societal attitude towards women. Hence, he argued, women's organizations have to collectively work towards strengthening their social status through legal means along with enhancing their economic conditions. He also drew attention to the prevalence of female foeticide, acid attacks on women, and domestic violence and opined that only when women become aware of their rights and learn to access legal help to safeguard them can we hope for a better future.

Smt. Jagadamba, Member, Kora Grama Panchayath and Smt. Chandramma, Anganawadi Supervisor of the village, were present for the programme. The programme was attended by over seventy participants who took active part in the interactive session.