



A "50 DAYS DRIVE" ON

## "SAY NO TO BLEEDING GUMS"

A PINK HEALTH INITIATIVE

1/02/2024 TO 20/03/2024



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#### REPORT OF PROGRAM HELD ON 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY

Department of Periodontology, Yenepoya Dental College is part of an Awareness drive "Say no to bleeding gums- A Pink Health Initiative" spanning over 50 days from 1<sup>st</sup> February,2024 to 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024 in association with Indian Society of Periodontology as a Nationwide campaign.

On 8<sup>th</sup> March which is celebrated as International Women's day, Department of Periodontology conducted an awareness and screening program of women's oral health in association with Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Yenepoya Medical College. This program was inaugurated by Dr. Rajesh K.S., Professor and Head Dept of Periodontology, Dr. Sham S. Bhat, Dean, Faculty of Dentistry, and the Dr. Rajalaxmi, Professor, Dept. of Obstetrics and Gynecology along with the staff and postgraduates from the Department of Periodontology. An overview of the Program was given a Dr. Vinita Boloor. Dr. Sham S. Bhat, Dean, Faculty of Dentistry briefed the audience on having a continuing collaboration with Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Yenepoya Medical College, such that we can educate a larger number of women with regards to their oral health. Dr Rajalaxmi, Professor, Dept. of Obstetrics and Gynecology also reinforced to all the patients present about the importance of the periodontal health during the pregnancy stages. Oral hygiene kits were distributed by the dignitaries to all the patients present during this event.

The inauguration was followed with an Awareness talk on the importance of women's oral health which was delivered by Dr. Chinmay Ajila in kannada and Dr. Sunaina Abdulla in Malayalam. Oral Screening was conducted for all the patients reporting to the Obstetrics and Gynecology Outpatient clinic as well women non teaching staff of the Yenepoya Medical College. All the screened women were given oral hygiene kits and oral hygiene instruction pamphlets. The screened women were directed to visit the Yenepoya Dental College for definitive treatment. The entire program spanned over 2 hours from 9.30 am – 12.00 noon. A total of 54 women were educated and screened. The program was coordinated by Dr. Anupama Rao and Dr. Vinita Boloor.

The Program concluded at 12 noon.

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