## Report on World Population Day 2025 Celebrations

Theme: "Empowering Young People to Create the Families They Want in a Fair and Hopeful World"

The Department of Economics at Andhra Mahila Sabha Arts and Science College for Women, Osmania University Campus, Hyderabad, observed World Population Day with thoughtfulness and enthusiasm on 11th July 2025. This year's programme centered around the globally significant theme: "Empowering Young People to Create the Families They Want in a Fair and Hopeful World," emphasizing the importance of informed choices, reproductive rights, and gender equality.

The event commenced at 12:00 PM, with vibrant participation from students of BA 1st, 2nd, and 3rd year. The programme began with a welcome address by Purnima, student of BA EPP 2nd year, who cordially invited **Professor K. Karuna, Principal of AMS College,** to enlighten the gathering.

Professor Karuna, in her address, highlighted the importance of taking responsibility in reproductive decisions and emphasized that **women**, **in particular**, **must possess the power and agency** to decide when and whether to have children. Her words resonated deeply with the theme, advocating for self-awareness and empowerment.

Next, Vigneshwari, a student of BA EPP 2nd year, delivered an inspiring speech that touched upon both the challenges and opportunities presented by population growth. She brought attention to how proper education and planning can transform population pressure into potential.

Ms. K. Sai Deepika, Economics Lecturer addressed the audience on the importance of a productive population, stressing that investment in youth education, health, and employment can lead to sustainable development and national progress.

A creative and meaningful poem on population growth and its consequences was recited by K.N.R.S Lasya Priya of BA EPPSY 2nd year, followed by a well-researched PowerPoint presentation by Shruthi and Vasanta from BA Final Year, which explained the role of public awareness in managing population dynamics.

The formal programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks delivered by M. Jahnavi of BA EPP 2nd year, expressing gratitude to the faculty, guests, and students for their participation and support.

Following the indoor event, a rally was conducted across the college campus. **Sri Chakrapani, IAS (Retd.), Chairman of the Institution**, interacted with students and emphasized the importance of maintaining the replacement fertility ratio to ensure demographic balance. **Dr. Y. Vasundhra, Vice Principal,** also joined the rally. Students raised slogans such as "**Empower Youth, Secure Tomorrow**" and "**Plan the Birth, Save the Earth**", spreading awareness across departments with passion and clarity.

The programme was a great success, reinforcing the importance of population education, youth empowerment, and informed reproductive choices for a better and equitable future.













