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## Organ Donation Awareness for the Health and Wellness Club Members of Loyola College

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Ms. Juhija R and Dr. Tanya Pereira Inaugurating the event



On September 14<sup>th</sup> 2019, MOHAN Foundation was invited by Dr. Tanya Pereira, Faculty and Coordinator of Health and Wellness Club, Loyola College to address the club members on organ donation. Dr. Hemal Kanvinde, Quality Assurance Officer, MOHAN Foundation was invited as a Chief Guest and honoured by Capt. Simon Aju Sudhakar, the Vice-Principal of the college. Dr. Periera delivered the welcome address followed by Mr. Naveen Babu, member of Health and Wellness Club introducing the chief guest to the audience.

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Dr. Kanvinde, assisted by Ms. R Juhija, Bio-statistician delivered a detailed presentation on the subject covering a wide range of topics. She explained the Transplantation of Human Organs Act which included the offences and penalties related to malpractices in organ donation and also conducted a quiz that had questions related to eye transplant, heart transplant, lung transplants and organ commerce.

The following topics were discussed in detail:

- Organ failure and causes
- Who can donate organs?
- When can organs be donated?
- What is living donation?
- What is natural death and brain death?
- What is brain death and coma?
- Age criteria to donate organs
- What is the time period for organ retrieval?
- Myths and misconceptions around organ donation
- How to register as an organ donor?

All their doubts were clarified by Dr. Hemal. 23 people registered as organ donors and received their donor cards. The program came to an end at 12:30 PM with Gopika Baskaran, Representative of Health and Wellness Club delivering the vote of thanks. MOHAN Foundation is thankful to Loyola College for the opportunity to create awareness on organ donation among its students.

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