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Report of the session on Child Development and Child Rights

The department of Service Learning (Outreach) organised an orientation session to the School Teaching and Child Care team on 'Child Development and Child Rights' on 22nd July 2015 in the Lawrence Sundaram Hall, Loyola College, Chennai-34. The session started with the prayer song at 9:30 am.

Prof. Antony Samy welcomed the gathering and he introduced Prof. Andrew, Department of School, Loyola College, Chennai-34. Prof. Andrew talked about Child Rights and the vulnerable situation children are facing today. He added that child protection is the biggest work of parents, community and the Government. Also emphasising that India ranks the highest in the number of rape cases being reported.

He explained to the students the four basic rights of a child. They are -

- Right to survival
- Right to development
- Right to protection
- Right to participation

After which he invited the students to do their part as the secondary duty bearers in the lives of the children. He also suggested having children's group or club to give them a chance to be creative and to bring out their talents and give them some inputs for their lives. The games on personality oriented and value based will help the children not only to enjoy the game but also learn from them. There was a question answer session where he clarified many of the doubts of the students.

Prof. John Kaviarasu, Head - Department of Service Learning (Outreach) gave the outline for the child development and responsibility each student should do in their respective areas of work. The session ended with the National Anthem.