

## ‘Youth Seminar-2022’ held at KU’s School of Law



**Srinagar, Dec 7:** Top officers, legal experts, members of a non-governmental organisation and students Wednesday joined the day-long deliberations on ‘responsibilities of youth towards a healthy society’ at the University of Kashmir. The deliberations were held as part of the ‘Youth Seminar-2022’ organised by the varsity’s School of Law in collaboration with South Asia Center for Peace and Peoples’ Empowerment (SACPPE), a non-governmental organisation working for youth welfare.

KU Registrar Dr Nisar A Mir chaired the inaugural session as chief guest and highlighted the need to “go back to the value system that we once cherished in our society” to curb social evils like drug abuse.

He said law professionals and students have a greater responsibility to share on this front “in view of their involvement in all spheres of life, both within and beyond the courts”.

Dr Mir also referred to addressing the “inter-generational gap” where elders are loved and respected by youth, and the youth in turn get the required love and attention from their elders.

Prof M Ayub, former Head and Dean, School of Law, said development of a society starts from teachings offered to children at their homes. “Problems generally start from homes and go down to the society and have an impact on the nation as well. Half the population in our country falls in the youth bracket which indicates why youth energies need to be channelised in the right direction for nation-

building,” Prof Ayub, an eminent law expert, said in his special address. Prof M Hussain, former Head and Dean School of Law urged youth to stay away from drug menace and smartphone addiction.

He said youth today are living in a virtual world and have restricted face-to-face interactions with their family and friends, which leads to development of negative tendencies and keeps them away from “productive engagements”.

Mr. S Umar Bhat, Vice-President SACPPE, Ms Zeenat Mukhtar, Secretary SACPPE and Ms Sobia Manzoor, PhD scholar at School of Law, also shared their views on the seminar theme and emphasised the need to tap the potentialities of youth in the right direction and secure their contribution to the country’s growth and progression.

Head and Dean School of Law, Prof Beauty Banday, earlier delivered the welcome address, while Dr Mohammad Yasin, Assistant Professor, conducted proceedings of the inaugural session. Dr Yasir Abbas delivered the formal vote of thanks.

The inaugural session was also attended by Joint Registrars Dr Tanvir A Shah and Dr Ashfaq Zarri, besides faculty, research scholars and students from the School of Law.