Student council at Vishwakarma University holds event on women's safety, self defence

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Vishwakarma University's student council, in collaboration with the VU Pro Bono Club. held an event on Monday to raise awareness about women's safety and teach practical self defence skills.

The event, organised by the Government and Social Initiatives (GSI) wing, featured a street play and a self- defence demonstration, addressing concerns about women's rights and safety.

The street play was based on the recent incident of a junior doctor being raped and murdered brutally in Kolkata.

The play aimed at highlighting the importance of creating a safer environment for women. A council member stated, "We wanted to spread awareness about women's safety and how the environment should be a safe environment for everyone, not just the men of the society."

The event was part of broader efforts of the VU Pro Bono Club. which was established in 2023 under the Ministry of Law and Justice's Nyaya Bandhu scheme. Professor Apoorva Bhilare, Head of the Department of Law, said, "In the wake of rising rape cases, the students felt it necessary to take action by portraying these issues through a street play and providing legal aid along with self defense tips."

Naya Chauhan demonstrated self defense techniques that women can use in dangerous site uations, including the effective use of pepper spray. The event aimed to equip participants with practical skills for personal safety.

The initiative plans to extend these efforts to vulnerable communities, such as urban slums an underserved schools, to further spread awareness and practical self defence knowledge.

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