## **ELECTION AWARENESS PROGRAMME**

On 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Awareness Programme on Election was organized. Sri.Prakash, Asst Director, DSO Mysuru addressed the students.

Addressing the students he said an election is a way people can choose their candidate or their preferences in a representative democracy or government. The democratic countries hold elections for their national legislature. Some democratic countries elect national officials such as President. There are different ways to organize elections. Voters may vote for an individual or for a political party.

Speaking on use of EVM and VVPAT he said EVMs a machine used to record or tally votes. The first voting machines were mechanical but it is increasingly more common to use electronic voting machines. Traditionally, a voting machine has been defined by its mechanism, and whether the system tallies votes at each voting location, or centrally.

Voting machines differ in usability, security, cost, speed, accuracy, and ability of the public to oversee elections. Machines may be more or less accessible to voters with different disabilities.

Tallies are simplest in parliamentary systems where just one choice is on the ballot, and these are often tallied manually. In other political systems where many choices are on the same ballot, tallies are often done by machines to give quick results.

A VVPAT is intended as an independent verification system for voting machines designed to allow voters to verify that their vote was cast correctly, to detect possible election fraud or malfunction, and to provide a means to audit the stored electronic results. It contains the name of the candidate (for whom vote has been cast) and symbol of the party/individual candidate.

Vote of thanks was proposed by coordinator Smt Indumathi M.J



