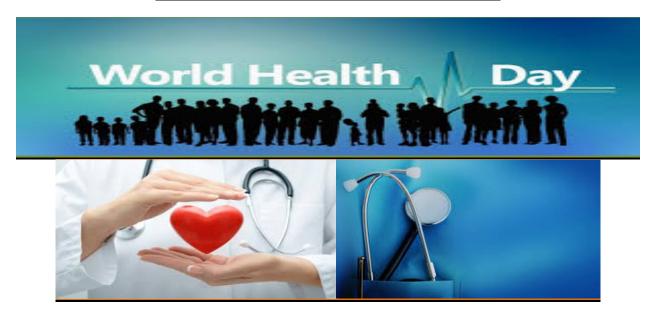
## WORLD HEALTH DAY CELEBRATION



The World Health Day was celebrated on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at Vidyavardhaka Law College auditorium at 10.30 AM, Dr. Ponnappa, Surgeon Mysuru was the resource person. The resource person stated that, on April 7 of each year marks the celebration of World Health Day. From its inception at the First Health Assembly in 1948 and since taking effect in 1950, the celebration has aimed to create awareness of a specific health theme to highlight a priority area of concern for the World Health Organization. The resource person pointed out that, over the past 50 years this has brought to light important health issues such as mental health, maternal and child care, and climate change. The celebration is marked by activities which extend beyond the day itself and serves as an opportunity to focus worldwide attention on these important aspects of global health.

He specifically pointed out Universal Health means that all people have access, without any kind of discrimination, to comprehensive quality services, wherever they need them, without facing financial difficulties. It requires the definition and implementation of policies and actions with a multisectoral approach to address the social determinants of health and promote the commitment of the whole society with health and well-being. Universal health is not just about ensuring everyone is covered, but that everyone has access to care when they need it, wherever they are.



The pointed out that, "Today, half the world's population cannot access essential health services. Millions of women give birth without help from a skilled attendant; millions of children miss out on vaccinations against killer diseases, and millions suffer and die because they can't get treatment for HIV, TB, and malaria. In 2019, this is simply unacceptable although the right to good health is everybody's prerogative, millions across the world do not have the access to the most basic healthcare. It is a fact that underprivileged people are forced to give up on their healthcare in order to meet their daily expenses such as food, clothing, and shelter. Thus, the WHO's theme for World Health Day 2019 is 'Universal Coverage: Everyone, Everywhere' to ensure that no human being will ever have to make a choice between the two. There are three key goals of the WHO's Universal Coverage plan: ensuring everyone who needs healthcare service gets it, irrespective of their financial status; the quality of healthcare services should be good enough to improve health; people who seek healthcare services should be protected from financial risk. Good health shouldn't come at the cost of financial harm. Smt. Deepu P Principal presided over this function also teaching staff our college and students were present in this occasion.