



ACADEMIC CONFLUENCE DURING THE PANDEMIC

REPORT

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DEAN'S MESSAGE

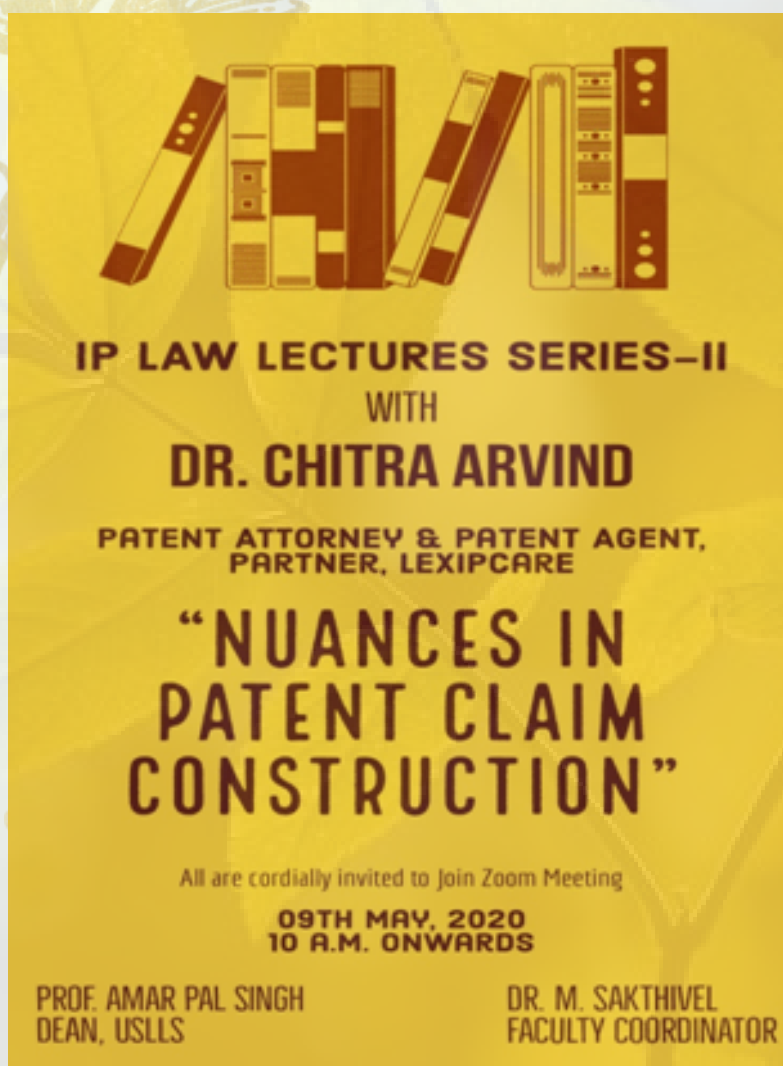


Crises situations are not exceptions to human society, nor for that purpose the pandemics and disasters are strange things for human race. They come and go, leaving a better aware and better equipped community to fight such disasters, pandemics of crises situations. Apart from testing the mettle of human strengths the pandemics and disaster situations serve a very important purpose. They really function as springboards of human creativity and innovations that otherwise would not happen. So the corona pandemic apparently has ushered us into unprecedented times. The world in which we operate has suddenly and dramatically changed and it is well-nigh impossible that the times be the same again. There has been fear, angst, uncertainty and trepidation about what lies ahead. But we need to appreciate that urgency creates a unique type of pressure and in such a situation you can't sit on the side lines, hoping and waiting. You need to take the bull by the horns and get rewards, balancing safety and speed to succeed in the uncertainty is the mantra. Nicolo Machiavelli put it in the right perspective by saying, "never waste the opportunity offered by a good crisis". It may be difficult to gage but we have to realise that crises provide us a unique opportunity to create transformative change in our ways of living and learning life in new ways. This is precisely what happened during this current corona pandemic. The world discovered a new normal of work from home, the online meetings of government officials became a new norm and online classes and webinars emerged as the new ways of doing academics in the era of pandemic. Immediately after the lockdown, the Team USLLS braced itself up and held regular online classes, as per the time table that we have prepared for regular classes and finished the entire syllabus by mid-May, 2020. Something new that we experienced and discovered was the phenomenon of Webinars and e-conferences that we had in plenty. Eminent people from variety of areas, Supreme Court judges and jurists interacted with students and faculty, which was unprecedented in variety of ways. This attempt of inventorizing the efforts that we made during the lockdown for making learning a new experience, has been named as "Academic Confluence During the Pandemic" and shall act as a reminder, that human ingenuity can always dig out abundance of opportunities in crises situations.

Prof. Amar Pal Singh
Dean, USLLS, GGS IP University,
New Delhi

9th May, 2020

IP LAW LECTURE SERIES - 2



On 9th May 2020, University School of Law and Legal Studies (USLLS), GGSIP University organized its IP Law Lecture Series – 2 on the topic “Nuances in Patent Claim Construction”. It was attended by around hundred participants including various faculty members of the GGSIP university as well as other universities. The guest speaker was Dr. Chitra Arvind, Patent Attorney, Patent Agent and partner in Lex IP Care, a leading law firm practicing in Intellectual Property Laws with special focus on Patent Prosecution and Patent Litigation. Dr. Chitra did her graduation in Pharmacy in 1999 from Dr. M.G.R. Medical University, Tamilnadu. She also holds M.S. degree in pharmacy. She completed her Doctorate also in the

field of natural products from NIPER Chandigarh in 2005. Introduction and welcome note was presented by Dr. Sakthivel, Faculty Coordinator, wherein, he drew attention to importance of Claim Construction in Patent Prosecution. It was further followed by special note of Professor, A.P. Singh, Dean USLLS, wherein, he emphasized importance of bringing law and technology together as an essential requirement of present era.

Dr. Chitra started her lecture by explaining the importance of claim construction while applying for Patent. She told that Patent is body and claim should work like coat of body which should be able to protect it. She explained with several examples that claim construction is an art ; it should neither be too narrow, nor should it be too broad but just right. She emphasized that three things should necessarily be kept in mind while constructing claims i.e, adequate support with description, wishes of inventor and clear technical understanding of invention. Further, she threw light on three critical aspects which should be considered with proper perspective while claim construction ; one, advantage, novelty and inventive step in claim over prior art ; two, whether it is represented in same manner in the prior art ; and three, if it is represented in similar manner then how to differentiate it. She further emphasized that every term used in claim should be clearly defined in description and should be presented in simplified and abstract manner. She advocated to draft claim in a manner to leave scope to negotiate at the time of prosecuting the claim and also to limit possible claims of others which might arise in future. She categorized claims in two kinds, independent claim and dependent claim and emphasized that only essential and critical elements should be embodied in independent claim ; rest should be depicted as related and leading to independent claim.

In other words, it should be written on antecedent basis. In this context, she, explained the importance of punctuation and told that mistakes in punctuation and language may lead to rejection of claims even at threshold. She gave few examples showing that how open ended and close ended phrases should be used carefully while constructing claims. During lecture, she also gave a brief overview of initial scrutiny of claims in different part of the world and ended the lecture by giving a punch line “Try to draft for entire world not for one country”. The lecture was very informative and interactive and gave a clear insight with various interesting examples one’s approach should be while constructing Patent claims. The event was attended by around 50 Persons.



Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University
University School of Law and Legal Studies
Organises
Webinar on Mental Health Awareness & Emotional Well-Being Legal Imperatives in this Covid 19 Scenario
ON 10 TH MAY 2020
SUB-THEMES

- Promotion of Mental health and prevention of mental disorders under the mental health care Act 2017 and other critical issues
- Legal issues rights for mental health in juvenile justice.
- Psychology of child victims of sexual offences and abuse.
- The issue of domestic violence and mental trauma- Socio-legal issues
- Sensational media and its impact on mental health: Issues and Concerns
- Psychosocial issues among migrant workers: Socio-legal issues
- Mental health issues concerning doctors, health-workers and patients
- Corporate Social Responsibility for mental health under Covid 19 pandemic
- Addressing public stigma and disparities among persons with mental illness or concerning mental health

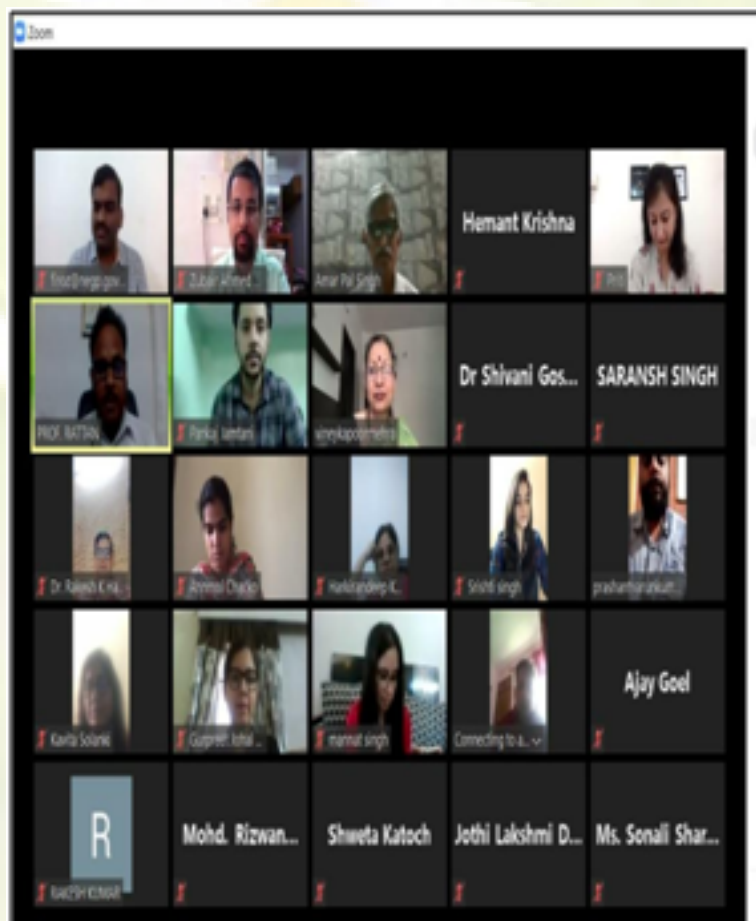
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10th May, 2020

WEBINAR ON MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS & EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING LEGAL IMPERATIVES IN THE COVID-19 SCENARIO

Webinar on Mental Health Awareness & Emotional Well-Being Legal Imperatives in the COVID-19 Scenario was organised on 10th May, 2020. The purpose for conducting this webinar was to address the public stigma and disparities among persons with Mental illness or concerning Mental Health. The Chief Guest for this webinar session was Prof. Vinay Kapoor Mehra, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. BR Ambedkar National Law University, Sonapat and the Guest of Honour was Prof. Rattan Singh, Director, University Institute of Legal Studies, Panjab University, Chandigarh. Prof. Dr. Mahesh Verma, Vice Chancellor, GGSIPU (Padma Shri Awardee) was the Chief Patron, Mr. Ravi Dadhich, Registrar, GGSIPU was the Patron and Prof. Amar Pal Singh, Dean, USLLS was the Webinar Director. The Webinar was organised by Dr. Zubair Ahmed Khan, Assistant Professor who was the Faculty Coordinator and all respected faculty members of USLLS, GGSIPU. Hemant Krishna (B.A.LL.B.-3rd year) and Dhananjay Sherawat (B.A.LL.B.-2nd year) were the Student Coordinators for this event.

Around 75 participants (including authors & co-authors) submitted their abstract for this session. Out of 75 participants, 65 participants share their presentation and viewpoint in this session. The topics presented by the participants were Promotion of Mental Health and Prevention of mental disorders under the Mental Health Care Act, 2017 and other critical issues, Sensational Media and its impact on Mental Health: Issues and concerns, Mental Health issues concerning doctors, health workers and patients etc. In this Webinar session, there was an Inaugural session and two Technical Sessions. Inaugural Session was from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. First Technical Session was from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and Second Technical Session was from 2:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.



16th May, 2020

IP LAW LECTURE SERIES – 3



IP Law Lecture - 3 was organized by University School of Law and Legal Studies (USLLS), GGSIP University on 16th May 2020 on a contemporary issue, "Biotech Patents and Innovations". The guest speaker was Dr. Kshitij Kumar Singh, Assistant Professor at Campus Law Centre, University of Delhi. Dr. Singh has received his LL.M. and Ph.D. (Law) degrees from Faculty of Law, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, U.P. Dr. Singh has done very extensive work analysing legal and social implications arising from conjunction of biotechnology and intellectual property rights. In his work, he also studied intricacies involved in the intellectual property protection to bioinformatics and genomic databases. He also received Canadian Commonwealth Scholarship and worked research fellow at Faculty of Law, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario Canada under supervision of Prof. Mark Perry. Depth of his work and expertise on the

is evident from his various articles published in number of reputed journals. He is also member of Review Panel, Oxford Journal of Intellectual Property Law and Practice, All India Law Teachers Congress and Associate Member of Indian Society of International Law. Dr. Sakthivel, Faculty Coordinator of USLLS, introduced him very graciously and thereafter Professor, A.P. Singh, Dean USLLS, paid a warm welcome to him. The event was attended by around 40 persons.

Dr. Singh firstly gave a brief introduction about the field of Biotechnological innovations and its correlation with patent system. He explained as to how throughout the passage of time, biotechnology, which was initially limited to brewing and green methods, has been transformed from mere academic and scientific discussion to industrial opportunity through new breakthroughs like introduction of genetic engineering and bioinformatics. Dr. Singh drew attention to the fact that interrelation of biotechnological inventions with patent system started due to investors seeking guarantee to recoupe their investments, however, it posed challenges as well to the traditional understanding of patent system which was mainly restricted to mechanical inventions but not included life forms. Dr. Singh discussed the nature of biotechnological inventions and its impact on Patent Law in detail. He discussed the evolutionary process of biotech patent regime in various countries, particularly in USA, EUROPE and CHINA and then discussed the Indian situation. He explained as to how restriction to living organism as a subject matter of patents, underwent various changes. In this context, he especially discussed Diamond V. Chakrabarty case, Oncomouse case and then TRIPS. While discussing evolution of biotech patent regime in India, he compared the position emerged with Shri Justice N. Rajagopala Ayyangar Committee Report and then further developments happened due to India becoming signatory of TRIP which led to 2005 amendments in Indian Patent Act. He discussed various provisions of Indian Patent Act, 1970, especially provisions of Section 3 in the context of biotechnological patents. In the background of evolution of biotechnological patents in India, Dr. Singh discussed the Monsanto Case in detail. Dr. Singh concluded the lecture by stating that biotechnological inventions and its patent in India is still in evolutionary phase and issues are still to be settled through judicial constructions and other clarifications which may come in due course of time. The lecture was very informative and interactive. It threw a clear insight on the various aspects of biotechnological patent system in the world as well as in India.

22nd May, 2020

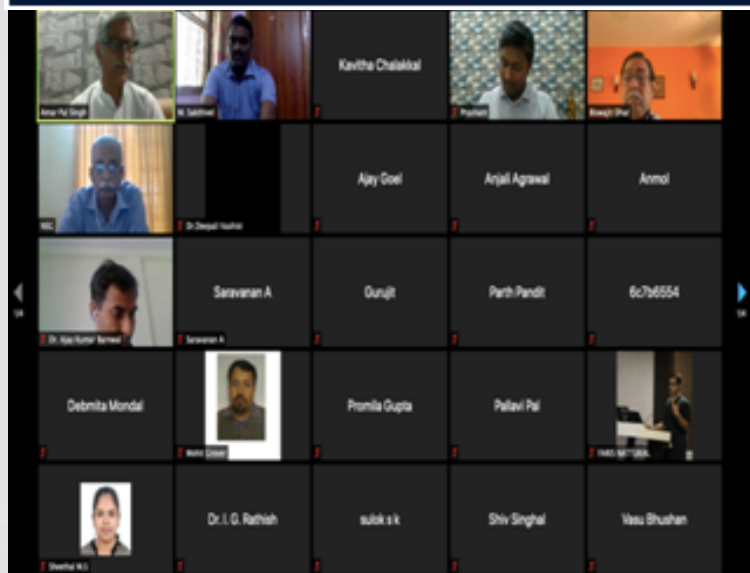
NATIONAL WEBINAR ON THE EVE OF INTERNATIONAL DAY OF BIODIVERSITY

On the occasion of International Day of Bio-Diversity, which is celebrated on 22nd May every year, the University School of Law and Legal Studies (USLLS) of the Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi, organised a National Webinar to deliberate upon national and international legal regime governing bio-diversity and related aspects. The University School for this purpose had invited two eminent scholars having years of experience in this area, namely

Prof. (Dr.) N.S. Gopalakrishnan, Honorary Professor at Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT) and Prof. (Dr.) Biswajit Dhar, Professor at the JawaharLal Nehru University which was attended by around 85 persons.

The session was moderated by Prof. Amar Pal Singh, Professor and Dean of the USLLS, who inaugurated the session by welcoming the speakers and highlighting his own interest in the topic being discussed. Prof.Dhar was invited first to articulate upon the politics behind the International Legal Regime governing Bio-Diversity and what is the driving force behind the multilateral negotiations taking place in this domain. Prof.Dhar in a very efficient manner touched upon the various components of the Convention on Bio-Diversity and the Nagoya Protocol associated with it. He also threw light on how these two international bio-diversity instruments came into force and while doing so also talked about the North-South divide existing between the 'First World Countries' and the 'Third World Countries', especially when it comes to environmental matters. An individual without any background knowledge of the area would also have greatly benefitted from Prof.Dhar's speech because he also went on to explain technical terms like Prior Informed Consent (PIC) and Mutually Agreed Terms (MAT), associated with the Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) Mechanism for plant genetic resources, in a very simple and efficient manner.

Any discussion on bio-diversity, would remain incomplete if Traditional Knowledge associated with genetic resources, held by Local Indigenous Communities, is left out of focus. The second part of the session was, therefore, dedicated to this domain and Prof.Gopalakrishnan did great justice to it. Moreover, this area which is a convergence of Human Rights, Intellectual Property Rights and Environmental Law, was substantiated with the help of real life case studies and examples. Emphasis was also laid by him on adopting a bottom up approach for bio-diversity conversation, thus, giving priority to the local stakeholders. After the end of the session, opportunity was given to the audience to put forward their questions before the speakers, which were answered very eloquently by them. The session came to a successful end after this and a vote of thanks was rendered to the speakers by Dr. M. Sakthivel who was the coordinator of the National webinar.



30th May, 2020

INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR ON GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS

price premium by maintaining of traditions, including traditional techniques, in an increasingly globalised world economy; by preserving the landscape and environment; promoting tourism - both agricultural and wine tourism; and by preserving local farming and local selling of products directly and not through large distribution in supermarkets or other stores far from the localities.

The success of geographical indications creates additional income sources due to increase in tourism, creation of additional jobs, and ultimately improving the living standards of the local people. From the biodiversity and environmental sustainability perspective, G.I. promotes individual practices of coop members improve and protect the environment as it encourages less pesticides, antibiotics, herbicides, fertilisers and use of natural inputs - manure and lime. Reduction in monoculture farming such as natural meadow, cultivated meadow, small areas of barley, limited feed concentrate. Environmental and ecological principles such as field rotation, local plant varieties, no GMO. It commits to reviving the local Aubrac cattle breed while improving breed varieties suited to local territories and achieving the targeted milk yield.



The poster for the USLLS International Webinar on Geographical Indications & Developing Countries: Future Ahead, held on May 30, 2020, at 11:00 AM onwards. It features the logos of Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University and USLLS. The poster lists Prof. (Dr.) Amar Pal Singh as the Director, Dean of USLLS, and Moderator, with Dr. Vandana Singh as the Faculty Coordinator. It also lists Prof. Irene Calboli as the Guest Speaker, a Professor of Law at Texas A&M University USA. The poster includes a collage of images related to geographical indications, such as a map, a cup of coffee, and a basket of bread. The registration link is provided at the bottom: <https://forms.gle/HtXvu295EbFRXu4P7>.

USLLS organises
International Webinar
on
Geographical Indications &
Developing Countries: Future Ahead

Director
Prof. (Dr.) Amar Pal Singh
Dean, USLLS
Moderator
Dr. Vandana Singh
Faculty Coordinator

Guest Speaker
Prof. Irene Calboli
Professor of Law
Texas A&M University USA

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11:00 AM ONWARDS
ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO
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Prof. Irene Calboli of Texas A&M University, USA was the guest speaker on May 30, 2020 and discussed how Geographical Indications can contribute to economic, social and environment impacts as these factors are interlinked. As per Prof. Calboli, Geographical Indications are not an automatic tool. She laid emphasis and explained about the reasons to protect GIs beyond price

5th June, 2020

NATIONAL WEBINAR ON “SUSTAINABILITY OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN POST-COVID-19 SCENARIO”



**NATIONAL WEBINAR
ON
SUSTAINABILITY OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT POST COVID-19**

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Prof. Amar Pal Singh
Dean, USLLS, GGSIPU

ON 5TH JUNE 2020, FROM 10:30 AM ONWARDS
ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

DR. M. SAKTHIVEL
Organising Secretary

COVID-19 pandemic, an unprecedented crisis, has brought untold miseries on mankind bringing the whole world to a standstill. Public transport of all sorts from aviation to railways, from metros to taxis has been shutdown for months at end, which has never happened before. Apparently, there is no direct relationship between environmental conditions and the COVID19 pandemic, except that the closure of economic activity, especially in transportation sector, has improved the ambient air quality. However, as the world prepares to commence the economic activity with a renewed vigour, environment is most likely to be affected. It is widely feared that this is likely to be the norm for most economies, as and when their economic activity starts picking up. This would most probably compromise the environmental regulations in a big way and the idea of “Sustainable Development”, as we have understood it from the last four decades, shall suffer tremendously.

In the background of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, University School of Law and Legal Studies, GGSIPU conducted a National Webinar on “Sustainability of Sustainable Development in Post COVID-19 Scenario” on ‘World Environment Day, 2020’ i.e. on 5th June 2020.

The inaugural ceremony was commenced by offering prayers to Goddess Saraswati, asking her to bestow upon us knowledge, wisdom and learning. The session boasted of a galaxy of illuminaries which included Dr. Mahesh Verma, Vice Chancellor of GGSIPU, Prof Gurdip Singh, Chancellor, IMS Unison University, Prof S. Shanthakumar, Vice Chancellor, GNLU, Prof. Satish C. Shastri, Director, School of Law Mody University, Prof. Amar Pal Singh, Dean, USLLS and Mr. Ravi Dadich, Registrar, GGSIPU. Their golden words of wisdom, born out of their studies and experience, were most valuable as they shared their concerns and gave solutions on the existing environmental exigencies. The inaugural session, which gave the perfect momentum to the webinar, concluded with a vote of thanks given by Dr. M Sakthivel, Webinar’s organising secretary.



5th June, 2020

PANEL DISCUSSION ON SANITATION AND CLEANLINESS IN POST COVID - 19 SCENARIO - SOCIO - LEGAL PERSPECTIVE

climate change issues and the need for retrospection of developmental activities were so me of the pertinent issues discussed. The session was followed by an insightful Panel Discussion on Sanitation & Cleanliness in Post Covid-19 scenario. Prof. Phillpe Cullet, SOAS-University of London, Dr. Lovleen Bhullar, Edinburgh University and Dr. Sujit Koonan, University of Delhi. The second technical session, moderated by Prof. Dr. M. Afzal Wani, found the presenters discussing pertinent issues such as the role of green investments, efficacy of drone technology in sanitation measures and the need to revisit the sustainable development goals, amongst various other issues. Each presenter had a new perspective to offer to deal with the existing environmental problems.

The webinar was attended by 430 people all over the country and a participant from Nigeria too. That's the benefit of an online platform, it eliminates the geographical and logistic barriers and creates room for more people. An astounding number of 203 abstracts were received by the organising team, out of which 37 participants were selected after a lot of consideration by the review board. There were foreign entries as well, from Indonesia and Nigeria. The presenters belonged to a variety of fields including law, medicine, engineering, architecture, psychology and literature. Students, research scholars, faculty members and other professionals participated and presented their papers in the Webinar. The flow and exchange of information and ideas was immensely enlightening. The contents of the Webinar will be uploaded online in due course of time, to enable a larger audience gain an insight into some of the very useful suggestions and solutions made at the day long knowledge-fest.



The first technical session, moderated by Prof. Dr. Kanwal D.P. Singh and Dr. Zubair Ahmed Khan, saw the shortlisted participants presenting their preliminary research findings on a wide variety of issues. Self-reliant neighbourhood planning, management of clinical waste,

9th June, 2020

WEBINAR ON 'EFFECTS OF COVID-19 ON SUPREME COURT PRACTICE AND CAREER PROSPECTS DURING AND POST COVID-19 PERIOD'

USLLS
Placement & Internship Cell

WEBINAR: SUPREME COURT PRACTICE DURING COVID-19 & CAREER PROSPECT DURING AND POST COVID PERIOD

ADV. SHRIYA MAINI (AOR)
 Visiting Faculty of NLU-D & Lloyd Law College, Noida

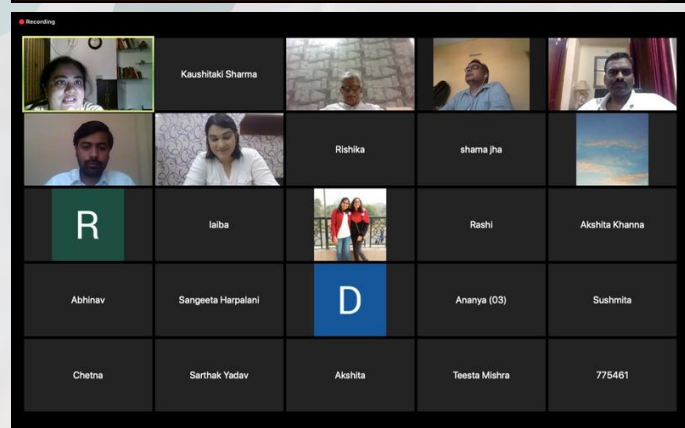
Qualifications: BCL,
 University of Oxford, U.K.

Presided over by
PROF. DR. A.P. SINGH
 (Dean, USLLS)

Moderated by
PROF. DR. QUEENY PRADHAN
 (Chairperson, Placement Cell)

Concluding Remarks by
PROF. DR. GURUJIT SINGH
 (Coordinator, Placement Cell)

Date: June 09, 2020 **Time: 11:00 AM**
Platform: Zoom
Contact: Gulzari (9718054832) & Ananya (7011945933)



USLLS Internship and Placement Cell launched its online lecture series in June, 2020 amidst the lockdown in order to continue the tradition of guest lectures even in the times of uncertainty. Keeping in mind this objective and the unprecedented situation that all the students are going through currently, the Internship and Placement Cell endeavours to facilitate interactive sessions between guest speakers and students which would help them get acquainted with the practicalities of a legal career and the skills required to excel in an increasing diverse and dynamic field of law.

The inaugural session of the Online Lecture Series was conducted on 9th June, 2020. It was taken by Ms. Shriya Maini, AOR, Supreme Court of India. Ms. Maini is an alumna of Gujarat National Law University and obtained a Bachelor of Civil Law degree from the prestigious University of Oxford.

The session was presided over by the Dean of USLLS, Prof. (Dr.) A. P. Singh and moderated by Prof. (Dr.) Queeny Pradhan (Chairperson, Placement Cell), with the concluding remarks given by Prof. (Dr.) Gurujit Singh (Coordinator, Placement Cell) and invaluable technical support was extended by Prof. Dr. M. Sakthivel.

The topic of the webinar discussion was 'The effects of Covid-19 on the Supreme Court Practice and the career prospects during and post Covid-19 period'. Ms. Maini spoke to USLLS students on the Supreme Court practice during COVID-19 and career prospects during-and post-COVID period. She also highlighted the traditional Supreme Court procedure and how the same has changed during the pandemic, with National Judicial Data Grid usage and e-filing procedures. Her session was very informative as she also gave the academic insights on the basics of filings on Supreme Court and the constitutional and statutory provisions which govern the same. She also shared her experience as a BCL student at the University of Oxford and the modalities of her course.

Further, a Question and Answer session was facilitated by the student members of the Internship and Placement Cell of USLLS with students posing questions about the Court's approach in different cases; the modalities of the BCL program; and several relevant issues. The students also raised question on the feasibility of doing LLM from foreign universities given the Covid-19 pandemic. Ms. Maini was very keen to answer all the questions of the students and dealt with all their queries with utmost patience. The webinar ended with a note of thanks and concluding remarks by Prof. (Dr.) A. P. Singh, Prof. (Dr.) Queeny Pradhan (Chairperson, Placement Cell) and Prof. (Dr.) Gurujit Singh (Coordinator, Placement Cell). The Co-head of the Internship and Placement, Mohammad Aqib Gulzari concluded the session with closing remarks.

11th and 12th June, 2020

PANEL DISCUSSION AND WEBINAR ON MODERN BANKING SERVICES IN INDIA, 11TH & 12TH JUNE, 2020

After the presidential address was the address by the Chief Guest Retd. Justice B N Shrikrishna, Chairman, Financial Sector Legislative Reforms Committee also, Mr. Ravi Dadhich, Registrar of GGSIPU who is the patron of the event was also present in the session. After the Inaugural session, it was time for Panel Discussion By Keynote Speakers - Prof. Madhu vij, Professor of Finance, Faculty of management studies, University of Delhi & Prof. Ritu Gupta, National law university, Delhi. & Prof Kanwal DP Singh, Professor of law, USLLS, GGS IP University. Lastly, Vote of thanks was given by the faulty coordinator Dr. Zubair Ahmad Khan, Assistant Professor, USLLS.

The session on next day i.e. 12th June, 2020 started from 10AM with Inaugural by Prof. (Dr.) Mahesh Verma, Vice Chancellor, GGSIPU & welcome speech by Prof. Amar Pal Singh, Dean, USLLS. In addition, the Keynote speaker was Dr. Lekha S Chakraborty, Professor, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy who spoke on the "Monetary – Macropolicy Response to Covid 19." Followed by, another Keynote Speaker- Dr. Anuj Kumar Vaksha, Associate Professor, USLLS, GGS IPU on "Challenges to Banking System During Covid-19".

The technical session was held in 2 sessions, In the first technical session Dr. G. Mallikarjun, Professor, Commonwealth Institute of Justice Education and Research, Lloyd law college presented his paper on – "Need for financial grievance redressal authority in India on the lines of financial ombudsman service of Union kingdom." Followed by Dr. Vidhi Madaan, Assistant Professor, Centre for post graduate legal studies, TERI school of advanced studies who presented paper on "Will insolvency and bankruptcy code, 2016 solve NBFC dilemma? : Present challenges and way forward." There was total of 10 presenters in technical first session & 11 presenters in second technical session in which different Professor, Scholars, Bankers & Students presented their paper on various aspect of Modern Banking. Lastly, the valedictory session was given by Retd. Justice K G Balakrishnan, Former Chief Justice of India, Former Chairperson, National Human Rights Commission. The presence of all these dignitary made the event highly informative and Successful.



The purpose of the panel discussion and webinar was to bring together academics, community bankers, regulators and policymakers to focus on the latest academic research on community banking and the important policy issues that affect community banks. The conference will highlight the issues related to the opportunities, challenges and global practices relevant to the development of banking and financial sector; macro and micro economy and business practices. The scholarly, conceptual, empirical and practitioner papers that address the conference theme of integrating research, practice and teaching are welcomed.

The Two Day event on was inaugurated on 11th June by Prof. (Dr.) Amar Pal Singh, Program Director & Dean, USLLS, GGSIPU. Following the Presidential address by Prof. (Dr.) Mahesh Verma, Vice Chancellor, GGSIP University, New Delhi.

29th May, 2020

ALL INDIA VIMARSH SPEECH COMPETITION, 2020

this lockdown phase by not only polishing their oratory skills, but also to sensitize and empower others through their words during these unprecedented times. We were enthralled to receive 60+ video entries for this competition via Gmail and WhatsApp out of which 40 were selected for judging by our jury of 5 members. The videos of the selected participants were uploaded on the Official YouTube Channel of the University school of Law and Legal Studies, GGSIP University and the link for the same has been provided hereunder:

Channel Name: USLLS GGSIPU

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3mQ0OAyfGXTyjeBUW3qAIQ>

The Winner in Hindi Category was Pragya Mishra from Lady Shri Ram College for Women, University of Delhi. Runner up was Ojasvini Ojha from Ramjas College, University of Delhi. The second Runner up was Barkha Soni from GD Rungta College of Science and Technology, Bhilai.

The Winner in English category was Ananya Banerjee from Sri Aurobindo College, University of Delhi. The Runner up was Aditi Banerjee from Chanakya National Law University, Patna. The second runner up was Nived Koladi Mootheri from Tamil Nadu National Law University, Thiruchirappalli.

**ALL INDIA
VIMARSH
ONLINE SPEECH
COMPETITION**

organized by University School of Law
and Legal Studies, Guru Gobind Singh
Indraprastha University, New Delhi

- Last date to
submission: 28th
May 2020 (11:59
am i.e. prior to
12 noon)

- Commencement
of polling: 29th
May 2020, 12 AM
Onwards

- End of polling:
1st June 2020,
12 AM

- Declaration of
results: on or
before 5th June
2020

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✓ Attractive Prize for the Winner
✓ Certificates of participation for all
✓ Judgement to be done on cumulation of
Likes and views and decision of Jury

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A pan-India online speech competition to bolster the prospect of igniting the young minds of the country with respect to present world realities in these testing times during the pandemic, organized by University School of Law and Legal Studies, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University. The Competition provided a platform to passionate minds across the nation to get the most out of

2nd August,, 2020

PANEL DISCUSSION ON "CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW"

 **UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW AND LEGAL STUDIES**
GURU GOBIND SINGH INDRAPRASTHA UNIVERSITY

WEBINAR ON
"CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW"

SCHEDULED ON: 2ND AUGUST, 2020; 4:00 PM ONWARDS


MR. RAVI DADHICH
REGISTRAR, GGSIPU
PATRON


PROF. (DR.) MAHESH VERMA
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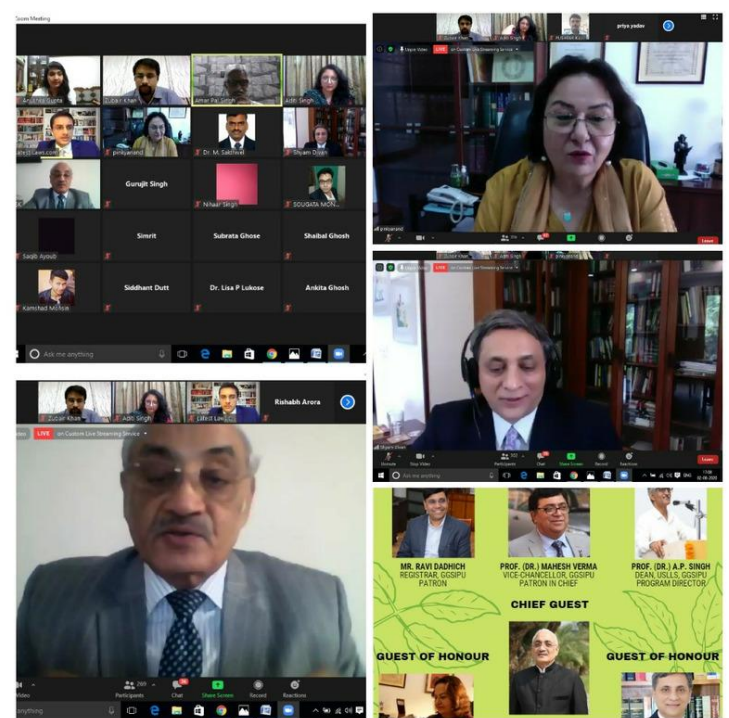
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The purpose of the panel discussion and webinar is to bring together esteemed legal luminaries to focus on the latest issues on environmental law and the proposed policy changes that may affect it. The webinar will serve as an enriching experience for all attendees. The event will be widely publicised and it will be open for all. We expect a substantial turnout from students, teachers and lawyers and the general public. THEMES TO BE COVERED IN THE DISCUSSION ARE: Environmental Law in a developing country. Analysis of latest judicial pronouncements in the field of Environmental Law. The Current legislative framework on Environmental Law. Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2020.

9th August, 2020

TWO DAY CONFERENCE ON LIFE, LIVELIHOOD AND RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE AND TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE



Overall, the 2-day conference lasted for 12 hours with 6 fruitful hours on each day wherein 25 speakers presented 21 papers. The thematic areas revolved around the identity, culture, art and artefacts, music, life, livelihood and problems of indigenous people of India. This 2-day national conference, though started as a national conference, it had a few international participants. We received 333 Conference registrations including four overseas registrations. The 2-day event was spread into inaugural session followed by four technical sessions. The event was organised in such a way that life and livelihood thematic presentations were slotted for Day-1 in Technical Session-1 and Technical Session-2. To celebrate the International Day of the World's Indigenous People 2020 we have placed presentations on Rights of indigenous people and colourful video spots on second day, i.e., 9th August 2020.

The conference started with the invocation of Goddess Saraswati (audio-visual was played), the Goddess of Learning. Prof. Queeny Pradhan while moderating the inaugural session, welcomed all participants and the speakers. He discussed historical account of indigenous people said Indians have been put under microscopic lens by the colonisers. Colonialism has played large part in concerned history. Mr. PC Joshi in his Inaugural Address expressed his interest in anthropology, discussed about different historical situations.

Prof. Patnaik began his address by discussing different perspectives on nature. Dr. Shivani Goswami moderated Technical session-1. Gave a brief introduction of the objective of the session. Dr. Siva Prasad in his presentation deliberated on Resource capture and livelihood crisis.

In addition to the e-Conference, with the coordination of Fine Arts Club, Srijan, the Organizers, organised a national painting competition. A notice was published on IPU website and registration started on 04-Aug-2020 for which 39 registration, however, we received only 23 painting submission after which we closed the registration on 06-Aug-2020. A panel of three judges were consulted for adjudicating the painting entries, who based on agreed criteria, meticulously evaluated the art pieces and declared 3 winners, first, second and third.

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