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About NMIMS, School of Law

Established in the year 2018, SVKM's NMIMS, School of Law, Navi Mumbai offers two courses, BA-LL.B (Hons.) and BBA-LL.B (Hons.), catering to the growing needs of the legal field. In providing such choice, it aims to create diversity in learning. The courses are designed in a manner that in addition to imbibing theoretical knowledge of law, the students are exposed to the practical facets of the law. It prepares the students for the real world by honing one's soft skills such as framing and drafting of arguments, interpretation of statutes; whilst keeping in touch with our political and historical heritage, and flexibility with work environments. The school also enables students to explore opportunities for international exposure and global experience, which is imperative in a globalised world. Alongside the same, the school prioritises co-curricular and extra-curricular activities such as Moot Court Competitions, ADR Competitions and Seminars. In pursuit of the same, SOL works in committees, each specialised in a certain function and co-curricular activity.

About the Conference

Law as a subject demands constant upgradation and revaluation to adapt to the needs of the society today and not be forced to mould the society to what the law was when it was made. Despite there being Constitutional mechanisms to cater to this need, the true spirit of this revaluation lies in the analysis and in depth understanding by the legal fraternity. The Publication and Seminar Committee of SOL, NMIMS, Navi Mumbai wishes to hold a Conference on niche, rather unexplored topics of law with the same spirit.

It is required that all entries be submitted through the Google Form attached below.

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About our Sponsor



The firm, which was established in 1950, is one of the oldest and most renowned firms in India with offices located in Kolkata, New Delhi, Mumbai, and Hyderabad. Its founder, the late Mr. Shyamanand Jalan, was a highly respected senior solicitor and expert in real estate law who served as a director on several boards, advised state governments, and multinational corporations, and wrote extensively on infrastructure development and real estate laws.

Currently, under the leadership of Mr. Sourav Ghosh, the firm has a multi-locational presence in India and provides round-the-clock services with a team of cohesive partners, advocates, chartered accountants, engineers, and paralegal personnel. The firm's clientele includes public sector industries, private business houses, banks and financial institutions, multinational companies, high-net worth individuals, software houses, charitable and educational organizations, among others.

The presence of practice area-specific experts enable the firm to provide services that are on par with international standards and requirements.

Broad Themes

A. Nuclear energy and law:

- Legal compliances for license and permissions requisite for nuclear activities.
- Laws for the safeguard and security of nuclear weapons.
- Nuclear Law Treaties and India.
- Indian Law on nuclear weapons: Civil Liability of Nuclear Damage Act, 2010.
- Nuclear Waste Management.
- Emerging Trends in Nuclear Law with the recent Russia-Ukraine War.
- Conflicts with respect to International Nuclear Law and Treaties.
- Constitutional Aspects of Nuclear Law and Treaties.
- Laws on International Trade of nuclear weapons.
- India and Nuclear Energy: Challenges and threats.

B. Human Rights:

- COVID' 19 and Human Rights.
- Human rights perspective on human and child trafficking in the 21st century.
- Intersection of Constitutional Law and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
- International Human Rights Law and International Trade.
- India and UN Convention Against Torture: hurdles in the international realm and domestic anti-torture law.
- Analysis of the consequences to Russia's Human Rights violations in the recent past in the UNHRC.
- Right to Mental Health as a Human Right.

Broad Themes

C. Women and Child Rights:

- Maternity rights of refugees and stateless persons.
- Surrogacy in India: Challenges in Law.
- Constitutional perspective on acid attacks on women.
- Women Rights as an extension of Human Rights.
- Impact of Wars on Children: Challenges in Laws and Legal Protection.
- Evolution of reevaluation of deemed majority in Juvenile Justice Act, 2015.
- Right to menstrual health and the menstrual leave debate.
- POCSO and increasing violence: Practical barriers and way forward and need for functional fast track courts.

D. International Law:

- NATO and its Conflicts (Russia-Ukraine War).
- Cyber Conflicts and International law: A scope into the future.
- International Law: Developments and Trends in the concept of Universal Jurisdiction.
- Environmental Law in the international realm.
- World Trade Organization and GATT: Critical appraisal.
- Counter-terrorism and International law perspective.
- ILO, CEDAW and its role in eliminating workplace discrimination.
- Digital contracts and Data Protection.

The above themes are non-exhaustive and indicative. Authors are welcome to submit research papers on the aforementioned topics as well as related subjects to the themes mentioned.

Guidelines for Paper Submission

1. Only paper submissions in Microsoft Word (Doc./Docx.) formats will be accepted.
2. Each submission must clearly state its theme, specific topic and citation format.
3. Papers should range from 3000 to 5000 words, excluding footnotes.
4. Accepted citation styles include Harvard Bluebook (20th edition) and Chicago Style.
5. The body of the manuscript should be written in Times New Roman, with font size 14 for headings and font size 12 for the content with line spacing 1.5 and 'Justified' alignment.
6. All footnotes must be single-spaced with a font size of 10.
7. Co-authorship is permitted with a maximum of two authors per submission.
8. Submissions must be original work and should not have been submitted, published, or presented elsewhere in any form.

Important Dates

Last date of registration: April 7, 2023

Submission of paper: April 7, 2023

Intimation of acceptance of paper: April 10, 2023

Date of the Conference: April 16, 2023

Registration Fees & Criteria

The conference shall host university students, academicians and other professionals pertaining to the field of law or legal research.

Fees for single authors- INR 400

Fees for co-authorship- INR 500

Fees for academicians and other professionals- INR 600

Note: Fees to be paid only after the intimation of acceptance.

Awards

Prize Money- Winner of Best Paper INR 6000

Prize Money- Runner up INR 4000

All participants will be provided a certificate of participation.

About the Organising Committee

The Publication and Seminar Committee of NMIMS, SOL, Navi Mumbai is an organization committed to enabling aspiring legal eagles to develop their skills in research, analysis, and expression of knowledge. It aims to raise awareness about contemporary legal issues and provide guidance to fellow law aspirants and students. The committee is divided into two departments, namely the Content Research & Reporting Department and the PR and Design Department. As the name suggests, each part is entrusted with unique and distinct responsibilities of their own.

The Publication Committee publishes a bi-annual magazine titled SOLstice. It is an academic publication that focuses on legal research and analysis. It features scholarly articles written by faculty members and students, as well as practitioners in the field. Alongside SOLstice, it also publishes Thirty: The Legal Gauge, a monthly publication that highlights important and obscure pieces of legal news from the preceding month. Therefore every month, the two departments work persistently to enlighten and make aware its fellow classmates and faculty about the legal happenings in and around the world. Recently, the committee decided to merge the publication of this newsletter with its forthcoming blog. The upcoming blog will be an online publication that will provide a platform for expression of views and opinions on legal issues.

As NMIMS SOL celebrates the achievements of our first-ever graduating class, the publication committee is elated to introduce the first edition of the yearbook for our seniors. This yearbook will represent a historic moment for our college/department as we document the experiences and accomplishments of our very first graduates. The committee aspires to carry out more such conferences for scholars, practitioners and students apart from the aforementioned publications.

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