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### CALL FOR PAPERS

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Ramaiah College of Law (RCL) is a premier law college situated in Bengaluru, imparting quality legal education since 1995. Apart from regular academic activities, the Institution strives to contribute to research in the field of law. The Editorial Board of M.S. Ramaiah Journal of Law (MSRJL) hereby invites articles from academicians, law professionals, research scholars and students of law. The Journal is an annual, ISSN (0975-9905) certified, blind peer-reviewed publication of RCL, which marked its beginning in 2010. A trendsetter journal of law, it seeks to encourage the analysis of law and impact its evolution. We would like contributors to address emerging issues in contemporary society through a pragmatic yet humanistic approach. A theoretical study complemented by empirical research will be much appreciated.

The current call for papers is to bring forth a special *Silver Jubilee Edition* edition “*Lekha*” to commemorate the “*Access to Justice Conclave, July 2023*”, held at Ramaiah College of Law, Bengaluru.

#### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

##### 1. Theme: Access to Justice.

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##### Subthemes:

- a) Role of Law Colleges
  - Promoting access to justice through legal education and training.
  - The challenges faced by law schools in promoting access to justice.
  - Collaboration of law schools with other stakeholders to promote access to justice.

b) Technology

- The role of technology in promoting access to justice, such as through online legal resources and platforms.
- The challenges faced in using technology to promote access to justice, such as the digital divide and lack of awareness.
- The use of technology to overcome the challenges faced by marginalized communities in accessing justice.

c) LGBTIQ+ Community

- The challenges faced by the LGBTIQ+ community in accessing justice, such as discrimination and violence.
- The role of the legal system in protecting the rights of the LGBTIQ+ community.
- Accessing the legal system to challenge discrimination and violence against the LGBTIQ+ community.

d) Divyang Community

- The challenges faced by the Divyang community in accessing justice, such as inaccessible legal infrastructure and lack of awareness of legal rights.
- The role of the legal system in protecting the rights of the Divyang community.
- How the legal system can be used to challenge discrimination and violence against the Divyang community.

e) Farmers

- The challenges faced by farmers in accessing justice, such as land disputes and debt traps.
- The role of the legal system in protecting the rights of farmers.
- Accessing the legal system to challenge the exploitation of farmers by corporations and other powerful actors.

**2. Word Limit:** 3,000 – 6,000 words (all word limits are exclusive of footnotes)

**3. Abstract:**

The article should be preceded by an abstract of not more than **250 words**.

**4. Authorship:**

Submissions are invited from students, academicians, research scholars and practitioners of law. Co-authorship up to a maximum of **two authors** is permitted.

## 5. Citation Style:

The article shall adhere to OSCOLA 4<sup>th</sup> edition.

## 6. Formatting Guidelines:

- The submission must be word processed and in Times New Roman.
- The main text should be in font size 12 and footnotes in font size 10 size of the Title shall be 16 and bold.
- A line spacing of 1.5 for the main text and 1.0 for footnotes should be followed.
- Text should be justified throughout.
- All paragraphs must begin with a one-inch indent.
- All hyperlinks must be in black and must not be underlined.
- Pages are to be numbered using the automatic page numbering function.
- Decimal system of headings with no more than four levels may be used.
- Headings shall be capitalized (capitalize all words except articles, prepositions, and conjunctions). They shall be aligned to the left.
- Submissions in pdf shall not be accepted.
- The Journal encourages the use of gender-neutral language.
- All the received articles/research papers will be subject to a plagiarism check.
- All submissions will go through an initial round of review and selection by the Editorial Board and then be sent for blind peer- review, before being finalised for publication.
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- The subject of the mail should be "MSRJL Volume VIII, 2023" and should contain the name of the author(s), institutional affiliation, mobile number(s) and email id(s).
- The mail should also include a duly completed, signed and scanned copy of the declaration (draft attached as Annexure I).
- Decision of the Editorial Board with respect to the selection of articles will be final.
- Text should be justified throughout, with the first line of each paragraph indented (except where it immediately follows a heading). Also justify footnotes, the abstract and acknowledgments. Quotations of more than 50 words should be set off clearly by indenting (both left and right). For quotations of 50 words or less, use double quotation marks for direct quotations and single quotation marks for quotations within quotations. Abbreviations should be defined at first mention and used consistently thereafter. All tables are to be numbered using Arabic numerals.

## 7. Important Dates:

- Last date for submission of abstract and full paper: December 30<sup>th</sup> 2023.
- Intimation of selected articles: January 31<sup>st</sup> 2024.
- Tentative date of release of publication: March 2024.

**8. Contact:**

- For any details or queries a mail can be sent to: **msrlawjournal@msrcl.org**

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