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Maharashtra National Law University, Aurangabad

National Seminar on
“Sports Law : The Shifting Paradigms”

Two-Day Seminar :
28 th June 2024 – 29 th June 2024

CENTRE FOR SPORTS LAW
IN COLLABORATION WITH
ATHARVA LEGAL



About Maharashtra National Law University, Aurangabad (MNLUA)



The State of Maharashtra, upon realizing the importance of quality legal education and the need for well-trained Law Graduates in the Bar and Bench, decided to establish three National Law Universities in the State of Maharashtra at Mumbai, Nagpur, and Aurangabad in the years 2015, 2016, and 2017, respectively. All three National Law Universities are independent and autonomous in nature and are established by virtue of the Maharashtra National Law University Act, 2014.

MNLUA commenced its operations on March 16, 2017. Being an institution of national importance, it has fulfilled the aspirations of the people of the Marathwada Region. The University has its own 50-acre lush green campus situated near Kanchanwadi at Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar (Aurangabad). By virtue of the statute, the Chief Justice of India or his nominee is the Chancellor of the University, and the Chief Justice of the High Court of Bombay is the Pro-Chancellor of the University.

MNLUA is established with the intent to impart quality legal education and to develop advanced clinical pedagogies and research. It also instills values of the profession along with various skill sets required for the profession of advocacy.

Presently, it offers various undergraduate and postgraduate programs in the disciplines of Law, Management, and Public Policy. Furthermore, it provides postgraduate studies and research programs with specializations in Constitutional Law, Human Rights, Commercial Laws, Finance and Human Resource Management, Medical Laws, and Hospital Management, etc. It has also initiated various innovative courses blending Law and Management, Financial Services, and Court Administration, Medical Laws, and Hospital Management to strengthen the prospects and employability of the students. Additionally, MNLUA offers a Post-Doctoral Research Programme in Law (LL.D.).



About The Centre

The Centre for Sports Law has been established with a view to promoting interdisciplinary research on Sports Law. The Centre aims to encourage multidisciplinary study in the field of Sports Law, including, but not limited to, general laws.

The Centre for Sports Law is a research centre housed in MNLUA. The Centre focuses on research and education in the field of sport. The activities of the Centre involve the following:

- Contributing to research in the fields of Sports Law, Sports Management, and Sports Governance.
- Creating awareness of the challenges and opportunities that exist in sports in India and around the world through the International Sports Law Lecture Series.
- Promoting positive reform in Sports Law, Policy, and Governance in India through the preparation of policy papers and scholarship.
- Encouraging student participation through research internships, webinars, and other events.
- Working closely with international partners of international Sports Lawyers and academics to encourage a deeper understanding of Sports Law, Business, and Governance in India and around the world.

About The Firm

Atharva Legal LLP is a full-service law firm offering services across a wide spectrum of areas, including transactional, regulatory, advisory, litigation, and alternative dispute resolution solutions with specific domain expertise in Sports Law, Corporate Advisory, White Collar Crimes, Arbitration & Litigation.

The firm delivers non-pareil quality of service through a dedicated team of legal professionals possessing the necessary domain expertise across all disciplines of the profession, including judicial and regulatory forums. Currently, the firm has a presence in India, with its offices in New Delhi, Bengaluru, and Mumbai.

The primary motivation behind establishing Atharva Legal was to offer nuanced and efficient solutions to our clients' transactional, advisory, regulatory, dispute resolution, and litigation requirements under one roof. It was the fervent desire of the founding partners to provide commercially viable legal advice and support across all sectors while ensuring a high degree of partner involvement and maintaining a constant vigil to safeguard the client's interests above all else.



About The Seminar

The international and domestic legal framework around sports is constantly evolving and shaping. To grasp the ever-changing dynamics between the various stakeholders in the sporting industry, it is important to understand the perspectives of each one of them through a nuanced discourse that addresses the diverse issues concerning them. Both state and non-state entities are constantly striving to have a policy and regulatory structure that is not only welfare centric but ensures accommodating and addressing the evolving scope of issues. Many such issues have seen a rapid development as well owing to numerous judicial directions and interventions. The need to have a nuanced multi-disciplinary understanding of matters pertaining to sports is of utmost relevance today. This seminar seeks to provide a platform for the same discourse by engaging with sports law practitioners, law firms, lawyers, members of judiciary, academicians and institutional stakeholders.

Call for Papers

Research papers are solicited from academicians, researchers, research scholars, legal practitioners, and students. Selected papers will be considered for publication in an edited book with an ISBN number. However, submission and presentation of a paper do not guarantee publication, and the editorial board's decision regarding suitability for publication is final. Participants must present their papers (along with a PowerPoint presentation) during the seminar, either online or offline, at the scenic MNLUA campus on June 28th and 29th, 2024.





Themes

The Theme of the seminar are:

1. SPORTS GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT.
2. GOVERNMENTAL INTERFERENCE IN NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL SPORTS FEDERATIONS.
3. IPR & SPORTS.
4. VICTIMOLOGICAL STUDIES IN SPORTS.
5. SAFEGUARDING OF ATHLETES THROUGH INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS.
6. E-SPORTS & GAMBLING.
7. SPORTS RELATED DISPUTES AND ARBITRATION.
8. SPORTS AND TECHNOLOGY.

Submission Guidelines

Participants are requested to submit an abstract ranging from 300 to 350 words. The abstract must include the name(s) of the author(s), email address(es), contact number(s), and designation(s). The full paper should not exceed 6000 words, inclusive of citations. There is a limitation to submit only one abstract /author. The abstract should clearly identify and mention the “ theme” under which it has been submitted.

Formatting Guidelines

All submissions should adhere to specific formatting requirements. These include utilizing Times New Roman font with a size of 12 and maintaining A4 paper size with 1-inch margins on all sides. Additionally, apply 1.5 line spacing throughout the document. It is essential to use MS Word for document preparation and ensure that citations strictly adhere to the Bluebook (21st Edition) style guide.

Submission Instructions

Abstracts and full-length papers, both in .docx format, are to be emailed to centre.sports.law@mnlua.ac.in. When submitting the final file, please name it after the author.

Registration Details

Registration will be considered complete upon successful payment of the fee. All payments must be processed through the provided registration link following the submission of the abstract.

Registration link

<https://forms.gle/JyTVKxNXEDxnJ2bM6>

Registration Fee

Category -1 : Research scholar and Students:- ₹1500

Category -2 : Professionals and Academican:- ₹2000

(A maximum of 2 authors are permitted per paper)

Payment link

<https://forms.eduqfix.com/mnluansosl/add>



Awards

Best Research Paper :

Cash Prize of ₹10,000/- & Certificate of Merit.

Second Best Research Paper :

Cash Prize of ₹8,500/- & Certificate of Merit.

Third Best Research Paper :

Cash Prize of ₹6,500/- & Certificate of Merit.

Participants shall be given Certificate of Appreciation.

Tentative Schedule

- Last date for Registration and Submission of the Abstract:
30th May 2024
- Last date for Full Paper Submission (soft copy):
20th June 2024
- Date of Seminar : 28th & 29 June 2024

Accommodation

The University shall facilitate the boarding and lodging at reasonable charges.

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