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**"Constitutional  
Democracy is in Crisis  
Navigating Challenges  
of The 21st Century "**

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NATIONAL ESSAY  
WRITING  
COMPETITION



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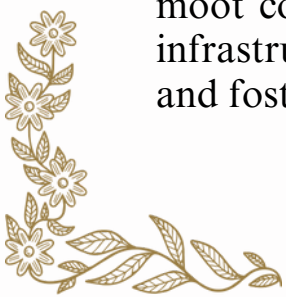


## ABOUT DR. D.Y. PATIL LAW COLLEGE, PIMPRI, PUNE



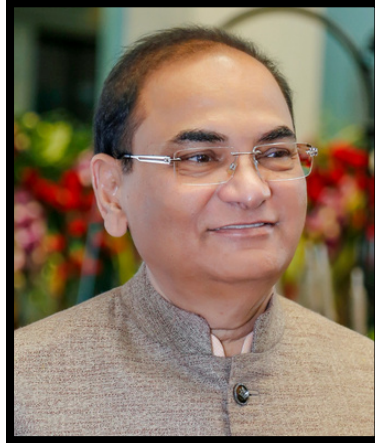
Dr. D.Y. Patil Law College, Pimpri, was established in 2001 under the esteemed patronage of Dr. P.D. Patil, Chairman of Dr. D.Y. Patil Unitech Society. The college is affiliated with Savitribai Phule Pune University and is recognized by the Government of Maharashtra and the Bar Council of India. Set on a picturesque campus in Pimpri, Pune, our institution stands as one of the premier law schools in the region. Our college offers comprehensive degree programs including the 3-year Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) and the 5-year integrated Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws (B.A.LL.B), both affiliated with Savitribai Phule Pune University. In addition to these, we provide specialized diploma programs in Taxation Laws, Labour Laws, and Cyber Laws. To complement the university curriculum, we also offer value-added courses such as Soft Skills Certification, the Rio +25 United Nations Water Action International Short-Term Course, and Mediation and Negotiation Tools and Techniques Certification. We empower our students with industry leading knowledge by hosting events like Training Programmes with IIT Kharagpur and IIT Hyderabad, and Generative AI Workshops with Just AI's founder, fostering learning, growth and innovation.

Founded by Padmashri Dr. D.Y. Patil in 1984, Dr. D.Y. Patil Unitech Society (formerly Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidya Pratishthan) aims to create educational institutions that serve deserving students, with a special focus on those from underprivileged backgrounds. Our college operates through various statutory and non-statutory committees dedicated to achieving student-centric goals. The institution boasts a modern, spacious campus equipped with advanced facilities, including well-maintained classrooms, a moot court hall, an auditorium, sports grounds, and ample ICT tools. Our infrastructure is designed to support a comprehensive educational experience and foster academic excellence.





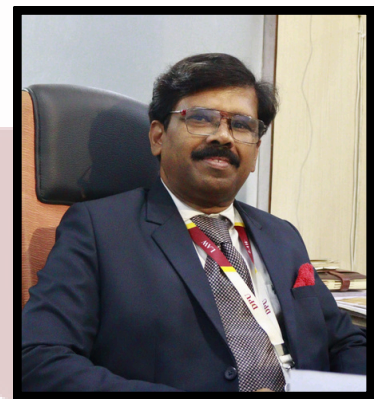
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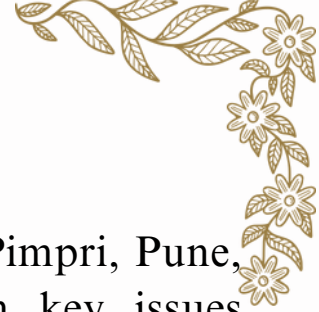


## ABOUT Pimpri Law Review (PLR)



Pimpri Law Review (PLR) is an academic amalgamation of students & faculty across law schools in India and abroad, as well as academics, scholars, lawyers, judges, and jurists. Pimpri Law Review (PLR) is a double-blind peer-reviewed law journal (ISSN : 2583-5947 (Online)) which is published bi-annually. Our team of editors includes a wide range of scholars, practitioners, judges, subject matter experts, faculty, and students. One of the features that makes our editorial board stand apart is the presence of Senior Counsels and Senior Partners, having a tall standing at the Bar. PLR has been established with intent to generate substantial legal commentary and authority on diverse legal concerns, leading to the development in colossal realm of law. We aim to offer a platform to legal scholars, around the globe, and help amplify their work. PLR is an enabling platform amplifying public concerns as regards to the assault on the Rights discourse, globally.





## **Vision of the Essay Writing Competition**

This essay writing competition at Dr. D.Y. Patil Law College, Pimpri, Pune, provides students with a platform to critically engage with key issues surrounding the Indian Constitution. As we reflect on the transformations over the past 78 years, participants will examine the evolution, challenges, and opportunities within the constitutional framework of India. This competition encourages students to explore constitutional principles, assess their impact on contemporary governance and society, and contribute thoughtful insights into the ongoing development of India's constitutional democracy.

## **Competition Themes**

The theme for this year's competition is "Constitutional Democracy in Crisis: Navigating Challenges of the 21st Century." Participants are invited to engage with various pressing issues facing India's constitutional democracy in the modern era. Sub- themes include:

- 1.Erosion of Democratic Institutions: Challenges to Constitutional Governance**
- 2.The Role of Judiciary in Safeguarding Constitutional Democracy**
- 3.Balancing Individual Rights with National Security in the 21st Century**
- 4.Media Freedom and Its Role in a Constitutional Democracy**
- 5.The Impact of Technology on Democratic Processes and Constitutional Rights**

Participants are encouraged to explore these sub-themes and contribute to discussions on how India's constitutional democracy can navigate the complex challenges of the 21st century.

**NOTE: Participants are allowed to explore other themes related to the constitutional law.**





## Call for Submissions

Essays on the theme “Constitutional Democracy in Crisis: Navigating Challenges of the 21st Century” and the corresponding sub-themes are invited from students in the fields of Law, Criminology, Public Administration, Sociology, and related disciplines. Participants are encouraged to engage critically with the challenges and dynamics affecting constitutional democracy in the 21st century, drawing insights from their academic backgrounds and areas of expertise.

## Awards and Certificates

<b>1st Prize</b>	<b>5,000</b>
<b>2nd Prize</b>	<b>3,000</b>
<b>3rd Prize</b>	<b>1,000</b>

All participants will receive a Certificate of Participation. The top 3 entries in the Dr. D.Y. Patil Law College Essay Writing Competition will be awarded a Certificate of Merit, a cash prize, and will have their essays published on the Pimpri Law Review (PLR), ISSN 2583-5947 (Online)





# Essay Submission Guidelines

Authors must adhere to the following guidelines for their essay submissions

## Essay Guidelines

- The name of the author(s) or any other form of identification must not be mentioned in the essay.
- Co-authorship is limited to a maximum of 1 author
- Word Limit: 1500-2000 words, excluding footnotes.
- Font Style: Times New Roman.
- Font Size: 14 for headings, 12 for body text, 10 for footnotes.
- Line Spacing: 1.5 for body text, 1.0 for footnotes.
- Citation Style: ILI.
- Margins: 1 inch (i.e., 2.54 cm) on each side.
- Each individual or team is allowed only one submission.

Each entry must be previously unpublished work of the author(s). Articles that have been published elsewhere or selected/submitted for publication elsewhere will be disqualified.

**Note:** Speaking footnotes are allowed in the submissions but are not mandatory. If included, they should be limited to a maximum of 50 words each. The plagiarism limit is 10%, following UGC guidelines.

Use of artificial intelligence for submissions is strictly prohibited and highly discouraged.

### Steps to Submit

The submission must be done through the given email : [legalresearch.law@dypvp.edu.in](mailto:legalresearch.law@dypvp.edu.in) . The name of the document should be in the following format: <Title of the Paper\_EssayComp>.

Registration Fee	Amount
Single Author	299/-
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**Registration and Submission Deadline 10th November 2024**





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**We look forward to your participation and engagement!**





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