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At Galgotias University, we want to ensure that we are providing students with a profoundly transformative experience- intellectually, socially and personally that will ignite critical thinking in their young minds. The focus on 360-degree transformation is to ensure commitment to excellence at all levels in the institution.

Over the years, it has been our deep and rich value system that has made Galgotias University synonymous with quality education. The School of Law (SOL) at Galgotias University has been performing exceptionally well. It is apparent from the innumerable accolades that the students have won over the years in various National & International competitions ranging from Moot Courts, Trial Advocacy, Paper Presentation, Youth Parliament, Essay Writing Competition, Model United Nations amongst others. The School of Law has been following the inter-disciplinary approach in teaching, which is supported by its domain-expert faculty, state-of-the-art infrastructure, international quality teaching pedagogies, special lectures by legal experts, and excellent nurturing environment for learning and thinking.

SOL has emerged as an institution of repute for legal studies, more specifically for domain-specific specialization ranging from Corporate Law, Intellectual Property Law, Criminal Law and Constitutional Law which address the current needs of the industry, state, society and individuals. Over the years, SOL has witnessed a considerable increase in the enrollment in the various innovative Courses offered, namely, 3 Years LL.B. (Hons.), 5 Years Integrated B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) & B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M. and Ph.D. Program.

It gives me immense pleasure in launching the June - December 2019 Issue of School of Law Newsletter. The Newsletter will make the readers acquainted with the relevant national and international legal issues. The Newsletter will showcase the National events organized by the SOL and most importantly, the exemplary legal services provided by the Legal Aid Society, which is worth mentioning. It's an innovative introduction of publishing the Interview of the Legal Luminary, the Faculty Member and the Alumni of SOL.

I hope our readers will enjoy reading this Issue of Newsletter.

Message from Mr. Dhruv Galgotia, CEO, Galgotias University



“There is but one law for all, namely that law which governs all law, the law of our Creator, the law of humanity, justice, equity- the law of nature and nations”, said Edmund Burke.

The above quote precisely sums up the necessity of Legal education in society. The scholars have said that legal education is a human science which furnishes beyond techniques, skills and competences the underlying philosophies, ideologies, critiques, and instrumentalities, all addressed to the creation and maintenance of a just society.

School of Law, Galgotias University has been a pioneer institution since its inception providing world-class knowledge, skills, training and infrastructure to the law students required for their holistic development. The Course Curriculum followed for various Law Courses offered at graduate and post-graduate level at SOL, is a combination of practical and theoretical study involving national and global perspective. The students are facilitated with internship and placement assistance which enables the School to stand out in comparison to other law colleges in this area. The focus is not only on classroom teaching, but also the students of SOL have been participating and winning laurels in the events organized at the national and international platform. In the year 2019, the law students from Galgotias University have won several awards in the National Moot Court Competitions organized by Shobhit Deemed University, Mewar Law Institute and JIMS Engineering Management Technical Campus. You would enjoy reading the compilation of Campus News and Students Achievements in the current issue of Newsletter. Our students are actively participating in Sports Events and have won several prizes in Cricket, Badminton and Tennis in various Competitions organized at the regional and national level.

We aim at establishing benchmark in academic excellence and holistic grooming to help our students to meet the career challenges in the increasingly globalized economic scenario. In the last few months workshops, conferences, colloquium and immense industry exposure has transformed the law campus into a platform for opportunities for the students continue to grow academically.

I am pleased to present our e-newsletter from the School of Law, Galgotias University. Thank you for taking out the time to read and give us valuable thoughts.

Message from Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Bajaj, Vice-Chancellor, Galgotias University

Galgotias University is devoted to excellence in teaching, research and innovation, and to develop leaders who will make a difference to the world. The 'students-first' philosophy is the dynamic force behind Galgotias University consistent ranking amongst top universities in India. Not many are aware of this fact, but the logo of Galgotias University holds a symbolic meaning. The red colour in the logo symbolizes enthusiasm and vigour, signifying Galgotias University's quest for excellence and zeal to inspire the next generation of leaders. The Yellow colour stimulates mental process to innovate and encourages openness in communication signifying Galgotias University's endeavour to provide a learning environment facilitating open dialogue between faculties and students. The Blue colour signifies trust, dependability and commitment, the three virtues that act as the source of credibility earned by Galgotias University over the years. School of Law, Galgotias University has been working in consonance with the University's objective of combining rigorous academic study and the holistic development to bring a unique learning experience for the students.



School of Law offers world-class infrastructure including fully-fledged Library, with thousands of books, academic journals inclusive of online legal databases. SOL has been organizing training sessions for the faculty members and the students to make them familiar with the use of e-databases like **Manupatra** and **SCC Online**. The School has a Moot Court Hall to enable practical court-room training for the students. SOL has strong industry connections, and hosts eminent lawyers, advocates, and academicians interacting with young law students and helping them to understand the intricacies of judicial matters and proceedings.

SOL is continuously striving to provide a world-class legal education that is intellectually stimulating and professionally rewarding. Imparting legal education requires a lot of rigour and training to teach human values and ethical standard to the students. I am delighted with the extent of hard work, dedication and enthusiasm of the faculty members and the students in making SOL reach great heights. I indeed foresee a great future for the School of Law, Galgotias University. I hope you will enjoy reading about the accomplishments of the School of Law in the current issue of Newsletter. Happy Reading!

Message From Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad, PVC & Dean, School of Law, Galgotias University



We, at Galgotias University, are delighted to share with you the current issue of the Newsletter from the School of Law. As you are aware, the School of Law, Galgotias University, in its short history, has been recognized as the renowned and specialized law school with a socio-economic and techno-legal approach in the study of law. The law school has adopted the best management practices for providing quality education, prevalent in the top-notch law universities in India and abroad.

SOL is distinguished for the best quality of students, academic staffs, innovative teaching and learning support provided to our esteemed faculty and students. The School engages with the community and partners with local industries, courts, NGOs, top-ranking universities and organizations at the national and international level with an intent to provide a world-class education to the students and to facilitate their involvement in our teaching and research programs, ensuring that our students have access to networking opportunities and real-world insights to the legal industry.

The School places equal emphasis on the development of legal skill sets through Moot Courts, Trial Advocacy, Client Counseling, ADR, Debates and Legal Aid Clinics. Some of our recent graduates holding eminent job positions in India and abroad are demonstrating the moral standards at their work environment which they have acquired while studying at the law school. We expect the students to be exemplary achievers and pacesetters and engage actively in the various activities and professional associations which will provide them with opportunities to acquire leadership and personal skills, outside the formal classroom setup.

This issue of Newsletter is particularly close to me, as this is the first issue which is getting released in my tenure at the law school. I acknowledge the hard work of the Faculty Co-ordinators in showcasing the choicest of achievements and events of the School of Law through this Newsletter.

I hope you will enjoy reading the current issue of the Newsletter.

Courtroom Drama

Disputed Ayodhya Site Goes To Temple, Muslims to Get Alternative Land: SC



The Supreme Court cleared the way for the construction of a Ram Temple at the disputed site at Ayodhya and directed the Centre to allot a 5-acre plot to the Sunni Waqf Board for building a mosque. In one of the most important and most anticipated judgments in India's history, a 5-judge Constitution bench headed by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi put an end to the more than a century-old dispute that has torn the social fabric of the nation.

The Apex Court said the mosque should be constructed at a "prominent site" and a trust should be formed within three months for the construction of the temple at the site where many Hindus believe Lord Ram was born. The site was occupied by the 16th-century Babri mosque which was destroyed by Hindu Karsevaks on December 6, 1992. The bench, also comprising of Justices S.A. Bobde, D.Y. Chandrachud, Ashok Bhushan and S. Abdul Nazeer, said possession of the disputed 2.77-acre land rights will be handed over to the deity Ram Lalla, who is one of the three litigants in the case. The possession, however, will remain with a central government receiver.

The Apex Court said the extensive nature of Hindus worshipping at the outer courtyard at the disputed site has been there, and the evidence suggests the Muslims offered Friday prayers at the mosque which indicates that they had not lost possession of the site. It said that despite obstruction caused in offering prayers at Mosque, the shreds of evidence suggest that there was no abandonment in offering prayers.

Courtesy- livelaw.in

Sabarimala Temple Review

The Sabarimala temple in Kerala is a shrine dedicated to Lord Ayappa. It has a practice where it doesn't allow the entry of women between the age group of 10 to 50 years. The reason- they are considered 'impure' because of mensuration. In a milestone judgment, the Supreme Court put the light on the constitutional validity of religious practices that put checks on women. In a 3:2 split verdict in November, the SC referred the Sabarimala temple case to a larger seven-judge bench. The top court noted that it should be careful in matters about beliefs of any religion be it restrictions of entry of women in some mosques and dargahs, female genital

mutilation in case of Dawoodi Bohras or the marriage of Parsi women to non-Parsis and said the entry of Muslim women in some Mosques, Parsi women and Dawoodi Bohra cases are all similar to issues in the Sabarimala review case.



The matters about religion should be cautiously dealt, keeping in mind the faith of believers and the principles of equality. "Patriarchy in religion cannot be allowed to trump right to pray and practice religion", and "To treat women as children of a lesser god is to blink at the Constitution."

Courtesy- livelaw.in

Will Not Dilute Provisions of SC/ST Act, Says SC



The Supreme Court on Thursday said it would not "dilute" the provisions of the SC/ST Act, 1989 and made it clear that its Constitution bench had already held that anticipatory bail could be granted in such matter if the courts feel that no 'prima facie' case is made out. The Apex Court reserved its verdict on the petitions challenging the

validity of the 2018 amendments to The Scheduled Castes and Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 that had nullified the directions in its verdict last year on March 20, diluting the provisions of arrest under the law. A bench headed by Justice Arun Mishra said that the top court had on October 1 recalled the two directions passed last year by its two-judge bench and restored the earlier position of the law.

In its 2018 verdict, the apex court had taken note of the rampant misuse of the stringent SC/ST Act against government servants and private individuals and said

that there would be no immediate arrest on any complaint filed under the law. The 2018 amendments rule out any provision for anticipatory bail for a person accused of atrocities against SC/STs, notwithstanding any court order. They provide that no preliminary inquiry would be required for registering a criminal case and an arrest under this law would not be subject to any approval.

Courtesy- livelaw.in

Essar Steel Case



The Supreme Court cleared Arcelor Mittal's takeover of Essar Steel. The judgment is important because it is likely to help facilitate the biggest takeover of bad debt in Corporate India. It also ruled that the Committee of Creditors will have the final say in the resolution plans under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) and that the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) and

National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) cannot interfere with CoC's commercial decisions. It said that the Committee of Creditors has all rights to decide on the distribution of funds released from the sale of the insolvent asset, and the adjudicating authorities cannot make changes into the approved resolution plan.

This landmark judgment gives the single biggest realization from any asset to financial creditors, qualitatively, and this is the biggest for the financial sector in getting their due rights and primacy in the order of things. The value maximization this brings about and the pursuit for successful resolution will empower the macro ecosystem.

The Supreme Court also passed orders on making available the top court's judgments in seven languages including English and Hindi. Like last year, the Supreme Court of India continued its tradition of passing progressive and landmark judgments, strengthening the Constitution of India and upholding the highest ideals of our founding fathers.

Courtesy- livelaw.in

The Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2019

The Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2019 was introduced in Lok Sabha by the Minister of Home Affairs, on December 9, 2019. The Bill seeks to amend the Citizenship Act, 1955. The Citizenship Act, 1955 provides various ways in which citizenship may be acquired. The Bill clarifies that the proposed amendments on citizenship to the specified class of illegal migrants will not apply to certain areas. These are: (i) the tribal areas of Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, and Tripura, as included in the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, and (ii) the states regulated by the "Inner Line" permit under the Bengal Eastern Frontier Regulations 1873. These Sixth Schedule tribal areas include Karbi Anglong (in Assam), Garo Hills (in Meghalaya), Chakma District (in Mizoram), and Tripura Tribal Areas District. Further, the Inner Line Permit regulates visit of all persons, including Indian citizens, to Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, and Nagaland.



Features of the Bill

- The CAB amends the 64-year-old Indian Citizenship law, which currently prohibits illegal migrants from becoming Indian citizens.
- It defines illegal immigrants as foreigners who enter India without a valid passport or travel documents or stay beyond the permitted time. Illegal immigrants can be deported or jailed.
- The new bill also amends a provision that says a person must have lived in India or worked for the federal government for at least 11 years before they can apply for citizenship.

Background of the Bill

The Citizen Amendment Bill was first put before parliament in July 2016. The legislation cleared parliament's lower house where the BJP has a large majority, but it did not pass in the upper house, after violent anti-migrant protests in north-eastern India. The protests were particularly vocal in Assam state, which in August saw two million residents left off a citizens' register. Illegal migration from Bangladesh has long been a concern in the state. The National Register of Citizens

(NRC) is a list of people who can prove they came to the state by 24 March 1971, a day before neighboring Bangladesh became an independent country.

Courtesy: prsindia.org; and gktoday.in

The Personal Data Protection Bill, 2019

The Personal Data Protection Bill, 2019 was introduced in Lok Sabha by the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology, Mr. Ravi Shankar Prasad, on December 11, 2019. The Bill seeks to provide for the protection of personal data of individuals and establishes a Data Protection Authority for the same. The Bill governs the processing of personal data by (i) government, (ii) companies incorporated in India, and (iii) foreign companies dealing with personal data of individuals in India. Personal data is data that pertains to characteristics, traits or attributes of identity, which can be used to identify an individual. The Bill categorizes certain personal data as sensitive personal data. This includes financial data, biometric data, caste, religious or political beliefs, or any other category of data specified by the government, in consultation with the Authority and the concerned sectoral regulator.

Background of the Bill

The 2018 Supreme Court verdict declaring "privacy" as a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution of India (protection of life and personal liberty) in the Justice K.S. Puttaswami vs Union of India case. A subsequent nudge from the Supreme Court to frame such a law and, The Sri Krishna Committee's recommendations and drafts on privacy protection.

Features of the Bill

- Promote concepts of consent, purpose limitation, storage limitation and data minimization, etc.;
- Lay down obligations on agencies collecting personal data (data fiduciary) to collect only that data which is required for a specific purpose and with the express consent of the individual (data principal);
- Confer rights on the individual to obtain personal data, correct inaccurate data, erase data, update the data, port the data to other fiduciaries and the right to restrict or prevent the disclosure of personal data;



- Establish Data Protection Authority of India (DPAI) to protect the interests of individuals, prevent misuse of personal data, ensure compliance and promote awareness about data protection;
- Notify "social media intermediary" as a significant data fiduciary whose actions have a significant impact on electoral democracy, the security of the state, public order or sovereignty and integrity of India;
- Confer the "right of grievance" to individuals to complaint against data fiduciary;
- Empower the central government to exempt any government agency from the application of the proposed law;
- Empower DPAI to specify the "code of practice" to promote good practices of data protection and facilitate compliance and,
- Provide for "Adjudicating Officer" for deciding penalties and award compensation for violations and "Appellate Tribunal" to hear appeals against these.

Courtesy: prsindia.org; and gktoday.in

The Industrial Relations Code Bill, 2019



The Industrial Relations Code, 2019 was introduced in Lok Sabha by the Minister of Labor and Employment, Mr. Santosh Kumar Gangwar, on November 28, 2019. The bill allows companies to hire workers on a fixed-term contract of any duration. It seeks to set up of two-member tribunal (in place of one member) introducing a concept that some of the important cases will be

adjudicated jointly and the rest by a single member resulting in speedier disposal of cases.

Background of the Bill

The draft code on Industrial Relations has been prepared after amalgamating, simplifying and rationalizing the relevant provisions of following three Central Labor Acts:

- The Trade Unions Act, 1926
- The Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Act, 1946
- The Industrial Disputes Act, 1947

The industrial relations code is the third of four labor codes that have got approval from the Cabinet.

Features of the Bill

- Has retained the threshold on the worker count at 100 for prior government approval before retrenchment, but it has a provision for changing 'such number of employees' through notification.
- Has vested powers with the government officers for adjudication of disputes involving penalty as fines.
- Introduces a feature of 'recognition of negotiating union' under which a trade union will be recognized as sole 'negotiating union' if it has the support of 75% or more of the workers on the rolls of an establishment.
- As several trade unions are active in companies, it will be tough for anyone group to manage 75% support, hence taking away their negotiating rights. In such a case, a negotiating council will be constituted for negotiation.
- Underlines that fixed-term employees will get all statutory benefits on a par with the regular employees who are doing work of the same or similar nature.
- Under the code, termination of service of a worker on completion of tenure in fixed-term employment will not be considered as retrenchment.
- Proposes setting up of a "re-skilling fund" for the training of retrenched employees. The retrenched employee would be paid 15 days' wages from the fund within 45 days of retrenchment.

Courtesy: prsindia.org; and gktoday.in

The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2019



The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill 2019 has been passed by the Parliament. It was passed by the Rajya Sabha on 26th November 2019 and already passed by the Lok Sabha on 5th August 2019. The Bill seeks to recognize transgender persons, and confer anti-discriminatory rights and

entitlements related to education, employment, health, and welfare measures. The Bill will benefit a large number of transgender persons, mitigate the stigma, discrimination, and abuse against this marginalized section and bring them into the mainstream of society. It will lead to greater inclusiveness and will make the transgender persons productive members of society.

Background of the Bill

The Supreme Court in 2014 recognized transgender persons as a 'third gender', affirming their fundamental rights under the Constitution. The judgment in a case between the government of India and the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA known popularly as the NALSA case gave transgender people the right to "self-identification" as male, female or third-gender and granted reservations in educational institutions as well as public employment.

The new transgender bill prohibits discrimination by "denial" of "services", such as education, employment, and healthcare, but omits mention of affirmative action in jobs.

The marginalized status of transgender people was recognized by Justice K.S. Radhakrishnan, who said in the NALSA case: "Our society often ridicules and abuses the transgender community and in public places like railway stations, bus stands, schools, workplaces, malls, theaters, hospitals, they are sidelined and treated as untouchables, forgetting the fact that the moral failure lies in the society's unwillingness to contain or embrace different gender identities and expressions, a mindset which we have to change."

Features of the bill

- The Bill aims to stop discrimination against a transgender person in various sectors such as education, employment, and healthcare. It also directs the central and state governments to provide welfare schemes for them.
- The Bill states that a person will be recognized as transgender based on a certificate of identity issued through the district screening committee. This certificate will be a proof of identity as transgender and confer rights under this Bill.
- Going by the bill, a person would have the right to choose to be identified as a man, woman or transgender, irrespective of sex reassignment surgery and hormonal therapy.
- It also requires transgender persons to go through a district magistrate and "district screening committee" to get certified as a Trans person.
- The committee would comprise a medical officer, a psychologist or psychiatrist, a district welfare officer, a government official, and a transgender person.

Impeachment Hearing: Trump's Serious Misdemeanors Baffle Judicial Committee



Releasing a scathing 300-page report the Democratic-led House Intelligence Committee concluded that Trump had "compromised national security to advance his personal and political interests" and then engaged in an "unprecedented campaign" to prevent Congress from uncovering the truth. In releasing it the chairpersons of the three committees involved said, "The President's actions have damaged our national security, undermined the integrity of the next election, and violated his oath of office." The

Judiciary Committee does not decide on the Articles of Impeachment focused on obstruction of justice (cover-up of what happened) and abuse of power. Witness intimidation tactics figure in both charges.

House Republicans, as the minority political party, drafted a 123-page report that asserts that Democrats have failed in committee hearings to unearth evidence that Trump committed an impeachable offense in the Ukraine, where he and his lawyer sought negative information about Joe Biden. Evidence cited in the GOP report strives to exonerate President Donald Trump and his lawyer, Rudy Giuliani. However, the evidence incriminates both men. The technical distinctions the GOP uses in its report are transparent.

The House Judiciary Committee drafts impeachment articles based on what the Intelligence Committee has sent them. Constitutional experts will testify about history, precedent, and language. These hearings will be a noisy and rude battle of fact and fiction demonstrating America, like other great democracies, has collected an assortment of colorblind politicians. Consider, says the GOP, "The Democrats' impeachment inquiry is not the organic outgrowth of serious misconduct; it is an orchestrated campaign to upend our political system." Democrats point out the impeachment inquiry is an organic outgrowth of serious misconduct by Trump and his administration, not only in Ukraine but also in dealings with Russia, Turkey and elsewhere.

Courtesy: globeandmail.com & indialegallive.com

Myanmar's Rohingya Muslims: Glimmer of Hope at Last?



For the Rohingyas, the large Muslim community living as stateless people in Myanmar for centuries and who have been facing abuse of their rights at their birthplace, there is still some hope left. With the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the UN's judicial body and the International Criminal Court (ICC) approving a full investigation into Myanmar's alleged crimes

committed by the Myanmar military. The case will be the first international legal attempt to bring a nation (Myanmar) to justice over allegations of crime against the Rohingyas, concerning an issue to which it is not directly a party. The Hague-based International Court of Justice, set up in 1945 to probe war crimes, authorized its prosecutors to launch an investigation into the persecution of the Rohingyas. An Argentinian rights group has separately filed a lawsuit over the Rohingyas, in which Myanmar's icon and Nobel laureate Aung San SuuKyι is personally named.

Though the country is not a member, the ICC says that Myanmar can be held responsible for crimes that affect the neighboring country Bangladesh. The ICJ settles disputes between nations while the ICC seeks to convict individuals responsible for crimes. Both courts are based in The Hague in the Netherlands. The UN adopted the resolution on the situation of the human rights of the Rohingyas at the 74th UN General Assembly. It was tabled by the UAE and Finland on behalf of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and it received 140 votes in its favor and nine against. Myanmar first refused to cooperate with the ICC investigation, stating that it was not a party to the Rome Statute. But it is a member of the ICC who can investigate Bangladesh, a party to the Rome Statute, agreed to co-operate with it.

While the ICC can hold an individual, not a state, responsible for the crimes against Rohingyas, the ICJ can hold Myanmar responsible. Myanmar is now facing a barrage of legal challenges globally in an attempt to make it responsible for its involvement in the alleged genocide against its people.

Courtesy: indialegallive.com



Maulana Fazlur Rehman, the man who has brought the Pakistani capital to a standstill by streaming in more than 100,000 people in what he calls "Azadi march" against the "illegal" Imran Khan government, has a strong Indian connection. The Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam, the party he heads, is an off-shoot of the Jamiat Ulema-e-Hind (JUH)—a nationalist party of ulemas (Islamic scholars) which was established in 1919 at DarulUloom Deoband, the renowned Islamic seminary. The JUH and Darul Uloom Deoband have been inspired by the work of Shah Waliullah, who urged the Indians to fight British imperialism. However, it was Waliullah's son, Shah Abdul Aziz

Dehlawi, who issued an edict calling for complete independence. It was his struggle for freedom that brought the JUH into the mainstream. He took part in the Khilafat Movement launched by Mahatma Gandhi and later developed close ties with the Indian National Congress and this relationship continues.

The JUH, despite being a party of Islamic scholars, always had a nationalist outlook and was opposed to Partition. This is the reason why there was a split in the party in 1945 when one of its leaders, Maulana Azad Subhani, wanted JUH to become the religious wing of the Muslim League. The party he created was called the JamiatUlema-e-Islam. After Partition, the JUH members in Pakistan were viewed with suspicion and called "Congress mullahs".

The former members of the JUH decided to form a new party, adopting the name of the party which was created by Subhani in 1946—Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam. Maulana Ahmad Ali Lahori was its first amir (President) and his deputy was Maulana Mufti Mahmood, father of Fazlur Rehman. Despite going their separate ways, leaders of both parties have a close relationship because both follow what is called the Deoband school of thought (Islamic Jurisprudence).

Courtesy: indialegalive.com

As We See It

India and Its Climate Change Policy

India is a country whose geographic and demographic location has always been advantageous, but with an increase in the global greenhouse gas emissions and the rise in temperature; it is predicted that with time the South Asian countries may experience increased flooding, high rates of heat-related mortality and high risks of drought-related water and food shortages.

The major issue that India faces is its ever-expanding poverty-ridden population, and such a problem can only be resolved with increased efforts in the development of the country. However, such development requires the addition of the concept of sustainability to it, where development can take place without harming the environment to an extent where it becomes irreparable. This leaves India on the verge of a precarious situation, where the last and the only option is to find an unbreakable and workable solution. India has to offer affordable energy sources for its 300 million population and then it can move on clean renewable energy resources.

With its evolution in climate change policy, with India being ignorant in the recent years of the Stockholm and Rio Declaration, it has now become aware of its policy-making decisions after the introduction of the Kyoto Protocol. The name of the Ministry of Environment and Forestry has been changed to Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Climate Change; India has recently ratified the Paris Agreement in 2016 where the agreement aims 55/55, that is 55 states with 55 percent of emissions.

Moreover, the Climate Change Action Plan of 2008 needs repair, as the most recent meeting of the Prime Minister's Council regarding the execution of the plan was in 2015, the budget has been allocated for different water, solar, sustainable agriculture missions and cells have been formed, the status of the missions is still on-going and needs better and faster execution.*

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Know Your Faculty

Prof. (Dr.) Azim B. Pathan

Prof. (Dr.) Azim B. Pathan is a Professor of Law & Chair of Research and Ph.D. Program at School of Law, Galgotias University. He is a passionate learner of law and social sciences. His doctoral work is on Climate Change Law and Envirospudence. He has a keen interest in Energy Law, Environmental Law and Comparative Public Law.

1. What made you chose law as a field of study? Did you always imagine yourself to become a professor?

Law as an instrument of social change has always fascinated me when I used to see the work of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Mahatma Gandhi as they employ law to bring change in the life of downtrodden and in the freedom struggle. I have always perceived study in law as the medium through which I can attain my goal of making people aware of their Rights, Liberty and their Duties towards the nation. I see the study of law as a chance to acquire knowledge in many related fields like history, polity, geopolitics etc. Apart from this, a diligent study of law is followed by a financially satisfying career.

2. Tell us something about your teaching style and philosophy. Over the years, has there been any change in approach to the way you undertake teaching?

Once I began studying law, I realized the importance of knowing the history and political structure, not only of the country where we would practice but of other countries too. Hence, when I make people aware or teach younger law students about any Act or law, I explain them the background and the need which necessitated the enactment of that law, and harnessing the knowledge of history and political structure of the relevant country helps me in delivering effectively. In current time there is a change in the teaching pedagogy due to the advent of cyberspace and open source knowledge. Now pedagogy requires only problem-solution based curriculum delivery rather than focusing theoretical lecture delivery. Students' skill in crafting arguments critically and analytically has become paramount in course delivery. Real-time interdisciplinary problem solution activity-based course delivery has become now call of the time.

3. Do you think companies are more or less environmentally responsible now than they were in the past? Why do you think that is?

With the advancement of techniques that can catch and expose the exploitation of the environment to the world, I feel the companies have become more environment-friendly than they were in the past. Now in every sophistication they adapt, they look for eco-friendly ways, with the emissions of the least amount of waste. They

prefer the measure which is less polluting and have set up measures to advise them on environmental effects involved in various decisions. Environment protection compliances have also emerged which have also shouldered the responsibility on companies and industries as a matter of human right protection.

4. Which is more important, increasing people's standard of living, or protecting the environment?

Both are equally important, and a balance between both of them has to be arrived upon. While in a progressive world, a Welfare State cannot force its people to have a lower standard of living, at the same time, it cannot allow irreversible damage to the environment at the cost of progress and a high standard of living. The balance should be such that people lead a satisfactory standard of living and leave the environment sound enough for upcoming generations. It is vital that if we are cutting 100 trees for the developmental activities, it is also the responsibility of ours to plant 100 trees and protect the same. Development with sustainability is paramount for the progress and development of the country.

5. Away from your work, how do you prefer to unwind?

To unwind myself, I prefer to remain calm and silent at home. Scenic beauty also alleviates me of the tension that grips me after long working hours, so, on weekends of long vacations, I go to my village home, mountainside or beaches and relax in the company of nature.

6. What advice do you have for the current students at Galgotias University?

The knowledge of law confers a responsibility upon law students to awaken society and serve the country, and we must never shy away from this unavoidable duty. Also, only erudite lawyers who always have a thirst for knowledge can be useful for the society in a true sense, hence learn everything that comes your way which can help you improve your legal knowledge or can help you implement it in a better way. Always remember Three C Formula as student and professionals to grow in life. Always be **confident** to present yourself academically and professionally and prepare well in advance. Prepare your every assignment from the very first year and very first day. **Concentrate** on your work. Be focused on your goal. Try to invest your thought and attention on the challenges of the subject matters. Remember your concentrated approach on the learning skills of advocacy through course curriculum will make you the best man and woman for the justice delivery for tomorrow. **Continuity** is pivotal for success. Read new issues of the field, read journals and case books, involve yourself in the issues and problems of the society. Consider you are an advocate, and you have to solve the problems. Remember Adv Harish Salve and Adv Soli Sorabjee read regularly and keep themselves abreast with the current happenings.

Know Your Legal Luminary

Prof. (Dr.) Afzal Wani

Prof. (Dr.) Afzal Wani is an eminent scholar in the field of law. He is currently working as a Professor, University School of Law and Legal Studies, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University. He has more than 28 years of teaching and research experience and is known for having organized Training Programme for Law Teachers, national and internal conferences and seminars on relevant subjects. He has authored and edited more than ten books on various subjects like Women and Law, Human Rights, Islamic Jurisprudence, Constitutional Law and Industrial Jurisprudence. He has more than fifty research articles published in national and international journals to his credit.

1. Please tell the readers about your area of interest in the legal field?

My area of interest is Comparative Jurisprudence from a developmental perspective with a focus on human rights, gender justice and access to justice. The emphasis is to bring peace to the society and the International community ensuring better understanding of the law and its enforcement without denying justice to anybody.

2. Kindly expose us to the challenges and limitations to overcome to achieve the nobility?

The responsible people of the world and those in different nations, they must understand the whole of humanity as one family and aim to provide an appropriate place to all its members without any biasness and discrimination. The Indian constitution has to be understood in terms of its real goals of equality and dignity for all. Whenever this goal is not kept in mind during executive actions, in the law-making process, in judicial decision making, the end product is violence, that needs to be avoided.

3. What according to you, are the contemporary issues to achieve the nobility?

There are a lot of issues before the nation, lack of proper governance, people's participation, corruption, cost issues, and communal considerations; these all are only because of short-sighted approach. Otherwise, our constitution has provided for a very advanced polity aiming for the best, for all human beings.

4. Kindly share words of inspiration for the youth?

The youth of the country should make their life meaningful by helping others rather than selfishly focusing on their set targets. They should serve the society by providing legal aid. They will be remembered for their contribution to humanity rather than collecting material wealth for themselves.

Know Your Alumna

Ms. Priyanka Maurya

Ms. Priyanka Maurya is an Alumna of B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) Programme, batch 2014-2019 at the School of Law, Galgotias University. She is currently working as an Assistant Legal Adviser at Oil & Natural Gas Corporation, Surat, Gujarat.

1. Please tell us something about yourself? What made you chose Law as a field of your study?

I have completed my schooling from Lucknow. During my school days, I developed a keen interest in the legal field. I have always been intrigued by the socio-political-legal scenario prevailing in the country. I loved reading legal sections in the magazines and newspaper. In 2014, I joined the School of Law, Galgotias University, Greater Noida, for pursuing B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), as the School offered the specialization of my choice.

2. Please share your learning experience at the law school?

I had a fruitful learning experience during the five years at the law school. I have actively participated in the class-room discussions and always kept myself updated with the legal developments around the world. Dedicated faculty members of the School of Law have always emphasized on understanding the basics of any subject. They made sure, that the students refer to relevant articles and leading cases along with the theoretical understanding of the subject. Special lectures and seminars with eminent professors, judges and legal professionals as resource persons were organized on a regular basis for the students to bring them closer to the legal domain. It helped us in gaining in-depth understanding of the subjects.

3. Has your law school journey always been about academics? Have you been active in extra-curricular activities?

My law school journey has been a mix of academic and curricular activities. I have always been good at academics and I received scholarship for my 5 years course by the Hon'ble Chancellor of Galgotias University. But along with academics, I have actively participated in National Level Competitions and won 1st prize in the Banasthali National Moot Court Competition in the year 2018.

I even bagged the title of Ms. International Law at Delhi University International Law Quiz Competition 2018. These competitions were instrumental in instilling confidence and in developing excellent communication skills.

4. How did you secure a job position at ONGC? Please share your experience of working at ONGC? What is your area of practice?

After completing the five years integrated course at the School of Law, I decided to pursue LL.M. I appeared for the various entrance examination organized by CLAT, South Asian University, IIT Kharagpur and NLU Delhi. I was filled with immense happiness when I cleared all the entrance examinations with good rank. I was even appreciated by the Hon'ble Chancellor and Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Galgotias University for my efforts. I opted for the LL.M. Course at SAU as they offered specialization in International Law, which has been my area of interest. I even received scholarship for securing 3rd position in Asia.

But the almighty had something else planned for me, and I scored AIR 6 in the CLAT Entrance Examination. I was over whelmed when I received a call for job interview at ONGC, India's biggest Maharatna company on the basis of my CLAT ranking. I secured the job position as Assistant Legal Adviser with an initial package of 21 Lakhs at ONGC. I have been working at joined ONGC since November 2019 and I am fascinated with the work culture, learning environment, employee appraisals and other policies prevalent in the organization. Further, I am thankful to my law school for teaching subjects like Energy law, which is my core area of practice.

5. Please share any success mantra for the budding lawyers studying at the university?

Read and enhance your knowledge by studying the law subjects thoroughly. There is no shortcut for the same. One should participate in the national level competition which will hone your communication skills and develop the confidence for public speaking. Further, smart working and positive attitude towards life will definitely help you in achieving success in your respective domain.

Students Achievements

Panel Discussion on Restorative Justice

Students of Fifth Semester, B.A. LL.B, from School of Law, Galgotias University attended the Panel Discussion on Restorative Justice organized by Law Centre-II, the University of Delhi on September 16, 2019, at Umang Bhavan, New Delhi.

Mr. Face of India

Abhishek Parashar, a 2nd year Student of B.B.A. LL.B., from School of Law, Galgotias University, bagged the title of Mr. Face of India in a fashion event, Aura Face of India 2019, organized by Aura Academy, Surat.

Summer Training Programme on Public and Private International Law

Devansh Agarwal, a student of B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) from School of Law, Galgotias University has successfully completed the prestigious summer Training Programme on Public and Private International Law at the world-renowned Hague Academy of International Law, the Hague, Netherlands. This is a unique opportunity for a law student wherein they get international exposure from the most exceptional institute of International Law, whose prestige and renown is recognized in Academic as well as Diplomatic Sphere.

Judgement Writing Competition

Mohammad Irfan, a final year student of B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) of School of Law, Galgotias University bagged 3rd position in Judgement Writing Competition at 3rd R.U. Singh Memorial National Level Literary Events held at Faculty of Law, University of Lucknow on 21st September 2019.

Rakesh Aggarwal Memorial National Debate Competition

Students of SOL, Galgotias University again brought glory to the University. A team comprising of Neha Mishra and Prabhav Mishra from 2nd year, B.A. LL.B. participated in Rakesh Aggarwal Memorial National Debate Competition held on 21st September 2019 at IIMT New Delhi and bagged the Special Mention Award.

Conference on Changing Phases of Insolvency Aand Bankruptcy Code

The students of School of Law, Galgotias University attended the Conference on "Changing Phases of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code" on 26th September 2019 at Chelmsford Club organized by Forum for Development of Legal Knowledge and Skill and supported by NCLT and AT Bar Association. Hon'ble Justice S J Mukhopadhyaya, Chairperson, NCLAT, delivered the keynote address in the Conference. The conference targeted various amendments in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code and it's effects and implications on different sections of Society.

1st National Client Counseling Competition

Vibhishek Yadav, 3rd Year student of School of Law, Galgotias University won the 3rd Prize in Drafting at the 1st National Client Counseling Competition organized by Himachal Pradesh University, on 9th November, 2019.

Best Memorial Award: Kalinga 2nd National Moot Court Competition

School of Law, Galgotias University feels proud to share that, Afham Akhtar, Madhav Gupta & Vardaan Gupta, students of 2nd Year B.B.A. LL.B. Programme at School of Law, Galgotias University has bagged Best Memorial Award at Kalinga 2nd National Moot Court Competition held from 17th to 19th January 2020.

Panel Discussion on Constitution and the Marginalised

Vibhishek Yadav and Pinki, 3rd Year students of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) attended the Panel Discussion on Constitution and the Marginalised at the Constitution Club of India on 26th November 2019. The theme of the sessions were, Constitution and Representation at Critical Decision Making Positions, Constitution and Feminist Dalit Intervention and Constitution and the Marginalised.

National Conference on Criminal Law and Criminal Justice System

Vibhishek Yadav and Pinki, 3rd Year students of B.A. LL.B. (Hons), School of Law, Galgotias University presented a research paper on emerging legal issues at the National Conference on Criminal Law and Criminal Justice System on 17th November 2019 at Dehradun Law Conclave.

Campus News

Special Lecture by Mr. Badrinath Darvasula: 27th July 2019

Mr. Badrinath Darvasula, Vice President & General Counsel of Hindustan Construction Company Ltd. Mumbai had an interactive session with Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad, PVC & Dean, School of Law, Galgotias University and the faculty members on the theme "Current Developments in Law & Challenges of Legal Profession" on 27th July 2019.



GUSOL Induction Programme 2019: 20th - 30th August 2019

School of Law, Galgotias University, organized an Induction Programme for the law students of Batch 2019 in the Moot Court Hall of the School of Law. It was a 10-day event starting with the Manual Registration of the students, followed by Guest Lectures by eminent personalities from legal domain, briefing and welcoming of students by Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad, Dean & PVC, SoL, Galgotias University. Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad shared his journey as a law student and discussed the importance of law and the necessity of possessing legal knowledge in the present times.

Further, the students were even acquainted with the various Committees operational in the School of Law. An interactive session was organized with the Alumni of School of Law, Galgotias University, where they shared their experience and the intricacies of the legal profession with the 1st year students

Special Lecture By Ms. Megan Tucker, Mr. William Tucker & Mr. Avi Vatsa: 20th August 2019

Ms. Megan Tucker is the founder and Executive Director of Charity United, a US public charity which has brought humanitarian aid and educational assistance to



refugees, children, and people in need, throughout Europe, South America, Asia, and Africa. Mr. William Tucker is the Vice-President of D&Y Laboratories and co-owner of Living Clean LLC. He is currently engaged in bringing new technology to the market with product development at D&Y Laboratories.

Mr. AviVatsa is a Corporate Trainer & Consultant, who is associated with a wide array of organizations and educational institutions. The lecture given by them focused on the humanitarian aid and educational assistance to refugees, children, and people in need based on their experiences.

Special Lecture by Mr. Ishtiaq Ali, Orbit Law Services: 22nd August 2019

Mr. Ishtiaq Ali, Founding Partner of Orbit Law Services, Mumbai had an enriching session with the students and the faculty members of School of Law, Galgotias University on "Legal Profession & its Challenges" which was inspired by his own journey.



Special Lecture by Advocate Mr. Avinash Chandra Kher & Prof. Bhushan Tilak Kaul: 23rd August 2019



Mr. Avinash Chandra Kher, Former IAS and Advocate on Record Supreme Court delivered a lecture to the first-year students of School of Law Galgotias University during the Induction Programme where he emphasized on "What is Law" supporting it with his personal experiences. He further explained fundamental rights as well as legal rights and discussed the importance of the legal profession and professional ethics to be followed by a lawyer. Prof. Bhushan Tilak Kaul, the Former Chairperson of Delhi Judicial Academy in his lecture, mainly focused on the society: one must not grow individually; one should increase as a catalyst. He discussed the concept

of fraternity through Preamble of Indian Constitution. He emphasized on the past and present laws and the challenges of Article 21, Constitution of India. He explained the role of criminal justice, Fundamental Rights and Fundamental Duties and that every statute should be read with harmony to the Constitution.

Teacher's Day Celebration: 5th September 2019

School of Law, Galgotias University, organized Teacher's Day program for all the teaching and non-teaching members of School of Law at Moot Court Hall, School of Law. The event was a beautifully organized gathering filled with fun, frolic, dance and music performed by both the students and the faculty members.

Training Session Of Manupatra&Scc Online: 20th September 2019

Training Session of Manupatra& SCC Online was organized by the Library Committee for the first-year students of School of Law, Galgotias University on 20th September 2019. Both the legal databases are available for the free access in the School of Law Library to assist Faculty members and students in researching.

Special Lecture on Forensic Evidence: 21st September 2019

Mr. Rajiv Virmani, Director, Law Abiding Technology delivered a lecture on Forensic Evidence where the importance and role of 3D Laser Scanning in Preserving the Crime Scene was the main area and subject that was covered in the workshop. The guest lecture was conducted for the fourth and fifth year Criminal Honors students. The students gained in-depth knowledge about the working and importance of evidence and how the technology is changing the nature of evidence. It was in whole a fruitful and successful lecture.

A Survey on Child Labour Act & Motor Vehicle Act by Legal Aid Society: 22nd September 2019

Legal Aid Society, School of Law, Galgotias University organized one day Survey at Dankaur, Greater Noida on Child Labour Act and Motor Vehicle Act to provide knowledge-sharing platform for sharing best practices, success stories and experiences on implementation of Child Labour Act and Motor Vehicle Act and to discuss and deliberate the steps needed to be taken to strengthen these enactments further.

A briefing workshop on Right to Information was conducted by the Legal Aid Society, School of Law, Galgotias University on 20th September 2019. Dr. Gazal Gupta acted as Speaker in the workshop which was specifically designed to acquaint the first-year law students with the basics of RTI.

A Survey on Women's Condition in Society: 22nd September 2019

The main objective of the survey conducted by Legal Aid Society, SoL was to know the reasons behind the suffering of women at local market Jagat Farm, Greater

Noida, Uttar Pradesh and to provide knowledge to the local people about the laws and schemes and making them aware of their rights.

RTI Survey 2019: 22nd September 2019

A survey was organized at India Gate, New Delhi by the Legal Aid Society of School of Law Galgotias University. The team under the guidance of Dr. Gazal Gupta surveyed the RTI Act at India Gate on 22nd September 2019. The survey was conducted to inform the people of their rights and to give awareness of the Act. The event witnessed a close interaction between the members of the Legal Aid team and the general public at India Gate.

Sports Fest 2019: 23rd- 24th September 2019

A two day energetic and enthusiastic Sports Fest was organized by the Sports Committee, School of Law, Galgotias University. There were more than 300 participants comprising of both students and faculty members. There were more than five sports events which included badminton, basketball, table tennis, cricket, tug of war, etc. Various cash prizes and mementoes were given to the winners and the participants. Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad, PVC & Dean, SoL, Galgotias University and Dr. Mandeep Kumar, Convener, Sports Committee were the guiding light and motivation behind the organization of such a grand and successful event.

GUSOL Intramurals 2019: 27th - 28th September 2019



The Moot Court Society of School of Law organized the Intra-Mural Competition on 27th and 28th September 2019. Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad, Pro-Vice-Chancellor & Dean School of Law has always emphasized upon the importance of Mooting in the Law field & has provided continuous support & advice which helped towards the successful organization of the Intra-Murals 2019-20. The programme witnessed

participation of 35 teams in total. The moot problem released on 1st September covered several subjects of law such as Constitutional law, IPC, Indian Evidence Act, Criminal Procedure Code and many others. On 27th September, the programme started with the manual registration of teams followed by Researcher's test where the knowledge of facts & law, Proper Analysis, Extent & use of research, Clarity, Correct Research skills,



Citation & editing skills of researchers were tested. The Preliminary Rounds were then conducted where counsels of each team presented their case and were judged by our extraordinary and esteemed Faculty members of SoL. The Semi-Finals & Finals were held on 28th September. Akanksha Jain of 3rd Semester, B.B.A. LL.B. won the Best Speaker Award, Vani Garg from 7th Semester, B.A. LL.B. bagged the Best Researcher Award, Zeenat Razvi, Nikhil Singh of 3rd Semester B.A. LL.B. and Kumar Devang of 7th Semester, B.A. LL.B. won the Best Memorial Award during the Intra Murals 2019.



Round Table Discussion: Criminal Justice Delivery System (U.P.): 3rd October 2019

Round Table Discussion on Assessing the Gaps in Criminal Justice Delivery System and its Impact in Uttar Pradesh was organized by School of Law, Galgotias University in association with Indian National Bar Association on 3rd October 2019. The conference addressed the

issues and challenges in the criminal justice system and also suggested various solutions after in-depth discussion. The conference was organized for the faculty members of SOL.

Intra Debate Competition: 4th October 2019

Intra Debate Competition was organized on 4th October on the Recent Amendment in Motor Vehicle Act and was organized by Legal Aid Society, School of Law, Galgotias University. Mrs. Meenakshi Sinha, DLSA Gautam Budh Nagar was invited as the Chief Guest for the event. Over 100 students took part in the event; everyone was enthusiastic and argued well for putting up their points. It was in a whole a successful and fruitful event.



Special Guest Lecture by Justice S.S. Upadhyay: 4th October 2019

Justice S.S. Upadhyay, Former District and Session Judge & Legal Adviser to Honourable Governor of the State of U.P & Professor Emeritus from Teerthanker Mahaveer University, Moradabad delivered a lecture on Constitutional Governance of the State on 4th October 2019 at School of Law, Galgotias University.

Poster Making Competition: 11th October 2019

Legal Aid Society, School of Law, Galgotias University organized a Poster Making Competition on the Theme "Environment" on 11th October 2019. The event witnessed participation in huge numbers.

Galgotias 3rd National Debate and Literary Competition: 5th- 6th November

The School of Law Galgotias University organized the 3rd Edition of Phronesis 3.0. The event witnessed 120+ participation from every corner of the country, and it was full of excitement, learning with an aura of healthy competition.

The Youth Parliament comprised of Lok Sabha focusing on "The Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2019", AIPPM on "One Nation One Election", UNHRC+UNSC on Human Right Violation concerning Irregular Immigration and the Right to Self-determination and the Literary Event comprised of Slam Poetry and Open Mic.

Training Session of Lexis Advanc: 15th November 2019

The session is aimed to give an overview of the legal database and to help the students to use the offering effectively and efficiently for Legal Research, Assignments, Case Studies, Articles, Judgement Review/Analysis etc.

Jashn-E-Dastoor: 19th November 2019

Cultural Committee, School of Law, organized a one-day cultural event open for all law school students and faculty members. The event started with the inauguration ceremony by Prof. Dr. Tabrez Ahmed, PVC & Dean, SOL. Dr. Ahmed, along with the faculty members, went to each food and game stall to instil students with their zeal and energy and participated in the event in every way possible. There were 14 stalls in totality and all the faculty members, dean sir and students enjoyed dance, to the fullest. There were also prizes for the best stall, Mr. Ethnic (Student and Faculty) and Ms. Ethnic (Student and Faculty).

Special Lecture on Responding to the Global Financial Crisis through Legal And Regulatory Reforms: 23rd November 2019

A lecture on "Responding to the Global Financial Crisis through Legal and Regulatory Reforms" was organized by the Special Lecture Committee. Mr. Aditya Tiwari, an expert in the area of financial transaction advisory and regulatory dispute resolution in the Fin-Tech Sector was the Resource Person in the event.

4th National Faculty Development Programme 2019: 4th - 10th December 2019

Role reversal is an important aspect of unlearning, learning and re-learning, which is a continuous part of growing as a teacher. Keeping this in mind, School of Law,

Galgotias University organized the 4th National Faculty Development Programme in its continuous effort for upgrading its faculty members.

The programme was organized on the topic of "Legal Research: Innovation and Development" under the guidance of Program Chair, Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad, PVC & Dean, School of Law and the Faculty Co-ordinators, Dr. Sandhya Kumari, Associate Professor; Dr. Mandeep Kumar, Assistant Professor, and Ms. Puja Kumari, Assistant Professor from School of Law, Galgotias University during 4th - 10th December 2019. It was an activity-based programme where there were methodological sessions in the first half, which was put into practice in the second half of the day. It was just not a one-way process of learning rather a multi-pronged process of developing ourselves as faculty members.

Day 1 of the 4th National Faculty Development Program was flagged off by our Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Bajaj. Welcome Address was given by our Respected PVC & Dean, School of Law, Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad. The lecture on Day 1 was delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Afzal Wani, Professor, GGSIPU on the topic "Researching the Subject: Empirical v. Doctrinal".

Day 2 of the Program was initiated by the lecture on "Case Study Method of Legal Research" by Prof. (Dr.) Salim Shamsheer, Dean, School of Finance and Commerce, Galgotias University. The second half of the session on Day 2 of FDP was conducted by Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad, PVC & Dean, School of Law, Galgotias University. He delivered a lecture on the topic "Developing a Hypothesis".

On Day 3, Lecture was delivered on the topic "Literature Review: Formulating the Basis for the Study" by Dr. Rachna Chaudhary, Associate Professor, School of Human Studies, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Delhi. Day 4 and 5 were activity and assignment based, when the participants were developing the Work-in-Progress. Day 6 of FDP 2019 was initiated by the lecture on "Developing Legal Research Methodology" by Prof. (Dr.) Ved Kumari, Professor, Law Centre I, Faculty of Law, Delhi University. A session was undertaken by Prof. (Dr.) Azim B. Pathan, Professor, School of Law, Galgotias University on the topic, "Legal Citation".

Day 7 of FDP 2019 witnessed the presence of Prof. (Dr.) B.T. Kaul, Former Chairperson, Delhi Judicial Academy, and a lecture was delivered on the topic "Case Method of Legal Research". The participants were given Certificates on Day 7 of FDP 2019 during the Valedictory Ceremony by the venerable Prof. (Dr.) B.T. Kaul and Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad.

Faculty Achievements

Prof. (Dr.) Tabrez Ahmad

- Bagged the **Top 50 IP Players Award** in the World IPR Award 2019 by IPR Gorilla a USA based organisation at The IPR Gorilla at Crowne Plaza, Dubai held on 19th - 20th November 2019.
- Awarded Best Keynote Speaker Award for the Lecture on, “**Innovations in Teaching Pedagogy in 21st Century**” in the SIETIIE Indian Innovation & Research Organisation, at National Conference held on 28th - 29th December 2019
- Chaired a session and presided as a Speaker in the “**International Conference on Cyber law, Cybercrime and Cyber Security**” organized by Cyberlaws Net and Pavan Duggal Associates, Advocates, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi on 20th - 22nd November 2019.
- Participated in “**GUCON 2019- The International Conference on Computing, Power & Communication Technologies**”, organised by Galgotias University in Collaboration with IEEE on 27th - 28th September 2019.
- Presented a paper on “**Cybersecurity Breaches: Prospects & Challenges of Cyber forensics, in Cyber regulation, Investigation and Enforcement in India**”, in 4th National Conference on Forensic Science and Cyber threats: Countermeasures, Forensis Agora, Galgotias University, Greater Noida, India held on 30th November - 1st December 2019.
- Panelist during the INBA 8th Annual International Conference, on “**Cybersecurity**”, New Delhi, India on 26th November 2019.
- Participated in the Annual Conference on “**New India: Aspiring \$5 Trillion Economy**”, during the 100 years celebration of ASSOCHAM, at the Vigyan Bhavan New Delhi, 20th December 2019.

Dr. Azimkhan B. Pathan

- Invited as a **Resource Person** in Faculty Development Program on Legal Research and Innovation organized by Galgotias University School of Law on 4th -10th December 2019.

Dr. Faisal Ali Khan

- Presented a paper on **The Judge Made Law in India: A Judicial Activism** at National Seminar on Changing Horizons of Criminal Justice System in India organized by Faculty of Law, Shoolini University in collaboration with Jus Dicere at India International Centre, New Delhi on 21st July 2019.
- Presented a paper on **A Criminal Administration of Justice & Justice Precedent** at International Conference on Criminal Justice System in India: Emerging Trends and organized by Legal Aid Clinic, Department of Law, Maharishi Markandeshwar (Deemed to be) University, Haryana on 27th July 2019.

- Presented a Paper on **“Social Justice Policies of Modi Government”** at International Seminar organized by Satyawati College, Delhi University, Delhi, Dr. Ambedkar Chair in Social Justice, Indian Institute of Public Administration New Delhi and Centre of Policy Research and Governance, New Delhi, on 16th - 17th November 2019.
- Invited as Guest Speaker in the 4th National Conference on **“Forensic Science and Cyber Threats: Counter measures”** organized by Division of Forensic Science, School of Basic and Applied Sciences, Galgotias University, Greater Noida on 30th November - 1st December 2019.
- Published a Research Paper titled **“The Process of Life Long and Continuing Legal Education: A Clinic of Legal Fraternity”** Special Issue on Legal Education, Continuing Legal Education and Clinical Legal Education in Indian Bar Review, Vol. 46 (4) 2019; ISBN: 978-81-931981-0-0; Bar Council of India, New Delhi.

Dr. Shweta Thakur

Awarded Ph.D. degree on the topic, **Impact of Armed Conflict On Environment: A Study in the Context of International & National Legal Regime** from Faculty of Law, Punjab University Chandigarh.

Dr. Sandhya Kumari

- Invited as a resource person to participate in a Round Table on **Reservation of Seats for Women in Parliament and State Legislature** organized by Pranab Mukherjee Foundation and Lloyd Group of Institutions on 17th December 2019.
- Invited as a resource person to judge the India round of **5th Prof. N. R. Madhava Menon SAARCLAW Mooting Competition 2019-20** India Round organized by the Lloyd Law College in collaboration with Menon Institute of Legal Advocacy and Training (MILAT) and Society of Indian Law Firms (SILF) on 19th October 2019.
- Invited as a resource person to participate in the **Round Table on Criminal Law Reforms**, jointly organized by the Menon Institute of Legal Advocacy Training (MILAT) and Lloyd Law College at the Lloyd Law College, Greater Noida on 19th October 2019.
- Participated in the **International Summit for Peace Building and Conflict Resolution** organized by Link Legal India Law Services and Columbia Law School at the Taj Mahal Hotel, Mansingh Road, New Delhi held on 7th - 8th December 2019.

Dr. Namita Singh Malik

- Received Grant for **10th Worldwide GAJE Conference & TOT** and presented a research paper on **Designing of Legal Empowerment Programmes for Women Living In Communities In India, With Specific Reference to Noida** held at University of Pasundan, Bandung, Indonesia on 4th - 10th December 2019.
- Presented a Research Paper on **How Far Practical? A Study of Multi-Dimensional Constraints in Use of DNA Technology In Investigation Of Sexual Offence In India** in International Conference on **“Medico Legal Issues in Forensic Science Investigation”** organized by Legal Desire at Delhi on 22nd July 2019.

- Successfully completed **MOOC Course** on “Social Norms Social Change” offered by University of Pennsylvania in collaboration with UNICEF on 12th August 2019 (Grade 79%).
- Delivered Key note Address in inaugural session of **Dehradun Law Conclave** during in National Seminar on Criminal law & Criminal Justice System at Dehradun, Uttarakhand, India on 17th November 2019.
- Judged 1st National **Moot Court Competition of IIMTSOL** (Group of Institutions), Greater Noida on 18th October 2019.
- Delivered a talk as a panelist in **Panel Discussion on Abolition of Death Penalty** in Delhi Law Conclave organized by Legge Rhythms in collaboration with JIMS Greater Noida on 28th September 2019.
- Judged 2nd National Inter College Debate competition on the theme **International Human Rights are paramount to absolute state sovereignty** organized by Centre of Legal Studies at GIBS College, Rohini Delhi affiliated to GGSIP University on 14th September 2019.
- Delivered guest lecture on **Emerging Issues Related to IVF and Surrogacy Law** at Ideal Institute of Law, affiliated to GGSIP University Delhi on 11th September 2019.

Dr. Mandeep Kumar

- Awarded **Ph.D. Degree** on the topic, Sexual Offence Against Women in India: A Critical Study from Department of Law, Kurukshetra University.
- Published an Article on **Institution Involved in Administration of Justice in Cases of Sexual Violence**, in UGC Care Journal, titled Think India Journal, ISSN No. 0971-1260, Vol 22, No. 22, 2019.
- Presented a paper titled **Institution Involved in Administration of Justice in Cases of Sexual Violence** and secured the **Best Paper Award** at 2nd International Conference & Award Function on Innovative & Practices in Research in Transdisciplinary Areas organized by Rampros Education Society, Hyderabad on 13th October 2019.
- Awarded **RAAGA Global Awards- 2019** (Rampros Achiever Academicians in Global Arena) by Arts & Science College for Women, Osmania University Campus, Hyderabad.
- Presided as a **resource person** in the **International Conference on Innovative & Practices in Research in Transdisciplinary Areas (IPRT- 2019)** organized by J.S. University, Shikohabad on 15th October 2019.

Mr. Kamaljeet Singh

- Published a Research Paper titled **Independence and Accountability: A Critical Analysis** in UGC Care & Peer Reviewed Journal, Think India Journal, ISSN 0971-1260 (2019).
- Published a Research Paper titled **Impact of Competition Law in the Health Care Markets: Time to Protect the Health of Consumers** in the book Legal Dynamics Handbook on Recent Development Trends in Law & Society, Infinity Publishers ISBN 978-93-87910-23-2.

Mr. Nizam Khan

- Paper published on **Regulation of Cross Border Mergers under the Indian Law & Mapping its Impact on the Growth of Indian Companies** in Egyptian Journal of Legal and Economic Studies (EJLES) Vol. 5, Issue 11, ISSN 2356-931X, Pg. 435-453.
- Chapter contribution in an edited book titled **Self-Help Group and Micro-finance: A Strategy for Women Empowerment & Poverty Eradication**, on Mapping the Trajectory of Women Empowerment in Self Help Group Initiatives.
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