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INSTITUTE OF LAW, NIRMA UNIVERSITY

Tug of war (Faculty Event)

Nirma University organized the first Inter Institute Tug of War event for the Faculty as the opening event of the day. This is the match between the Institute of law v. Institute of Technology and Diploma Studies. In which ILNU Faculty team Won by winning the first two rounds in best of three Participants in the event were Dr.Tarkesh Molia, Ranjeeth Thomas, Niteesh Upadhyay, Ravi Saxena, Owais Khan, Nizam Khan, Yogesh Dharangutti, Victor Nayak, Sushant Rochlani, Ms. Madhuri parik, Ms. Sharita Sharma, Dr. Pranav Saraswat.



Placement Cell Activity

Three-Day Professional and Placement Training Workshop at ILNU: Campus Recruitment Committee, Institute of Law Nirma University organized a Three-Day Professional and Placement Training Workshop at ILNU from 29th - 31st May, 2014 for the Graduating Batch 2015. The sessions comprised of the following events:

1. Pre employability Test
2. Expert lectures by Mr. Yashpal Kanwar, Mr. Debanshu Mukherjee and Mr. Debajyoti Das on Facing Interviews, Corporate and Allied Laws and Securities Law
3. Mock Interview Session under the supervision of panel of experts comprising of advocates of Gujarat High Court, Professionals from reputed Law firms, HR experts and academicians. The panel comprised of Mr Utkarsh Jani, Mr Maulik Nanavati, Ms. Anjali Saida, Mr Debajyoti Das, Mr Debanshu Mukherjee, Mr Sushant Rochlani and Ms. Nandini Sinha

The sessions was coordinated by Mr. Saurabh Saraogi and Mr. Victor Nayak.

Forthcoming Events

S.N. Event	Date
1. Orientation Programme for the students admitted to five year integrated programme in Academic year 2014-15 (Batch of 2014-2019)	7- 9 July, 2014
2. 7 th Annual Public Lecture Series Speaker- Prof. (Dr.) Upendra Baxi	26 July, 2014
3. 14 th Henry Dunant Memorial Moot Competition-North Zone (The ISIL and ICRC is delighted to partner with the Institute of Law, Nirma University Ahmedabad, Gujarat, for the North Zone of the 14th Henry Dunant Memorial Moot Competition 2014)	1 - 3 August, 2014
4. National Seminar on "Questioning the Legal Reality"	6 - 7 September, 2014
5. National Conference on "Strengthening Climate Justice Initiatives: Livelihood Challenges at Local Level with a Focus on Farmers"	8- 9 November, 2014

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EVENTS

EXPERT LECTURES

- Ms. Gopi Trivedi, Patent Agent, Partner, Y. J. Trivedi & Company had delivered an expert lecture on the title 'Patent Drafting: Issues and Challenges in India' on 11th April, 2014 at ILNU
- An expert Lecture was delivered by Mr. Saurabh Soparkar, Senior Advocate, High Court of Gujarat on 3rd May 2014, on the topic of 'Winding up process and Comparative study between Companies Act 1956 and 2013'.
- Hon'ble Justice C.K. Thakkar, Judge (Retd.) Supreme Court of India had delivered a lecture on, "Working of Administrative Tribunals in India" on 2nd May, 2014.
- Ms. Kalpana Reddy, First Secretary for Intellectual Property, US Embassy, New Delhi visited ILNU on 2nd April, 2014 and delivered a distinguished guest lecture cum interactive session on "Emerging issues in Intellectual Property Rights".
- Mufti Neam, Mufti, Shariyat Court, Ahmedabad visited ILNU on 9th April, 2014 and delivered a Guest lecture on the "Functioning of Shariyat Court" as a part of the clinical paper of ADR.
- Mr. Dushyant Dave, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India delivered a Lecture on "International Commercial Arbitration in India - Issues & Challenges" to the students of VIII semester as a part of the clinical paper of ADR on 29th April, 2014.



Ms. Gopi Trivedi, Patent Agent, Partner, Y.J. Trivedi & Company expert Lecture



Hon'ble Justice C.K. Thakkar, Judge (Retd.) Supreme Court of India



Ms. Kalpana Reddy



FELICITATION PROGRAMME

Institute of Law, Nirma University, (ILNU) organized its Felicitation Programme on May 13th 2014 to promote, felicitate and celebrate the excellences carved by its students and , faculty members and Student Chairpersons of different committees for their contribution towards institution building. Faculty members who have excelled and brought laurels to the ILNU family were also awarded for their contribution and students were awarded with medals in Literary, Moot Court, Cultural and sports activities.



FACULTY CORNER

Faculty Recognition:

ILNU Faculty members felicitated at ILNU for excellence in research:



Dr. Krishnapal Malik was felicitated at ILNU for publication of two books



Dr. Harmik Vaishnav was felicitated at ILNU for publication of two books and getting into Limca Book of Records.



Mr. Ravi Saxena was felicitated at ILNU for publication of book titled "The Politics of Protest: A Critical Analysis of Dalit Politics and Poetics in India".



Research Projects Completed

Dr. Madhruri Parikh, ILNU completed two research projects funded by Gujarat Ecology Commission, Gandhinagar.

1. A READY REFERENCE HANDBOOK ON COASTAL ZONE REGULATION 1991 FOR GUJARAT ECOLOGY COMMISSION in March 2014. (Minor research Project)
2. A STUDY ON THE CZR ISSUES RELATED AND IMPLEMENTATIONAL ASPECTS IN THE STATE OF GUJARAT. (Major Research Project) in May 2014.



EXPERT LECTURE DELIVERED



Prof (Dr.) Vidhyut Joshi delivered a session on Tribal Studies at Dr. S L Doshi Memorial Lecture Series at Udaipur on 9th May 2014.

Retreat Program:

A Retreat Program was organized on 5th June, 2014. The program was designed to get the overall review of academic year 2013-14, analyze ways and means to strengthen research needs of faculty members, - teaching, learning and evaluation processes and Institutional development needs. The program was divided in three parts:

- 1) Review of Academic Year 2013-14
- 2) Strategic Plan for the ensuing academic year
- 3) Presentation on Teaching - Learning - Evaluation process (sharing of innovations & Best Practices by faculty members.)
- 4) Research Environment- Analysis of Annual Plan of Faculty members & Review of Research

Centers at the Institute: All sessions were interactive with ample structured methods to express and ideate on the above mentioned issues. Three rounds of feedback sessions were followed by presentations on SWOT analysis of the Institute and review of the past academic year with respect to policies and practices at ILNU. Individual and group activities helped to evolve a broad consensus and panoramic view about the way forward in Institutional development.



Students' Achievement:

- Ronit Joy, got the best delegate award at the HL College of commerce at Ahmedabad 14th-15th March, 2014.

Paper Presentation

- Tabish Samdani & Soumya Kapoor presented a Research Paper titled "Corporate Social Responsibility mandate as per New Companies Act, 2013: Opportunities & Challenges" in National Seminar on Emerging Trends in Corporate Governance: Legal Issues & Challenges in India on 11th-12th April 2014 organized by Amity Law School (IP University), New Delhi.

RESEARCH CENTRE ACTIVITIES

RESEARCH CENTRE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

Dr. Prof. Purvi Pokhariyal, Director IL-NU, Chief executive of the JCSJ Journal, unveiled the debut issue of the Journal of Centre for Social Justice, Institute of Law Nirma University (JCSJ). Journal is published with ISSN No 2348 – 599X on May 13th 2014, ILNU. Dr. Monica Rao and Mr. Victor Nayak are editors of the journal and student's board is consisting of Ms. Juhi Talati (Student Chairperson), Mr. Vinay Vats, Ms. Harshal Gupta, Mr. Navshesh Bikram Kshetri, Ms. Amrita Joshi, Ms. Saumya Shaji.

RESEARCH CENTRE FOR ADR

ADR National Research Paper Writing Competition:

Centre for ADR, ILNU organised its 1st ADR National Research Paper Writing Competition on the theme "International Commercial Arbitration in India: Problems and Prospects". Leading Law firm in India, Khaitan & Co. was the exclusive Law Firm Partner with Centre for ADR in this Competition. Other partner to this Competition were Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, India and Wolters Kluwer as knowledge partner. This Competition received overwhelming response from the students' fraternity across the country and around 40 research papers were received from 51 participants in total. This event was co-ordinated by Mr. Rohit Moonka.

National Symposium on International Commercial Arbitration in India: Problems and Prospects

Centre for ADR, ILNU organized a one day National Symposium on International Commercial Arbitration in India: Problems and Prospects on 10th May, 2014. There were four sub-theme on this broad theme which are:

- Challenges for Bilateral Investment Treaties and issues related to investment arbitration
- Judicial Intervention in Arbitral process: Analysis post BALCO v Kaiser Aluminium judgement
- Enforcement and Recognition of International Arbitral Awards in India: Issues and Challenges
- International Arbitration Tribunals in India: Future Opportunities and Challenges

Experts such as Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ravi R. Tripathi (Judge, High Court of Gujarat), Shri Shishir K. Dholakia (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India), Mr. Sanjeev Kapoor (Litigation Partner, Khaitan & Co.), Mr. Chandrakant Kamdar (Hon. Secretary, CI Arb, India), Mr. Avdhoot Sumant (Senior Advocate, Gujarat High Court) were invited as keynote speakers to speak on these sub-themes. Inaugural function was presided by Dr. Anup K. Singh (Director General, Nirma University). This event was co-ordinated by Mr. Rohit Moonka.



Release of debut issue of Journal of Centre for Social Justice



National Symposium



National Symposium



Educational Visits

- Visit to Mega Lok Adalat:** 220 students of Institute of Law, Nirma University on 14th April, 2014 visited and observed the proceedings of Mega Lok Adalat organised by various Legal Services Authority at Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Gheekanta, Ahmedabad, District (Rural) Court, Mirzapur, Ahmedabad, City Civil Court, Ahmedabad, Family Court, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar District Court. The purpose of this visit was to observe and understand the proceedings of Lok Adalats as a part of the clinical paper of ADR. This field visit was co-ordinated by Mr. Rohit Moonka
- Conference attended:** Mr. Rohit Moonka and Mr. Devang Chhtrapati along with 40 students from IPR Honours Group of Institute of Law, Nirma University participated in One day Conference on Innovation, Patents and Trade Secrets for MSMEs in IT/ITES Sector which was organised by Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar in collaboration with Intel Technology India Pvt. Ltd at Gandhinagar, Gujarat on 5th April, 2014. This visit was co-ordinated by Mr. Rohit Moonka.

Arbitration Training Workshop

Arbitration Training Workshop was organised on 9th May, 2014 at ILNU. This workshop explored the practical aspects of arbitration through mock arbitral session and simulation exercises to make the students aware about the practical nitty-gritty applied and adopted in International/domestic arbitration procedure and issues related thereto and provided practical understanding to the students about the overall functioning of the Arbitration proceedings.

This workshop was conducted by Mr. Avdhoot Sumant, Senior Advocate along with his team of Arbitrators. This event was co-ordinated by Mr. Rohit Moonka.



EXTENSION ACTIVITY

Legal awareness program for under-trial prisoners: Institute of Law, Nirma University elevated a step towards legal awareness project under the Legal Aid Clinic by organizing a legal awareness program for under-trial prisoners at Sabarmati Central Jail, Ahmedabad on 3rd May, 2014. Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.J. Desai, Judge, High Court of Gujarat, Chief Guest of the function graced the occasion along with R.S. Bhagora, Superintendent Sabarmati Jail and Shri Kambodiya, Senior Jailor, Ahmedabad, Dr. Madhuri Parikh, faculty Nirma University and Dr. K.P. Malik, faculty Convener Legal Aid Clinic. ILNU students perform Drama on the above said topics including mime act fun filled dramas to which the prisoners cheered up and found solutions to their problems. Hon'ble

Mr. Justice A.J. Desai enlightened the prisoners about the concepts of bail, plea bargaining, probation and legal aid and educated them about the concept of Legal Aid. He was appreciative of the efforts of Legal Service Authority and Nirma University towards granting legal aid to the prisoners through a clinic in the Jail premises. Mr. Kambodiya, Senior Jailor spoke about the importance of good behavior in the prison and how the prisoners can take benefit of the provisions discussed by the students through skits performed by them. The prison authority has also requested the institute to arrange similar programs in other central jails of the State, as it is best way to aware the under-trial prisoners on their issues.



CULTURAL ACTIVITY



VIBES'14

Student Welfare Board of Institute of Law, Nirma University, organized its first ever Annual National Cultural and Sports Festival – VIBES'14. It started with a vibrant Flash Mob performed by its students followed by rolling of posters of VIBES from the terrace of the Institute. Over 200 teams for different events from various universities across the country participated in the fest.

Over 30 events from Antakshri, dance events, singing, drama to war of bands and Fashion show were organized by the Student Welfare Board. Participation was immense and active throughout the event filled with vigor and enthusiasm by the organizers and participants. The events were judged by professionals. The Social partners of VIBES were- Make a Difference and AASMAAN.

AASMAN-the NGO conducted a photo booth with all its trendy props. The attraction of the day was the event of Nukkad Natak which portrayed beautifully the ranging social issues like drug abuse, women empowerment, Flawed education system etc. The night was studded with War of Bands with more than 10 bands performing and ramp walk at the prnight. On Sunday, MAD will put a dream tee stall in the premises of ILNU. The event concluded on the night of 13th April with War of Djs and MTV-the youth partner of VIBES hosting its ROCK THE VOTE CAMPAIGN.

SPORTS CORNER



The Institute of Law, Nirma University did a splendid performance in the Inter-Institute "Annual Sports Day Celebration – 2013-14" during 13th-14th Feb, 2014. Institute of Law was showered by trophies this time again and set a record of trophies won by single Institute. Whether it be relay race or 1500 m race or shot put or long jump. The following Students are the winners of various sports events:

- **Discuss Throw**

- Girls :**
Khyati Malik (2nd position)
- Boys**
Krishna Sharma (1st position)
Aseem Diddee (2nd position)

- **Shotput**

- Girls**
Sonal Joshi (1st position)
Khyati Malik (2nd position)
- Boys**
Krishna Sharma (1st position)

- **Javelin Throw**

- Girls**
Surbhi Pareek (3rd position)

- **4X100 m Relay Race**

- Girls (1st position)**
Surbhi Parakh
Khyati Malik
Himani Makkad
Surbhi Pareek
- Boys (1st position)**
Kamlendra Pratap Singh
Saransh Trivedi

- Akshay Dixit
Aseem Diddee
- **100 m Race**
Girls
Surbhi Parakh (1st position)
Boys
Aseem Diddee (2nd position)
- **Long Jump**
Girls
Surbhi Pareek (Gold)
Sonal Joshi (Silver)
- **1500 m Race**
Boys
Gaurav Yadav (1st position)
- **800 m Race**
Boys
Gaurav Yadav (1st position)

UNIVERSITY LEVEL NON ATHELETIC EVENT RESULT- ILNU 13-14 MARCH 2014

Team Events

- Cricket (boys) 1st Runner up
- Football (boys) Winner of Inter Institute
- Tug of War (boys) 1st Runner up
- Tug of War (girls) Winner of Inter Institute
- Table Tennis 1st Runner up

